



# FAIRMOUNT

PRESBYTERIAN *Church*

**Following Christ. Growing in Faith. Serving Together. Caring for All.**

**November 12, 2017 - 11:00am**



**Cleveland Heights, Ohio**  
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# Order of Worship

## PRELUDE

*Joyance*

*Fairmount Bell Choir*

*Ron Mallory*

## WORD OF WELCOME

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine, Senior Pastor

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

(inspired by Proverbs 8)

One: Listen! Wisdom is calling!

**All: Before all began,  
God, Word, and Wisdom  
Creating, calling,  
From the foundations of the deep.**

One: Listen! Wisdom is calling!

**All: From the mountain tops,  
Earth, fields and sea  
Creating, calling,  
From the foundations of the deep.**

One: Listen! Wisdom is calling!

**All: To those who suffer  
God's love is given;  
Endurance blossoms  
From the foundations of the deep.**

One: Listen! Wisdom is calling!

**All: Daily, God's delight;  
You, me, every one  
Given hope, grace, love  
As the foundation of our lives.**

One: Listen! Wisdom is calling!

**All: Poured into our hearts  
That we may become  
Christ's hand and heart, love  
As the foundation of our lives.**

**Listen! Wisdom is calling!**

## \*HYMN 174

*Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom*

*Madeleine*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Susan Holderness, Pastor for Congregational Care

**Gracious God, we come before you today  
knowing we often fall short of your call to love one another well.  
We allow ourselves to be blinded  
by wealth and power.  
We ignore those around us  
who suffer injustice, poverty, and rejection.  
We tune out the cries of the poor  
and those on the edges of our communities.**

**Help us to see your great generosity,  
hear your word of mercy,  
and feel your great love  
for all who need your redemptive grace.**

**Strengthen us to reach out in service to those in need  
and make us aware of biases that close our hearts and minds  
to your wisdom and grace.**

**In your mercy, hear this prayer and the silent confessions of our hearts.**

## WORSHIP NOTES

### CANDLE ON TABLE

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

### CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

At the time of a child's baptism, the family and gathered community promise to bring children to worship. Being with family is how we learn to be family. Worship is no different. We all learn about worship and how to participate by experience, by how we are welcomed into the community, by what we see others doing. We are thankful to have the whole family in worship.

Children's worship materials are available. Nursery care is available all morning for children 5 and under on the lower level in Room 2. There is also a family/nursing room off Andersen Hall.

### SANCTUARY PEWS

Earlier this year, the Session approved the removal of selected pews to make our worship space more welcoming to families and those with accessibility issues. As you may notice, volunteers recently continued this work by removing two pews near the back of the sanctuary. The Session invites your feedback as they discern the right size and scope of accessible spaces.

### PRELUDE

"Joyance," released earlier this year, is the winner of the Handbell Musicians of America Area 2 Festival Conference Composition Contest.

### HYMN 174

Drawing on numerous scriptural images of Wisdom (Greek: *Sophia*), especially in Proverbs, this text offers an alternative perspective on Trinitarian theology. The Wisdom tradition has played a role in Christian mysticism for centuries, as witnessed by the Hagia Sophia in Istanbul.

### HANDBELL VOLUNTARY

"St. George's Windsor" and "Nun Danket Alle Gott" (translated from German as "Now Thank

## SILENT CONFESSION AND KYRIE

Capo 1: (Em) Fm (Bm7)(Em) (C) Cm7 Fm Db

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us; Christ, have mer - cy up -

(C) (B) (Cmaj7) (Em) (Bm7) (Em) Db C D7maj7 Fm Cm7 Fm

on us; Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Friends, believe the good news:

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored to new life!**

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: May the peace of Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

### HANDBELL VOLUNTARY

*Thanksgiving Celebration*

*Michael Helman*

### RESPONSIVE HYMN 591 *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

*Halle, Halle*

During the singing of the hymn all children are invited to come forward for Time of Young Disciples.

*Refrain: Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

After the Time for Young Disciples, children preschool to 3rd grade are invited to join for WE TIME (Worship Enrichment) in room 114 on the main level led by staff and shepherds. We will rejoin the congregation at the end of the offering to sing the closing hymn and receive the benediction. On the first Sunday of each month, Communion Sunday, we ask that ALL elementary-aged children stay for the entire worship service.

