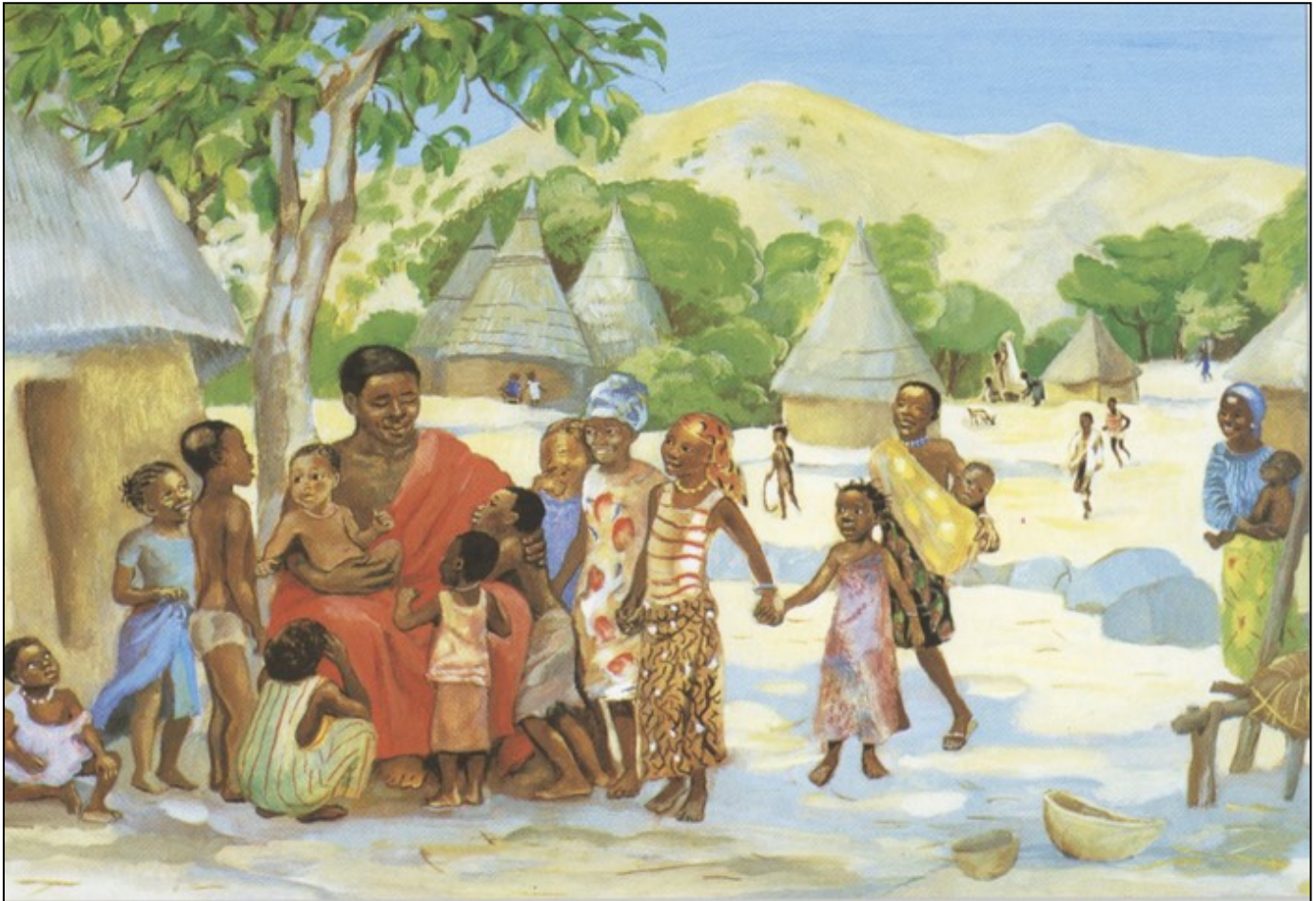




# FAIRMOUNT

PRESBYTERIAN Church

Sunday, September 19th  
11:00am



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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

*Prelude in G sharp minor WTC book 1F.*

*Konrad Binienda, piano  
Bach*

### WELCOME

Rev. Jessie MacMillan, Interim Senior Pastor

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

 Kate McFadden, Director of Youth & Adult Faith Formation

One: If you are weak and in need of strength,  
if you are feeling fragile, or vulnerable,  
know that you are welcome here,  
know that Christ beckons you here,  
know that you are loved here.

