



Fairlington United Methodist Church
Morning Eucharist – September 16, 2020

CALL TO WORSHIP

The bread of life opens our eyes.

The word of life opens our ears.

The risen one shows us God's own brokenness,

and by those wounds we are healed.

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

The one who calls us to repent, hears us. In trust that our Creator knows us through and through, let us open our hearts to the healing of God's forgiveness.

Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation, misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us, needing your forgiveness. We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. We beg your mercy for our fallen world. We seek your word, that we may live with the faith of Jesus. Be our solace in this life and always. We ask this as your children, holy and incomplete. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

[Silent prayer]

In the name of the triune God, Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, our plea for absolution has been heard. God's promises are sure: our sins are forgiven

MARK 11:20-25

THE LESSON FROM THE WITHERED FIG TREE

In the morning as they passed by, they saw the fig tree withered away to its roots. Then Peter remembered and said to him, 'Rabbi, look! The fig tree that you cursed has withered.' Jesus answered them, 'Have faith in God. Truly I tell you, if you say to this mountain, "Be taken up and thrown into the sea", and if you do not doubt in your heart, but believe that what you say will come to pass, it will be done for you. So I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

'Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone; so that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.'

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Write in prayer requests below, and refer back to them during the week.)

INVITATION AND THE PEACE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We open them to our God..

Let us give thanks to the Holy One, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

. . . Therefore we praise you, joining the everlasting chorus of the wind and streams, the animals and flowers, the living and the dead, the stars and the planets, and all the company of heaven.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of sovereignty and light, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

THE PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS

BLESSING