

Fairview Baptist Church

Gathered and sent by Christ to build and make known the reign of God: to love God, neighbour and self

October 20, 2024

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Welcome

Gathering Hymn VU 708 My Lord, What a Morning

Refrain:

My Lord, what a morning; My Lord, what a morning; O, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall, when the stars begin to fall.

You'll hear the trumpet sound, To wake the nations underground, Looking to my God's right hand, When the stars begin to fall. Refrain

You'll hear the sinner cry,
To wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand,
When the stars begin to fall. Refrain

You'll hear the Christian shout,
To wake the nations underground,
Looking to my God's right hand,
When the stars begin to fall. Refrain

Call to Worship (from John 8:32)

Jesus said, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

In this hour of worship, help us to grasp the freedom that comes from seeing you more clearly, loving you more dearly, and following you more nearly.

God of heaven and earth, we long to be truly free.

Day by day, give us strength and courage to be your people in this time, in this place. Amen.

~by Carol Penner

Greeting One Another

Hymn VU 149 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (tune of VU 372 Though I May Speak)

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God! All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them through his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small.

Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Scripture Mark 2:23-3:6

Prayer

Loving God, wise and strong,
we trust in Your power,
even as it is often found in weakness;
we trust in Your wisdom,
even as it is expressed in seeming foolishness;
we trust in Your wholeness,
even as it comes to us amid brokenness.

We do not ask this day for dazzling displays of strength, electric exercises of intellectual prowess, or marvelous manifestations of miracles.

We simply worship You.

Touch us this day, O Lord, sinners that we are, that we might become ever more Your saints, Your body, Your children, Your church.

For this Temple of Your Spirit is built not upon our own abilities, knowledge, or restorative skill, but upon You, in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Choral Anthem O Lord, You're Beautiful

Oh Lord, You're beautiful
Your face is all I seek
For when Your eyes are on this child
Your grace abounds to me
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Chorus:

I want to take Your word and shine it all around But first help me to just to live it, Lord And when I'm doing well, help me to never seek a crown For my reward is giving glory to You

Oh Lord, please light the fire That once burned bright and clean Replace the lamp of my first love That burns with holy fear. Chorus

Sermon Jesus, Lord of the Sabbath

Silent Reflection ~Please remain seated~

Prayer of the People

Offering Doxology

We give you but your own, whate'er the gift may be All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.

Announcements

Sending Hymn

Refrain:

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole, there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain, but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. Refrain

If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul, you can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all." Refrain

Benediction

Go now, to serve Christ and follow him. Let your old life fall like a grain of wheat into the earth so that you may bear much fruit as you allow God to reshape your heart and live in obedience to the law written within you.

And may God centre you in truth and steady your spirit. May Christ renew your joy and strengthen your will. And may the Spirit teach you God's hidden wisdom and fill you with songs of rejoicing. We go in peace to love and serve the Lord, In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

In our prayers this week:

- Fairview's transition discernment.
- The end of wars in Israel and Palestine, Lebanon, Myanmar, Sudan, and Ukraine.

Announcements

Today: Our guest speaker is Chris Price, pastor from The Way Church.

Today: Fall Business Meeting after the service.

Sun Oct 27: Neighbourhood Prayer Walk. Contact Soma.Sun Dec 15: Christmas dinner. More details to follow.

Guest preacher:

Oct 27 Matt Leonard

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