### RESPONSIVE HYMN 591 *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!*

*Halle, Halle*

### ANTHEM

*Sleepers, Wake!*

*Fairmount Choir  
J.S. Bach*

*Zion hears the watchmen singing; her heart with joyful hope is springing; she wakes and hurries through the night. Forth he comes, her Bridegroom glorious in strength of grace, in truth victorious: her star is risen, her light grows bright. Now come, most worthy Lord, God's son, incarnate Word, Alleluia! We follow all and heed your call to come into the banquet hall.*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*Gretchen Hess*

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 (NRSV)

### NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 25:1-13 (NT page 28)

### SERMON

"What Do You Know?"

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

**HANDBELL VOLUNTARY (con't)**  
We All Our God") are the two Thanksgiving hymns used in this handbell/handchime medley. "St. George's Windsor" was composed as a setting for James Montgomery's text "Hark! The Song of Jubilee" by George J. Elvey. The tune is named after the chapel in Windsor, England, where Elvey was organist for forty-seven years. Nun Danket was written c. 1636 by Martin Rinkart. The melody is attributed to Johann Crüger, who wrote it c. 1647.

### ANTHEM

Bach first composed this setting of the Lutheran chorale "Wachet auf! Ruft uns die Stimme" (Sleepers Wake! A Voice Astounds Us) as a tenor aria for his Cantata No. 140. The tenor sings the unadorned melody with an elaborate bass and counter-melody above it. Bach himself later arranged this movement for organ solo. In this performance, the choir sings the tenor line (in English) while the organ plays the countermelodies.

### HYMN 349

This text is based on the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids (Matthew 25:1-13), but contains allusions to many other New Testament passages. Because one person created both text and tune, they combine majestically to form what is often called "the king of chorales."

### ORGAN OFFERTORY

20th Century German composer Hugo Distler composed a three-movement partita (suite) on the "Wachet Auf" chorale tune. The second movement is in two voices (a "bicinium") in elaborate counterpoint. The fugue (played as today's postlude) is equally complex contrapuntally, with cross-rhythms and the tune more disguised, often as fanfare-like motifs.

### HYMN 307

This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

**\*HYMN 349** (stanzas 1,2)

"Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

Wachet Auf

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Gretchen Hess

**We believe in an innovative God, who does not wait for us to find ourselves but comes seeking the lost and calling us into a new way.**

**We believe in Jesus of Nazareth as God's crucial initiative, that when he calls us to follow, Christ also gives us the power to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the living God.**

**We believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us, calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship.**

**We believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people, called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future.**

**Because Christ has called us, in this we truly believe.  
Amen.**

**CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY**

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Rev. Susan Holderness

**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.**

**OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

Rev. Derek Starr Redwine

**ORGAN OFFERTORY**

*Bicinium from Partita on "Wachet Auf"*

Hugo Distler

**\*DOXOLOGY**, Hymn 606

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
\*Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*or "Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen."**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN 307**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

Cwm Rhondda

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

One: You are the hands and feet of God in this community.  
You are called to soothe suffering,  
to live with compassion,  
and to build up God's loving peace.  
So as you leave this place, how will you live?

**All: We go from this place of worship  
to share the gifts we have been given.  
We go from this time of worship  
to build up the Body of Christ.  
We go from this holy space  
to carry the Holy to the world around us.**

**POSTLUDE**

Tim Robson, Organist  
Distler

*Fugue from Partita on "Wachet auf"*

*\*rising, in body or spirit.*

*Following Worship, all are invited to a time of fellowship in Andersen Hall.*

## SACRED SCRIBBLES

*Worship is a participatory activity. As you seek to discern what God is saying to you this day, we encourage you to write, draw, or doodle as you worship.*

What new wisdom is God trying to teach you?

What biases might be closing your mind to deeper wisdom?

## Welcome to Fairmount Presbyterian Church

Whether you are visiting for the first time or are a longtime member, we are more fully who God wants us, and the world needs us to be, because you are here. And for that we give God thanks. At Fairmount, all are welcome to follow Christ, grow in faith, serve together, and care for all. This is our vision, and we are striving to make it true. We don't all look alike, or act alike, and God knows we don't think alike.

