

Sunday, November 7, 2021 11:00am



A Gathering of the Spirits by Jan Richardson

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#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** 

Fairest Lord Jesus What Wondrous Love is This

Fairmount Handbell Choir arranged by Douglas E. Wagner

**WELCOME** 

Rev. Jessie MacMillan, Interim Senior Pastor

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

All:

All:

One: In all our weakness and strength,

with our youth-filled spirits and aging bodies,

All: we come to be your people, O God. One: Strong in faith and eager with questions,

singing our praise and whispering our prayers,

we come to be your people, O God.

One: Filled with saintly determination

yet mindful of our human limitations,

All: we come to be your people, O God. One: Made strong in your endless love for us,

> we know ourselves to be yours and we come to be your people, O God.

One: May we truly become your people today. Amen.

\*HYMN 326 For All The Saints SINE NOMINE

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Gordon Landefeld

God has promised to make of us a new creation, laying to rest the former things, making all things new. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty Lord and God,

in Jesus Christ you came from heaven to dwell among us,

calling us to be your faithful people.

Yet we remain shrouded in sin-

we hurt and disgrace ourselves;

we abuse and destroy one another;

we dishonor your holy name.

Forgive us; unbind us and let us go

so that we may stand among your saints

rejoicing in your saving grace;

through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.

KYRIE: Hymn 576

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Listen! The one who is seated on the throne sys:

See, I am making all things new.

And now it is finished! Hear the good news:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. All:

One: May the peace of Christ be with you! Please share the signs of

peace with one another.

# ANTHEM

Fairmount Choir "Out of the Depths I cry" by G. F. Handel

#### **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. 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. Hearing 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.

# **CANDLE ON THE TABLE**

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

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Lindsay Harren-Lewis, Associate Pastor

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** 

Revelation 21:1-7

SERMON

"Earthly Tent, Heavenly Home"

Rev. Jessie MacMillan

"For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." (2 Corinthians 5:1)

SOLO
The House That Built Me

by Miranda Lambert

Chris Fader

**CALL TO OFFERING** 

Gordon Landefeld

# PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

Gracious and generous God, please accept these gifts that we have brought. May these offerings serve to draw others to love, honor, and serve you. Multiply these tithes and offerings, Holy One, and use them for the edification of your people all around the world. All for love's sake, amen.

Offering baskets are located at sanctuary entrances, or you can give online at our website, www.fpccle.org/giving.

DOXOLOGY, Hymn 609

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

CARING FOR THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Lindsay Harren-Lewis, Associate Pastor

#### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

#### COMMUNION PRAYER 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

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION Konrad Binienda

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*HYMN 836 Abide With Me EVENTIDE

#### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prelude in C Major for Organ BWV 553

Konrad Binienda, organ

Bach

#### **HYMN 326**

The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.

#### **HYMN 836**

By blending end of day and end of life, the imagery of this well-known Victorian hymn has made it valuable for both evening services and funerals. Although the author wrote his own music for it, the present tune has been firmly associated with this text for over 150 years.

# **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. For those joining us online, we will be celebrating All Saints' Day. If you like, please have a candle or personal memento of the person(s) you wish to remember. There will be time for greeting before and after worship as well. If you need technical help or have questions, contact Brenda Horth at <a href="mailto:brendamhorth@gmail.com">brendamhorth@gmail.com</a>.

# **Join Zoom Meeting**

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85628648447?pwd=ZFBmMytFTFhzQlZJMzFmRlo1Q1g0QT09

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 ë

#### **Worship Announcements**

# The Sanctuary "Wiggle Room"

As we gather for worship, we welcome the "joyful noise" that young children and families bring together. As you can see around the sanctuary, there are Worship Bags for the children to use, books to read, and pages to color during the service. We would also like to introduce our "Wiggle Room" located in the Narthex. This is a space for families that may need a little extra room.....to change diapers, nurse, or even for a small change of pace for our little ones. Feel free to use that room whenever you need. There are toys, books, puzzles, and quiet activities for each child to enjoy while listening to worship. We want you to feel at home, to make our place your space.

# **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 <a href="https://fpccle.org/prayer-request-form/">https://fpccle.org/prayer-request-form/</a>. You can also call or email Pastor Lindsay, (<a href="https://fpccle.org">lindsayhl@fpccle.org</a>, 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**

### 2022 Stewardship

Dear Fairmounters & Friends, our 2022 Stewardship Campaign is progressing well, thank you! We have 68 pledges amounting to \$360,000, or 51% of our goal. That's a good place to be! Thank you to those of you who have remembered to submit a pledge so far. If you haven't had a chance to, please visit Fairmount's website where you can make a pledge (https://fpccle.org/giving-and-stewardship/) or bring in your pledge card to church in the next couple of weeks, or simply call the church office at 216-321-5800 and we can record your pledge over the phone. Thank you for all of the ways you give!



