

Sunday, October 3, 2021 11:00am



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Etude Opus 10 No. 7

Konrad Binienda, piano by F. Chopin

WELCOME Rev. Lindsay Harren-Lewis, Associate Pastor

*CALL TO WORSHIP

All:

One: To our siblings all over the world, we will share of your glory;

O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name!

One: From our siblings all over the world,

we will listen to the stories they share of you. O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name!

One: In the great congregation, together we will sing your praise;

Let us worship God!

UYAI MOSE *HYMN 388 (sung twice) Come All You People

CALL TO CONFESSION

Christina Seekely Jesus loves us with steadfast tenderness;

Therefore, let us confess our sins to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You gave us commandments, God of love, because you know the hardness of our hearts. You have created us to live in community, and still we oppress others and separate ourselves from each other and from you. Forgive us, and call us to faithfulness. Bind all your children together as siblings, and nurture us with your love and forgiveness, that we might share what we have been given, and receive your kingdom with wonder and gratitude. in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

KYRIE: Hymn 576

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

Siblings in Christ,

the promise of our faith is that whoever turns to Jesus Christ will never hunger for forgiveness. That is a promise of joy and peace. May the peace of Christ be with you all.

MUSICAL PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: Hymn 454

Sam Wetzel, soloist Take the Saving Word of God DAWK'YAH TOWGYAH

SCRIPTURE READINGS John 14:1-3

2 Thessalonians 3:16

SERMON Rev. Lindsay Harren-Lewis

HYMN 508 Come to the Table COME TO THE TABLE

MINUTE FOR MISSION Jean Sylak, AIMS

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.

HEARING ASSISTANCE

We have Loop capabilities and assisted listening devices available for the sanctuary. Hearina Assistance devices are available from an usher.

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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Jessie MacMillan, Interim Senior Pastor

Offering baskets are located at sanctuary entrances, or you can give online at our website.

DOXOLOGY, Hymn 609

LASST UNS FREREUEN

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!

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE PEOPLE ARE SERVED

SOLO Sam Wetzel
"Secretos" by Konrad Binienda, Lyrics by Dr. Zofia Johannsen O'Shea

SECRETOS

Un misterio tan profundo
Gran Dios Creador del mundo,
El mismo desciende a hombre
Y lo trata como un hermano.
Corazones rotos y débiles,
Cuando se vuelven hacia Dios,
Son penetrados por rayos
De la fuente del gran amor.
El amor de Dios nos ha creado,
Grande e incomprensible,
Es un amor que nos redime
Ella rechaza el pecado de la
mascota.

Que la eterna misericordia revelada al hombre Cuando las palabras pienso poco Las cortinas se abren Estas verdades han sido conocidas

por siglos

Recuperan fuerza y vida en nosotros Cuando le pagamos tributo a la misericordia de Dios con gran gozo. **SECRETS**

A mystery so deep Almighty God, Creator of the world, Alone, descends to man And treats him like a brother.

Broken and weak hearts,
Turned to God in trust,
They are penetrated by rays
From the source of the greatest love.

We are made from God's love, Magnificent and incomprehensible. It is love that redeemed us rejecting sin's shackles.

For the Eternal Mercy Revealed to mankind, When words and thoughts are small, The curtain opens.

These truths have been known for centuries
They regain strength and life in us,
When we pay homage to God's
Mercy in joyful delight.

CANDLE ON THE TABLE

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

HYMN 388

This short gathering song (based on a text adapted from Psalm 95:6) is a great favorite among children in Zimbabwe, and it is frequently used as a processional song for worship. The choir enters singing, the congregation picks up their excitement, and soon all are singing.

HYMN 454

This brief sacred song comes from a Native American tradition now centered in Oklahoma and the Texas panhandle. As often happens when moving between languages, the English text cannot retain the structure of the original but tries to convey its essential spirit and intention.

HYMN 508

This Korean text accomplishes a rare feat in a Lord's Supper hymn by dealing with the full range of Christ's life from the Nativity to the Resurrection. The first and third stanzas are in the voice of the congregation, while the middle stanza recalls Christ's words of institution.

HYMN 538

Originally created in the Sotho language, this ecstatic South African hymn reached English by way of a Swedish translation and is now found in numerous hymnals. It can serve as a powerful sending hymn for connecting what happens at the Lord's Table with our mission in the world.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in E minor

Konrad Binienda, piano by Pachelbel

Sound recording and production by Jason Jedlicka

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.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85628648447?pwd=ZFBmMytFTFhzQlZJMzFmRlo1Q1q0QT09

Meeting ID: 856 2864 8447

Passcode: 423623

Thank you to all our amazing Sunday Volunteers!