We bring different questions, experiences, perspectives, and burdens to the table. But every Sunday, we worship as one, because we believe God has brought us together for a purpose. In worship, we discover who we are and to whom we belong. This process of discovery isn't always easy. Sometimes we leave church with more questions than answers, but we believe that through studying the ways of Jesus, singing the hymns of our tradition, praying with both words and silence, and wrestling with the challenges of faith in the modern world, we are strengthened in our call to be disciples of the one who is the light of the world and the hope of all our hearts.

It is my hope that you will leave worship today both comforted and challenged by God's presence and this community of faith. God is here, doing what God loves to do - shaking things up with grace to remind us just how much we are loved.

After worship, stick around. Grab a cup of coffee in our fellowship hall. Take a walk around our building. Spend a few moments of quiet in our garden, walk the labyrinth outside, or introduce yourself to a member of the church or one of our staff. There are many opportunities here to feed your soul, serve others, and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know - you might have found your spiritual home.  
-Derek Starr Redwine, Senior Pastor

### THANK YOU to our Sunday Volunteers!

Head Usher: Gaylee McCracken

Service Recorder: Ken Redd

Office Volunteer: Jan Spalding

Liturgist: Gretchen Hess (11:00am)

8:30am Greeter: Hedy Westra

Elder Greeters: Anne and Rick Smith

Hospitality Sponsors: Mity Fowler and Lee Sealton Eckles

Note Card Writing: Martha Lee, Judy Steehler, Becky Zeigler, Mary Giffin

Flower Delivery: Dottie Henry, Sally Mortimer

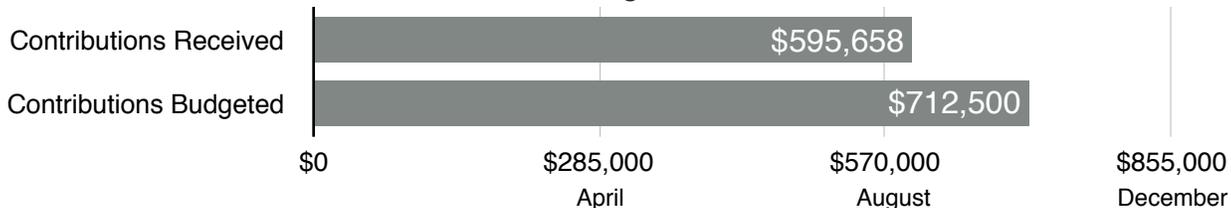
**Members Requesting Prayer:** The family of Charles Skinner, Tom Johnston and family, Deborah Erwin Nash, Libby Lord

**Chancel Flowers:** The Chancel Flowers are given in loving memory of Francis H. Beam on his birthday, November 12th, by his wife, Virginia Beam, and family.

### Stewardship Update

As Fairmount seeks to faithfully respond to God's generosity and Christ's call to love and serve, the church relies on congregational giving as its primary source of funding. The total amount of contributions budgeted for 2017 is \$855,000. If you have general questions about the budget, email [admin@fairmountchurch.org](mailto:admin@fairmountchurch.org). Thank you for your financial support of Fairmount Presbyterian Church. **We typically receive 30% of our contributions in the month of December, so as we enter this Season of Giving, please remember the church.**

**As of October 31, 2017, the total Tithes & Offerings collected are:**



Contributions to the church can be made online at [www.onrealm.org/FairmountPresby/SignIn](http://www.onrealm.org/FairmountPresby/SignIn). Scan this QR Code to go directly to the church's online giving portal. If you would like to make a pledge in support of the church's mission and ministry in 2017, please contact Church Business Administrator Nancy Chism at [nchism@fairmountchurch.org](mailto:nchism@fairmountchurch.org). If you have general questions about the budget, email [admin@fairmountchurch.org](mailto:admin@fairmountchurch.org). Thank you for your financial support of Fairmount Presbyterian Church.



### Save the Dates: Christmas Time Worship Services

Please save the dates and times for our worship services on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

- Sunday, December 24th: One morning worship at 11:00am; candlelight services at 5:00pm and 10:00pm.
- Sunday, December 31st: One morning worship at 11:00am.

## **Congregational Forum: Worship Schedule** **Today from 9:45am to 10:45am in the Chapel**

The Session will be hosting a congregational forum today, with the purpose of discussing the worship schedule with the congregation. The Session is currently discerning the worship schedule that best supports the vision and values of the church. Participants will be invited to share what they love most about worship, along with their hopes and dreams for worship at Fairmount. The Session will be hosting congregational forums quarterly as a way to communicate with the congregation about new mission and ministry initiatives. All are welcome.