# Edwins Bake Sale in Andersen Hall

On Sundays, November 7th, December 5th and January 2nd, stop by Andersen Hall before or after 8:30am or 11:00am worship to purchase some delicious baked goods from Edwins. Edwins is a local leadership & restaurant institute that gives formerly incarcerated adults a foundation in the culinary and hospitality industry while providing a support network necessary for their long-term success.

# Living Well Through the End of Life, presented by Rev. Stephen C. Blonder Adams Sunday, November 7th, at 12:00pm

Living well through all the phases of our life is of utmost importance. Yet our culture does all of us a great disservice, by emphasizing youthfulness at the cost of the aged, and completely avoids anything dealing with the death of the body. Only when we embrace the fullness of life, can we fully live through each part of our earthly journey. We will be focusing on pragmatic and spiritual issues, regarding preparing for the end of life. Materials will be provided for starting the conversation in your family and preparing a Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare. The in-person workshop has been filled, but you can still join online from home by using the Zoom link and information found on this page: https://fpccle.org/2021/10/20/livingwell/.

# Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless Presentation - Sunday, November 14th at 9:45am

Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless will present at Fairmount from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. during the adult education hour. This presentation will be offered in the hybrid model-both in person and on Zoom. Since 1988, the Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless (NEOCH) has sought to break the cycle of homelessness in Northeast Ohio. They exist to eliminate the root causes of homelessness while loving our diverse community through organizing, advocacy, education, and street outreach. NEOCH board member and Street Voices speaker, Kim Goodman, and NEOCH's Director of Strategic Initiatives, Molly Martin, will be joining us to talk about homelessness in Cleveland and the deeply human and systemic reasons why people struggle with housing. Kim is a member of NEOCH's Street Voices bureau, which empowers people who have experienced homelessness to share their stories directly. Kim and Molly will be sharing about some of NEOCH's work and the ways NEOCH seeks to inspire change in local communities by prioritizing homeless voices that show the concrete, personal impacts of homelessness. Visit <a href="https://fpccle.org/2021/10/15/neoch/">https://fpccle.org/2021/10/15/neoch/</a> for the Zoom meeting link.

# Save the Date! A Special Organ Concert on Sunday, November 14th at 3:00pm

Join us for a truly special organ concert featuring the Cleveland Institute of Music Students of Preeminent Cleveland Organist, Professor Todd Wilson. This concert will feature the students' repertoire and will be performed on Fairmount's amazing 100-rank Schantz organ. Professor Wilson is the Cleveland Institute of Music Organist and Organist with the Cleveland Orchestra.

# **Fairmount Music News**

Dear FPC Community, During the final months of 2021, we have several interesting musical events planned. On Friday, December 3rd, Fairmount will feature a concert by yours truly (Konrad Binienda) together with Cellist Maria Fesz. We will be performing an Advent recital featuring Chopin's Cello Sonata in G minor Opus 65, an arrangement of O Come, O Come Emmanuel, and other works. This will be followed by the culmination of our choir's hard work on Blue Christmas, Sunday, December 12th, at 5:00pm, featuring movements from Mozart's Requiem in D minor. Fairmount Presbyterian Adult Choir is currently in the process of looking for additional members (especially tenors and basses!) If you have an interest in joining the choir, please email musicdirector@fpccle.org.

# Looking for New "Ding-A-Lings" for the Fairmount Bell Choir!

Come and experience the joy of a "musical team sport" at our church. Only requirement is the ability to read music! We can help teach all of the rest. We rehearse on Sunday mornings from 9:00am-10:00am in the Undercroft. Our hope is to get back to playing once a month starting in November. No worries if a few weekends call you away – we've learned to adjust and adapt (something this past year and half has taught us well.) If interested, please contact Amy Carlson, acarlson@key.com or 216-978-7445. We look forward to hearing from some of you!

# **Back by Popular Demand - Advent Boxes!**

We will be putting together boxes full of supplies and goodies to help you celebrate Advent this year. Inside you will find ideas of spiritual practices you can incorporate into your holiday planning as well as items that will connect your home to our church home. The boxes will be ready for pick up on Sunday, November 21st, in Andersen Hall.

# What Fire Comes to Sing in You

by Rev. Jan Richardson

This blessing had big ideas about what it wanted to say what it wanted you to know, to se.

This blessing wanted to open your eyes to the joy that lives in such strange company with sorrow wanted to make sure to tell you, lest you forget, that no matter how long it seems absent, no matter how quiet it becomes, joy has never been far from you, holding a space of celebration, watching for you humming as it keeps vigil.

But now that it comes time to speak it – comes time to lay these words on your brow, your beating heart – all this blessing can think to say is

Look – Your life A candle, This day A match. Strikt it and see What blazes, What fire comes To sing in you. -Rev. Jan Richardson

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