

Fairmont United Methodist Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12th, 2019

9:00 AM

* - You are invited to stand at these times.

(Hymn numbers over # 2000 are from "The Faith We Sing" supplement)

We Gather as God's People

Prelude and Candle Lighting

Welcome

* Greeting One Another in Christ

(with a nod or a handshake)

* Call to Worship (from Psalm 23)

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

People: He makes me lie down in green pastures;

Leader: he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

People: He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Leader: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;

People: for you are with me; your rod and your staff -- they comfort me.

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

People: you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;

People: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

* Hymn "God Leads Us Along" # 3031

Opening Prayer (in unison)

by Nancy C. Townley, alt.

With joy we come this day to the house of the Lord. God provides for us abundantly even when we doubt and fear, even when we turn away. God is faithful.

O Lord, open our hearts today to hear your word for us, so that we may become faithful disciples of our Lord all of our days. Amen.

Men's Chorus

"The Gift of Love"

We Hear God's Word

* Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

* Scripture Reading

John 10:22-30

Lois Fransen

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For All of God's Children "Where Children Belong" # 2233 (twice)

Message "What Did Jesus Say, Again? Part 1"

We Respond to God's Word with Thanksgiving

* Celebration of Mothers

A Prayer of Thanksgiving for our Christian Home

Leader: Our Father in heaven, we give you thanks for our earthly home.

Your Son, Jesus, taught us to love one another as he has loved us.

All Sons and Daughters: On this Mother's Day, we give thanks for our mothers who have given us life and love. Help us to cherish their example of love and faith, so that our love might shine forth to others, in the name of Jesus Christ, who has a home for us, eternal in the heavens.

People: We thank you for the gifts of love, that we have seen and felt from our mothers, our fathers, our brothers, our sisters, and our children.

Husbands: We thank you for our wives,

who love and cherish us for better and for worse.

Wives: We thank you for our husbands,

who love and cherish us for better and for worse.

Husbands and Wives: We renew our vows that we have made to each other,

and ask that we will continue to grow in love and godliness together,

so that our homes may be havens of blessing and peace.

Leader: Let us praise our wonderful God in heaven who gathers us today as one family in his name...

Our Time of Prayer

Our Offering

Offertory

"Blessed Assurance"

*Doxology

"My Tribute"

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*Prayer of Dedication

*The Lord's Prayer

Birthdays, Announcements and Opportunities for Fellowship and Service

We Go Forth To Serve God and Our Neighbors

* Dismissal with Blessing

Leader: We are sent forth in the power of Christ's resurrection!

People: Alleluia! Praise the Lord!

Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn

"Happy the Home When God Is There"

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* Postlude

John 10:22-30

²²The time came for the Festival of Dedication in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was in the temple, walking in the covered porch named for Solomon. ²⁴The Jewish opposition circled around him and asked, "How long will you test our patience? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly."

²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, but you don't believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, ²⁶but you don't believe because you don't belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep listen to my voice. I know them and they follow me.

²⁸I give them eternal life. They will never die, and no one will snatch them from my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them from my Father's hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one."



Welcome to Worship

It is a joy to welcome you to worship today. Thank you for joining us as we worship and are blessed by our Lord. We are glad you are with us today!

Our mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our vision: Resounding God's Grace!

Please sign the **Ritual of Friendship** pads when they are handed out by the ushers. After everyone in the pew has had a chance to sign them, please return them to near the center aisle.

Nursery Care is staffed and available for children, 4 years of age and younger, every Sunday morning from 8:45-11:15 am. Adults are asked to accompany and sign in their child/children. The Nursery is located on the 1st floor of the educational wing.

Busy Bags can be found on the Busy Bag Tree in the narthex.

Bibles, large print hymnals, and hearing amplification devices are available in the narthex. Hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Texts of Pastor Tony's sermons are available from the ushers for persons who wish to have one to follow during the sermon or to pass on to others.

Our church's **Unisex Handicapped Accessible Restroom** is located near the elevator off the Fellowship Hall in church basement.

Gluten-free Communion wafers are available for those with allergies. If you would prefer one, please ask your communion server for one. It is the tradition of the United Methodist Church to serve grape juice for Communion.

Forget your checkbook? You can contribute to the church by credit card or smartphone! Visit our website at www.umcfairmont.org/giving/ or use the QR code.



Hospitality Coffee/Beverages: are being served in the Narthex. Enjoy some refreshments and fellowship! Thanks to Lois Fransen and her team for serving. (Profits go to the youth program.)

Our Prayers



Of joy: Happy Mother's Day to mothers everywhere.