## **Securing our Sacred Space**

On Wednesday, November 1, the Session, the governing body of our church, adopted a resolution against Ohio House Bill 233 that is before the Ohio Senate Committee on Government Oversight and Reform. H.B. 233 provides that holders of license to carry concealed firearms, who bring such weapons into prohibited spaces, such as churches and schools, would suffer no criminal penalty if they leave upon discovery and do not return. In the resolution the Session reaffirmed that "we are called to create a safe space for all God's children, and as such, it is imperative that as a community of faith we be allowed to ensure that worship and education is free from firearms or the threat of them." A full copy of the resolution can be found on the Session page of our website. In addition to this resolution, over the past year the Administration Council has developed an Emergency and Evacuation Plan to ensure our building continues to be a safe place for all who seek spiritual refuge. To encourage Sunday participants to use our main entrances to access the building, we will be making any single exterior doors "exit only" on Sunday mornings.

## **Thank You!**

Thank you to all who participated and gave at the Pancake Breakfast last Sunday. We raised over \$1000 for youth mission trips!

## **Stewardship Update**

Thank you to all who have submitted a pledge in support of the mission and ministry of the church in 2018. If you have not yet submitted your pledge, please do so soon, so Session can finalize the budget for 2018. We are asking you to consider an increase of 10%. Your contributions enable us to meet our commitments, adapt our ministries, and support our wonderful staff. Your willingness to surrender a portion of your resources to the church is also a spiritual practice that leads to gratitude and joy! Make your pledge by submitting it online ([www.fairmountchurch.org](http://www.fairmountchurch.org)), turning in a blue pledge card, or calling the church office.

## **Printed Church Directory**

As part of this year's stewardship campaign, we are asking members and friends of the church to log into REALM (our new, secure online database) or to contact the church staff to indicate if they would like their contact information to be in the new printed church directory to be made available soon. To protect your privacy, all members and friends must request that their contact information be shared.

## **Reforming How Congregational Districts Are Drawn in Ohio**

The League of Women Voters is seeking support for an initiative to reform the way congressional districts are drawn in Ohio. The League/Fair Districts proposal would use a bipartisan commission and impose standards to prevent congressional districts from being drawn to favor any party or candidate, while at the same time preserving minority voting rights. Member Catherine LaCroix will be available to answer questions and offer an opportunity to sign the League's petition during coffee hours on November 12th and 19th. You may also email her at [lwvgc4fairdistricts@gmail.com](mailto:lwvgc4fairdistricts@gmail.com) with any questions.

## **Guild Goes to Judson Manor on Tuesday, November 14th**

Please join the ladies of the Guild as we make lavender sachet bags with the residents at Judson Manor. We will carpool from church at 1:45pm. We have the supplies. We just need a few people to help the residents make the bags and share fellowship. Please contact Hedy Westra at [hedywestra@ameritech.net](mailto:hedywestra@ameritech.net) to let her know if you can come and want to carpool.

## **Guild Cookie Day: Saturday, December 2nd, at 9:30am**

Guild Cookie Day will be held Saturday, December 2nd, at 9:30am at the church. The cost is \$15 which includes six dozen cookies, a cookbook, and lunch. Please register and pay in advance by contacting Chris Hicks at 216.407.4467.

## Welcome to Fairmount Presbyterian Church

**Vision/Mission Statement:** Following Christ. Growing in Faith. Serving Together. Caring for All.

**Core Values:** authentic, generous, inclusive, innovative, and relevant.

**Diversity Statement:** As beloved children of God, we welcome all persons to join our family of faith as full participants, regardless of age, race or ethnicity, national origin, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, mental or physical ability, economic status, differences of thought and expression, or any other human condition. We celebrate and find strength in our diversity.

### Next Sunday: Sunday, November 19th

**8:30am** Childcare - Nursery  
**8:30am** Worship with Communion - Chapel  
**9:30am** Coffee Hour - Andersen Hall  
**11:00am** Worship - Sanctuary  
**12:00pm** Coffee Hour - Andersen Hall  
**12:30pm** Club 425 - Youth Room



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Clerk of Session, Bourbon Zeigler

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