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

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

8:30am Communion Team: Mary Giffin, Nate Kruse, Jean Sylak, Stephanie Washlock, Alice Weiner, Hedy Westra

Office/Building Team: Vicki Mentrek, 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, 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).

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

Today at 4:00pm! Fairmount Welcomes Nationally Renowned Poet-Professor Dr. Joshua Bennett

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. Fairmount will also be live-streaming Dr. Bennet's presentation on our website, our <a href="memorial Lecture series, presents Dr. Joshua Bennett is the author of the National Poetry Poetry Once Myself (Harvard University Press, 2020), Owed (Penguin, 2016)—winner of the National Poetry Poetry Once Myself (Harvard University Press, 2020), Owed (Penguin, 2020), and The Study of Human Life (Penguin, 2022). Earlier this year, Joshua Poetry Press, 2020), Owed (Penguin, 2020), and The Study of Human Life (Penguin, 2022). Earlier this year, Joshua Poetry Press, 2020), Owed (Penguin, 2020), and The Study of Human Life (Penguin, 2016). Earlier this year, Joshua Poetry Press, 2020), owed (Penguin, 2020), and The Study of Human Life (Penguin, 2016). Earlier this year, Joshua Poetry Press, 2020), owed (Penguin, 2020), and The Study of Human Life (Penguin, 2016). Earlier this year, Joshua Poetry Press, 2020), owed (Penguin, 2020), owed (Penguin, 2020), and The Study of Human Life (Penguin, 2022). Earlier this year, Joshua Poetry Press, 2020), owed (Penguin, 2020), owed (Penguin, 2020), owed (Penguin, 2020), owed (Penguin, 2

Building God's Household of Peace - Peace & Global Witness Offering 2021

Sunday, October 3rd during worship

The Peace & Global Witness Offering offers light to those in the shadows and guides us all into the ways of peace. We come together as the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and around the world. 25% of this offering will be given locally to support the work of AMIS, and 25% with mid councils to unite congregations to support peacemaking in their regions. The remaining 50% is used by the Presbyterian Mission Agency to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness. Stay tuned in the coming days to learn more about how Fairmount will use the donations to further peace in our community. WAYS TO GIVE:

- 1. Through your congregation
- 2. Donate by credit card online at http://pcusa.org/peace-global
- 3. Text PEACE to 20222 to give \$10

Greater Cleveland Congregations Mayoral Forum

Greater Cleveland Congregations invites you to this Virtual Action on **Thursday**, **October 7th**, **2021**, **at 6:30pm**. The city of Cleveland will have its first new mayor in 16 years. This is a pivotal time. The candidates will be there, so let's show up! This is our moment to shape our issues and

show our power to the next mayor of Cleveland! Register for this event at https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tzArce2uqT4jGN0k1 VZXVW6GAlJueJ6ZMCX

When registration requests "Organization," just fill in "Fairmount Presbyterian."

Fairmount Welcomes the Duffy Liturgical (DuffyLit) Dance Ensemble Sunday, October 10th at 3:30pm

Fairmount Presbyterian is proud to host the Duffy Liturgical (DuffyLit) Dance Ensemble for a second time. We welcome anyone who is willing to attend, or watch live on Sunday, October 10th at 3:30 PM.

The mission of the DuffyLit Dance Ensemble is to research, preserve and perform the American Negro Spiritual and to educate the community about this art form. Their classes and performances inform audiences about the influence the Spiritual and its refractions (blues, gospel, jazz) have had on social change, social justice and the cultural development of the United States of America.

Children and youth who attend classes at DuffyLit Studio develop respect, self esteem and garner pride in their American Cultural Heritage. DuffyLit is dedicated to improving the quality of life through performance of the Spiritual and application to everyday life of its universal message of faith, hope, optimism, and perseverance.

Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry Conversation - Wednesday, October 13th, at 7:00 pm

We are excited to welcome Marcella Brown, Vice President for Development & Communications of Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries on Wednesday, October 13 for a Zoom conversation! She will be talking about the ministries of LMM, as well as giving a presentation about their Breaking New Ground Campaign, which addresses renovation for affordable housing in Cleveland. Join us to hear more about this incredible project and to ask any questions you might have about it. Zoom details to come in the E-News and bulletin prior to the event.

AMIS (Americans Making Immigrants Safe) - Sunday, October 17 at 9:45 am

Attorney Brian Hoffman and Anne Hill will make a presentation on immigration. Brian will speak about the law and what is happening now with immigration reform. Anne will talk about the local work with Heights Friends of Immigrants and AMIS. Q&A period to follow. All are welcome.