All: **We come to worship like children, ready to rest in God's arms.**

### \*HYMN 305

*Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

DARWALL'S 148TH

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Wrean Fiebig

Jesus said, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Let us humble ourselves before God and confess our sins as individuals and as a community.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, we commit ourselves to service, but fail to have a servant's heart. We seek social status, not sacrifice. We welcome worldly success, not the humble path of Christ. Forgive us, we pray. Free us from the pressures of the world that keep us jockeying for position. Help us be servants of all. Amen.**

**KYRIE:** Hymn 576

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:30-37

### SERMON

"When Jesus Enters the House"

Rev. Jessie MacMillan

### SOLO

*You Raise Me Up*

*Rachel Pollock, soloist*

### MOMENT FOR MISSION:

Karen Dakin

William Birkett Williams Lecture - Dr. Joshua Bennett Presentation

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Wrean Fiebig

**Holy God, we gratefully present these gifts and entrust them to the power of Christ's ministry. May these gifts bear the Good News of the gospel to the least and the last. May these gifts be signs of our welcome to the most vulnerable among us. Bless our offerings so they might provide healing and hope. Amen.**

(baskets located at sanctuary entrances, or online at our website

<https://fpccle.org/giving-and-stewardship/>)

## WELCOME!

Fairmount Presbyterian Church warmly welcomes everyone to worship today! Check in to this Sunday's worship service - whether you are in the pews of our sanctuary, chapel, or watching online at home - we want to hear from you! Using your smart phone or tablet, simply scan the QR code.



## CARING FOR ALL

In accordance with CDC guidelines, and in order to caretake for the most vulnerable in our community, we ask that you wear your mask at all times while inside the church building, with the exception of partaking in Communion. In the sanctuary every other pew is roped off to encourage physical distancing and we will be passing the peace from our seats. Thank you for helping us ensure the health and safety of all members of our community.

## AUTUMN SERMON THEME

During the fall worship services and throughout Advent, we will be exploring themes of HOME in the spiritual life. The stories of the Bible can help us connect with our own wanderings and longings toward home, as well as the church's call to provide shelter and nurture for the people of God.

## CANDLE ON THE TABLE

The candle on the communion table is lit in solidarity with individuals and communities experiencing the effects of gun violence.

**DOXOLOGY**, Hymn 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts.  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**\*HYMN 770** I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table

**CARING FOR COMMUNITY**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**\*HYMN 772** Live Into Hope

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Intermezzo Opus 118 No. 2 in A major

**LASST UNS ERFREUEN**

**WELCOME TABLE**

Kate McFadden

**TRURO**

Konrad Binienda, organ  
Brahms

**HYMN 305**

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!  
This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988–1989 observance, which had the theme "Celebrate the Journey." The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.

**HYMN 770**

The image of a great feast showing God's welcome of all people was part of Jewish tradition (Isaiah 25:6–9) and underlies Jesus' parable of the Great Banquet (Luke 14:15–24). Such equality remains as unknown to many people today as it was to the slaves who created this spiritual.

**HYMN 772**

This text on Luke 4:16–20, the author's first, was written for the United Presbyterian Women's National Meeting in July 1976 because the team planning worship could not find a suitable hymn on that passage. She wrote the words with this vigorous 18th-century tune in mind.

