

Fair Street Reformed Church

Morning Worship ~ October 10, 2021

Worshipping together since 1849, Fair Street is a community striving to live into our call to love God and neighbor. We welcome you, friend and neighbor, into this space and time to worship, in hopes that you will be able to experience God's love, grace, presence and welcome in these moments.

Please note:

Entering the Zoom Worship Space PRIOR to worship: you are welcome to say hello and check in with everyone. The Space will be open and active by 9:30am each week.

If you join us after 10am, please enter the room quietly and mute your microphone. As long as you can hear Pastor Kendra, you will be able to participate in worship.

*For prayer requests, joys and concerns please email pastorkendra1@gmail.com by Saturday night, or you can text her on her cell phone. You will also be able to send them in the chat conversation that will be to the right of the video screen on Sunday.

*Following worship, remain online, unmute yourself and join us for our virtual coffee hour!

*Be sure to check the Fair Street Weekly for updates and announcements for the week!



Please let us know that you are here! Open the camera on your phone, scan this code and then click on the link that shows up

at the top of your screen. **This code will bring you to your email, in which you will be able to safely send an email to the Church Office to let us know you are here!** *Please include: your name, mailing address, phone number, and if you would like a call from the Pastor, or if you have any questions about Fair Street.*

Thanks for joining us today!



Do you have a Prayer Requests with a Joy or Concern you would like to share with the Fair Street Community?

Open the camera on your phone, scan this code, and then click on the link that shows up at the top of your screen. **This code will bring you to your texting app in which you will be able to safely share a prayer request, joy or concern with Pastor Kendra.** Pastor Kendra will share your request later during the service. If you prefer her to not share with the congregation, please be sure to include the words: "Please do not share".



Safely make an offering to Fair Street Church from your phone.

Open the camera on your phone,

scan this code, and then click the link that shows up at the top of your screen. **This code will bring you to our secure giving page where you can give your offering online.**

Offering Plates are also at the entrance of the Sanctuary in which you are invited to place your offering as you arrive, or as you leave. Today's worship service will be posted and shared on the website by Monday afternoon.

This morning's liturgy, readings, and prayers are taken from the Worship Source Book.

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God Gathers the Church

GATHERING AND WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 89:1-4, NRSV

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;

with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.

I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,

I have sworn to my servant David:

'I will establish your descendants forever,

and build your throne for all generations.'"

Praise the Lord!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Kendra VanHouten

CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Psalm 130, NRSV

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you,

so that you may be revered.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord

more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

**He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?**

GLORIA PATRI

God's Word Is Proclaimed

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 41

- ¹ Happy are those who consider the poor;^[a]
the LORD delivers them in the day of trouble.
- ² The LORD protects them and keeps them alive;
they are called happy in the land.
You do not give them up to the will of their enemies.
- ³ The LORD sustains them on their sickbed;
in their illness you heal all their infirmities.^[b]
- ⁴ As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gracious to me;
heal me, for I have sinned against you."
- ⁵ My enemies wonder in malice
when I will die, and my name perish.
- ⁶ And when they come to see me, they utter empty words,
while their hearts gather mischief;
when they go out, they tell it abroad.
- ⁷ All who hate me whisper together about me;
they imagine the worst for me.
- ⁸ They think that a deadly thing has fastened on me,
that I will not rise again from where I lie.
- ⁹ Even my bosom friend in whom I trusted,
who ate of my bread, has lifted the heel against me.
- ¹⁰ But you, O LORD, be gracious to me,
and raise me up, that I may repay them.
- ¹¹ By this I know that you are pleased with me;
because my enemy has not triumphed over me.
- ¹² But you have upheld me because of my integrity,
and set me in your presence forever.

¹³ Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting.
Amen and Amen.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Kendra VanHouten

HYMN 428 “*When Peace Like a River*”

(You are welcome to sing quietly remaining seated with your masks on)

Verse 1

When peace like a river attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say
It is well, it is well with my soul

Chorus

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul

Verse 4

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend
Even so, it is well with my soul!

Chorus

It is well (it is well)
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul

CCLI Song # 2713517

The Church Responds to God

THE SHARING OF THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE WITH OUR GIFTS:

While the social distancing makes it a challenge to worship in person, and serve alongside one another, ministry is still happening. We ask that you consider either mailing in your offering contribution or sending it online through our secure website:

<https://fairstreetreformedchurch.org/>, and click on the [support us](#) page. Your offering supports

the work and ministry of the church as we continue to seek for ways in which we can love our neighbor, with no exceptions, even from a distance.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)*

**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.

BENEDICTION