2022 Stewardship

This will always be my home; this is what I want, and I'm here for good. I'll shower blessings on the pilgrims who come here, and give supper to those who arrive hungry...the holy people will sing their hearts out!

Psalm 132:14-15

Hello Fairmounters! Our theme for the 2022 Stewardship Campaign is Reaffirming Our Home. As you have seen, the community at Fairmount has been doing so much to welcome each other back, in person as well as virtually. We are making improvements to the inside and outside of the Church, developing wonderful programming, and finding ways to be together. Each year we ask for your pledges for the following calendar year on Gratitude Sunday. This year Gratitude Sunday is on October 24th! And to make that date even more special, we will have a Fall Festival (called Harvest Home Festival) after church, to enjoy each other's company. Pledge cards will be sent to your home in the next couple of weeks. Please bring your pledge card on October 24th, or you can call the church office or visit here to make a pledge: https://fpccle.org/giving-and-stewardship/ Thank you for all the wonderful ways you give!

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.

New Member Class Coming in the Fall

Please contact Pastor Jessie, <u>imacmillan@fpccle.org</u>, 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 if you would like to join.

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, isylak@sbcalobal.net to discuss your needs.

The Congregational Nominating Committee

The Congregational Nominating Committee is looking for individuals to serve as Elders (3 year term) and Deacons (2 year term). You are welcome to nominate yourself or another member of the congregation. Please contact Elder Peg Zitzner with questions or nominees by October 15. peg.zitzner@gmail.com

Elder Expectations: Elders have a strong faith, a willingness to wrestle with important questions, and a passion for the church. Elders are the spiritual leaders of the congregation, who with the pastors seek to lead the congregation into God's future. At their meetings elders pray for the congregation, seek God's guidance and wisdom through discussion and study, act on Council initiatives, and conduct the necessary business of the church. During their three-year term, elders serve on one of the four Councils providing leadership and ensuring that each Council remains connected to church's vision and values.

Practical Requirements:

- Provide spiritual leadership for the church.
- Communicate with congregation members regarding vision and direction of church.
- Pray for the congregation as part of the Prayer Chain Ministry, seeking God's wisdom and guidance as you lead the church.
- Attend Session meetings on the first Wednesday of month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.*
- Attend Council Meetings on the third Wednesday of the month.
- Make every effort to attend the annual Session Retreat, date to be determined, that will be in place of regularly scheduled meeting.
- Provide leadership to one of the four Councils (Service, Faith Formation, Administration, Care). First year elders serve as secretary of council; second year elders as vice moderator; and third year elder as moderator.
- Elders may also be expected to serve in other capacities as needed, such as nominating co-chairs, presbytery representatives, and/or members of Personnel.
- Make a pledge to support the work and ministry of the church.

Deacon Expectations: Deacons exhibit a strong faith, a dedication to discipleship, an ability to connect with others, and a passion for sharing the love of Jesus to all people.

The office of deacon as set forth in scripture is one of sympathy, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ. During their two-year terms, deacons, through their work on the Care Council, coordinate the important caring ministries of the church. They also pray for those in need, contribute financially to the church, and regularly attend worship. Through prayer, study, and discussion, deacons seek the guidance of the Spirit, as they work with the three elders on the Care Council to ensure that everyone connected to our congregation is experiencing the love and grace of God.

Practical Requirements:

- Pray weekly for the congregation through the Prayer Team ministry.
- Attend the regular meeting of the Care Council on the third Wednesday.
- Take responsibility for coordinating the following ministries:
- Visitation
- Congregational Care
- Fellowship including greeting
- Preparing and serving Communion
- Flower Delivery
- Make an annual pledge in support of the mission and ministry of the church.

Fairmount Presbyterian Church Leadership

Session

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Class of 2022 David Bosler Keith Mills Sarah Pope Peg Zitzner

Class of 2023 Megan Bennett Grant Gannon Todd Imbler Chin-Tai Kim

Class of 2021 Peter Bush, Mary Ann Conn-Brody Kathy Imbler Martha Lee Joyce Pope

Judy Steehler Julia Swanson

Deacons

Class of 2022 Denise Benton Susan Kent John Kieger Nate Kruse Nana Landgraf Sarah Stone

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Class of 2021 Deanna Campbell Ian Murphy

Class of 2022 Geoff Barnes Doris Evans Mark Eisele

Class of 2023 Tom Roulston John Zitzner

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Elder Keith Mills Elder Sarah Pope Elder Vanessa Whiting (chair) **Pastor Nominating Committee**

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