Sound recording and production by Jason Jedlicka

Sound booth volunteers- Mike Chevraux, Grant Gannon and Caleb Stripes

The Sanctuary flowers today are generously donated in loving memory of

Clay Herrick - Alice Meriam Herrick  
Wendell Herrick - Elizabeth Fackler Herrick Cozier  
Meriam Clay Herrick (Bud) – Helen Bolly Herrick  
Gertrude Herrick Myers  
James Herrick  
Clay Herrick, Jr. – Ruth Penty Herrick

### Online Sanctuary

Are you unable to get to church? Do you miss your Fairmount community? Come worship with us in the Online Sanctuary! Peter and Brenda Horth will be hosting a zoom worship meeting during the livestream on Sunday mornings at 11:00am. There will be time for greeting before and after worship as well. If you need technical help or have questions, contact Brenda Horth at [brendamhorth@gmail.com](mailto:brendamhorth@gmail.com).

#### Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85628648447?  
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Meeting ID: 856 2864 8447

Passcode: 423623

### Thank you to all our amazing Sunday Volunteers!

Usher Team: Todd Imbler, Megan Bennett, Liz Boncella, Mike Chevraux, Bob Olson, Bryan Seekely

8:30am Communion Team: Nate Kruse, Jean Sylak, Stephanie Washlock, Alice Weiner

Office Team: Jan Spalding

### Worship Announcements

#### Prayer Requests

If you would like your prayer listed in our weekly Fairmount Prayer List which is sent to our prayer community, fill out the form at <https://fpccle.org/prayer-request-form/>. You can also call or email Pastor Lindsay, ([lindsayhl@fpccle.org](mailto:lindsayhl@fpccle.org), 216-321-5800 ext. 105) with prayer concerns or to talk to a Pastor.

#### Going Forth: Offering Our Gifts and Our Lives to God

With gratitude for the grace we have received, we go forth from worship to offer our energy, our hands, and part of our income in service to God. One way we respond to Christ's call is by giving our financial gifts to further God's mission in the world. You may mail a check to the church or make an online offering to support the many ministries of Fairmount Presbyterian Church by clicking the Giving tab on the homepage of our website ([www.fpccle.org](http://www.fpccle.org)).

#### Service by Phone

We want to let you know of a new way you can connect to our weekly worship services – by phone! All you have to do is call 216-255-9353 around noon on Sundays and you will be able to hear a recording of our Sunday worship service.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### New Member Class Coming in the Fall

Please contact Pastor Jessie, [jmacmillan@fpccle.org](mailto:jmacmillan@fpccle.org), if you are interested in exploring what it means to be a Jesus follower...Presbyterian style.

### Pastor Led Bible Study on Zoom from 9am - 9:50 am on Thursday mornings.

We are studying the book of Acts. No preparation necessary. Email Pastor Jessie at [@jmacmillan@fpccle.org](mailto:@jmacmillan@fpccle.org) if you would like to join.

### Stewardship Update

Fairmount Family, your generosity is wonderful and a clear testament to the strength and fellowship at this church! Thank you for all the ways you give. As we head into September, we are planning for the 2022 Stewardship campaign, but it is not too late to pledge and give for 2021. As of now, we have received about \$557,000 in pledges for 2021, which was short of our goal of \$710,000. The good news is that almost 70% of pledges have been fulfilled. Additionally, non-pledge giving has been strong, and for that we are grateful. If you are interested in making a pledge for the balance of 2021, or simply donating to the operating fund online right now, please visit <https://fpccle.org/giving-and-stewardship/>. See you at church!

### PNC Update

In the time since our last report, your Pastor Nominating Committee has been hard at work. We have:

- Received final approval from the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry of the "Ministry Information Form", which is a document that is read by prospective candidates to tell them who Fairmount is
- Established a process for reviewing prospective candidates' Personal Information Forms
- Held in-depth conversations around the criteria that we will use to guide our process
- Reviewed the Personal Information Forms of over 50 candidates

The PNC is thankful for your continued prayers as we continue our search.