Of concern: Gloria Olson

Our sympathy & prayers to: the family of Donna McGowan who passed away this week. She was the mother of Jerry McGowan.

Our joys & concerns for the previous 4 weeks: Dustin Rahm, Danny Sorenson, Essence Leach, Richard Bradley, Bonnie True, Aries Shefrate; Stephen Newnum in Brazil, leadership of our country & other countries, leadership of our church.

Pray for our Military: EM1(SW) Lance Brotsma/NSB Bangor, Bangor, WA, son of Denise & Dale Baruth, Tim & Diane Brotsma, grandson of Bev Fenske

Calendar

Sunday, May 12

Mother's Day
Love Offering
8:30 am. Hospitality Coffee/Narthex
9:00 am. Worship
10:10 am. CLICK, Youth and Adult
Bible Studies

Monday, May 13

9:00 am. Exercise Group
12:30 pm. Yoga
6:15 pm. M.C. Daycare

Tuesday, May 14

9:00 am. Exercise Group
1:00 pm. Lakeview Bible Study
2:00 pm. Lakeview Communion
1:00 pm. Quilters
5:15 pm. Yoga
6:00 pm. Cub Scouts
7:00 pm. Church Council

Wednesday, May 15

8:30 am. Staff Meeting
9:00 am. Exercise Group
12:30 pm. Yoga
5:00 pm. Wed. Supper – Tacos
5:45 pm. Worship

Thursday, May 16

9:00 am. TOPS (Rm 117)
9:30 am. Martha Cir. at Pendergast's
9:30 am. Rachel Cir. at Celander's
12:00 pm. AI-ANON (Rm 117)
5:15 pm. Yoga
6:00 pm. NO Refresh Worship

Friday, May 17

9:00 am. Exercise Group
3:00 pm. Yoga

Saturday, May 18

9:00 am. Naomi Circle

Sunday, May 19

Love Offering-2nd Chance
Senior & Teacher Recognition
8:30 am. Hospitality/Narthex
9:00 am. Worship
10:10 am. CLICK, Youth and Adult
Bible Studies – last one
11:30 am. Brunch Bunch at The Ranch



Today's Worship

Ushers

Jerry & Joyce Simon, Tom Henry,
Chuck & Peg Haugen

North Door Greeter

Gene & Ione Cross

South Door Greeter

Ken & Helga Anderson

Acolytes

Laura Thompson
Angelina Martinson

Scripture Reader

Lois Fransen

Special Music

Men's Choir

Liturgist

Rich Dehmer

Organist

Ann Wehner

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Worship Attendance on

May 5, 2019

9:00 Worship: 134

Events

Keep Bringing in those Receipts!!

Hy-Vee total - \$8,600 Round 19

Fareway total -\$11,938 Round 8

(only receipts from the Fairmont stores please)



Flowers – the flowers on the Communion Table this morning are given by Chuck & Linda Smith and Audrey Slater in memory of their mothers, Audrey Berry, Florence Lozano and Ethel Smith.

Martha Circle – will meet at 9:30 am. on Thursday, May 16 at Jackie Pendergast's home in Truman.

Rachel Circle – will be meeting on Thursday, May 16, at 9:30 in Belle Plaine at Jeanne Celander's home. They are planning to carpool.

CREST "Lunch & Learn" – to feature dementia friends. This event will be held on Monday, May 13 at 11:00 at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 102 N. Park St. Fairmont. This month's topic will be a presentation from Dementia Friends. A lasagna lunch will follow the program with a free will donation to defray expenses. Anyone from the area is welcome to attend.

CREST – is currently in need of more volunteers to help provide non-professional services to those in need in Martin County. The next CREST new volunteer training will be held on Thursday evening, May 16 at 6:30 at the CREST offices located at 820 Winnebago Ave. in Fairmont. If you are interested in becoming a CREST volunteer, please call the CREST office by May 14 at 235-3833 to make your reservation.

Veteran's Park Multi-Block Party – We will be having our 5th Annual Multi-Block Party at Veteran's Park on Wednesday, May 22nd from 5:00 until 7:00. Previous year's events were great and we are looking forward to another wonderful time! Can you help? We are looking for persons to:

- Greet people at and around our display table
- Pick up food from grocery stores
- Move 8-foot tables from church
- Pick up gas grills
- Loan us ice chest coolers
- Help cook hot dogs
- Help serve food
- Help Set up
- Help Clean up
- Face Painting for Children
- Help with games for Children



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"My sheep hear my voice.
I know them, and
they follow me."

- John 10:27

Resounding God's Grace!

- *Relating with love and grace*
- *Radically welcoming our guests*
- *Reaching out to our communities in love*

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