### Fairmount Welcomes Nationally Renowned Poet-Professor Dr. Joshua Bennett Sunday, October 3rd, at 4:00pm

Fairmount Presbyterian Church, as part of the William Birkett Williams Memorial Lecture series, presents Dr. Joshua Bennett, Professor of English and Creative Writing at Dartmouth College. Dr. Joshua Bennett is the author of four books of poetry and criticism: *The Sobbing School* (Penguin, 2016)—winner of the National Poetry Series and a finalist for an NAACP Image Award—as well as *Being Property Once Myself* (Harvard University Press, 2020), *Owed* (Penguin, 2020), and *The Study of Human Life* (Penguin, 2022). Earlier this year, Joshua received a Guggenheim Fellowship and a Whiting Award for Poetry and Nonfiction. He lives in Massachusetts with his wife and son, Pam and August, and their family dog, Apollo 5.



Read about Dr. Joshua Bennett's poetry publications and watch his performances & presentations.

Visit <https://www.drjoshuabennett.com>.

Dr. Joshua Bennett is the author of four books of poetry and criticism including: *The Sobbing School* (Penguin, 2016) and *Owed* (Penguin, 2020). Dr. Bennett's books can be found at most major book retailers, and you can also order these two books locally through Mac's Backs Books, located at 1820 Coventry Rd. in the Coventry Village of Cleveland Heights. Visit <https://www.macsbacks.com/joshua-bennett>.

You will find a table in Andersen Hall where Fairmount members will be discussing the Dr. Bennet's upcoming event, and you will have the opportunity to purchase two of his poetry books.

Do you plan on attending our presentation with Dr. Joshua Bennett at Fairmount Presbyterian Church. Let us know by filling out the October 3rd - Dr. Joshua Bennett RSVP form - <https://bit.ly/october3atFPC>.

Fairmount will also be live-streaming Dr. Bennet's presentation on our [website](#), our [Facebook page](#) and our [YouTube channel](#).

### **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance: *Out of Chaos, Hope***

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is mobilized and already delivering immediate aid to those impacted by Hurricane Ida. The initial assessment of the damage is staggering. The needs of those impacted is changing daily because of lack of access to power, refrigeration, water and housing. This will be a long-term commitment to the people impacted by this catastrophic destruction.

PDA will continue to work with Presbyterian leadership to respond to Hurricane Ida and remain engaged in the recovery efforts during the hurricane season of 2021, during which several named storms are expected to impact the region. After initial needs are addressed, PDA will remain — providing emotional and spiritual care and Long-Term Recovery to address unmet needs.

We invite you to join in this effort. The needs for the response will be great. God's people are called on to stand in the "GAP" – Give. Act. Pray. Visit <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/hurricane-ida/> to join in this effort.

### **Benefit for AMIS**

Fairmount friends are invited to **Cultural Connections 2.0** on Sunday, September 26, 2021, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. to support Americans Making Immigrants Safe, providing hope and a sense of community to Northeast Ohio families with roots in Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of Congo, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Jordan, and Mexico. This is the organization supporting our church apartment resident Jonas! Join AMIS to celebrate the second anniversary of AMIS and the vibrant cultures of our extended family. In addition to the ticket purchase donation, we'll also have our exciting "fund-a-need" donation opportunity to support the immigrants that we serve. Immigrant needs are as critical as ever. Thankfully, your donation will have twice the impact this year! An anonymous donor will match dollar for dollar the first \$10,000 we raise during this event.

Visit [amisohio.org](http://amisohio.org) or [bit.ly/CultureConnect2021](http://bit.ly/CultureConnect2021) to learn more and register!

### **Flock Tending**

As part of the Deacons' service, we are looking to mobilize people to periodically check in with every member of our congregation. This is one way we seek to build church community, involve all members, and strengthen the ties that connect us as a church. Can you, and will you, answer the call to take on this role?

- **Commitments:** A training session with the Pastors and then having an informal individual conversation, typically by phone, with approximately 10 individuals, twice a year.
- **Purpose:** To ensure each member or friend of the congregation has a connection to the church. These connections will include having conversations, connecting members to ways they can be more involved in the church, and becoming a known and friendly voice and face of Fairmount.

If you're interested in responding to this call, please reach out to Pastor Lindsay at [lindsayhl@fpcclle.org](mailto:lindsayhl@fpcclle.org) or 216-321-5800 ext. 105.

### **Braille Books/ Touch and Tell**

We are working together again at Fairmount Temple, the third Wed., beginning Aug. 18th from 9:30-11:30. We are making interactive alphabet books for the pre-school class at The Sight Center. We will wear masks and social distance. If you can use scissors and glue we need you. Any questions? Please contact Hedy at [hedywestra@ameritech.net](mailto:hedywestra@ameritech.net).

### **Greater Cleveland Food Bank**

We have a small but mighty Fairmount group who help at the Food Bank the second Monday of the month from 9-12. We wear masks and social distance while packing light food items into boxes and we will soon be packing lunch bags again. We do not lift heavy boxes. We have a 15 minute break half way through the shift and when it ends we are told how many pounds have been packed. It is very satisfying to know we are joining our efforts with others to feed thousands of our neighbors. We are Tuni Chilcote, Wrean Fiebig, Melda Graves, Carol Giltz, Dottie Henry, Stephanie Jackson and Hedy Westra. If you are interested in helping please contact Hedy at [hedywestra@ameritech.net](mailto:hedywestra@ameritech.net) to register.

### **Our Republic of Congo Guest**

Our Republic of Congo guest, Jonas, is looking for odd jobs to earn money. Jonas is a hard-worker and a wonderful young man. He has worked with my neighbors gardening and many other needed tasks. Call or email: Jean Sylak (216-905-8853, [jsylak@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jsylak@sbcglobal.net)) to discuss your needs.



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## Fairmount Presbyterian Church Leadership

### Session

Clerk of Session, Bourbon Zeigler  
Matt Hrubey, Treasurer

#### Class of 2021

Carol Adrine  
Raleigh Duttweiler  
Gordon Landefeld  
Stephanie  
Washlock

#### Class of 2022

David Bosler  
Keith Mills  
Sarah Pope  
Peg Zitzner

#### Class of 2023

Megan Bennett  
Grant Gannon  
Todd Imbler  
Chin-Tai Kim

### Deacons

#### Class of 2021

Peter Bush,  
Mary Ann Conn-Brody  
Kathy Imbler  
Martha Lee  
Joyce Pope  
Judy Steehler  
Julia Swanson

#### Class of 2022

Denise Benton  
Susan Kent  
John Kieger  
Nate Kruse  
Nana Landgraf  
Sarah Stone

### Endowment Trustees

#### Class of 2021

Deanna Campbell  
Ian Murphy

#### Class of 2022

Doris Evans  
Mark Eisele

#### Class of 2023

Tom Roulston  
John Zitzner

### At Large Nominating Committee

Jim Dakin  
Doris Evans (Trustee)  
Susan Kent (Deacon)  
Nate Kruse (Deacon)  
Kevin Petru

Christina Seekely  
Jean Sylak  
Barbara MacWilliams  
Peg Zitzner (Elder)

### Personnel Committee

Amy Carlson  
Gina Kashuk  
Nate Kruse  
Os Mills

Elder Keith Mills  
Elder Sarah Pope  
Elder Vanessa Whiting (chair)

### Pastor Nominating Committee

Carol Adrine  
Peter Bush  
Mike Chevraux  
Raleigh Smith Duttweiler  
Bill Leahy

Sarah Stone  
Vanessa Whiting  
Rev. Arvid Whitmore,  
*Presbytery Liaison*

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