

Fairview Presbyterian Church
April 19, 2026 • 3rd Sunday of Easter

We Gather Around the Word

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bless the Lord, O people, sing!

Let the sound of praise ring out.

Come and hear what the Lord has done,

What great mercies await us in God's presence.

The Lord who has triumphed over death has come—

Christ has come to be with us and to call us into his fold.

OPENING PRAYER

Bill Campbell

Lord Jesus, as you met your disciples for breakfast on the beach, meet us in the dawning of this new day. As you fed them with bread and fish, feed us with love and grace, more than we can ask or imagine. **Amen.**

*HYMN #359 "Alleluia Give Thanks to the Risen Lord"

CALL TO CONFESSION

God is present to guide our journey and ready to forgive us when we go astray; therefore, in humility and faith let us confess our sins against God and neighbor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternally patient God, we ask again and again,
"What should we do?"

And again and again, you tell us,
"Repent and return to me."

Yet we have not changed our ways.

We fall into old habits, cling to our own ways,
and take for granted the grace you have given us.

Once again, we ask you for forgiveness.

Show us the way forward and help us return,
once again, to you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, the promise of our faith is that if we entrust ourselves to the One who judges justly, we need not feel threatened or fearful, for we will be returned to righteousness. Having been brought back into the safety of God's fold, let us embrace our forgiveness and be at peace.

SUNG RESPONSE(Gloria) G2G #552 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.

We Hear the Word Proclaimed

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bill Campbell

Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19

ANTHEM

"Love Came Calling"

GOSPEL READING

John 21:15-25

SERMON

"Breakfast on the Beach"

Rev. Melissa Tidwell

We Respond to the Word

*HYMN G2G #543

"O Christ, Surround Me"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is the sign that God will consummate the work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ. God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful persons. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

Adapted from the Confession of 1967

CALL FOR OFFERING

Jesus calls us to feed his lambs and tend his sheep. Let us show and share our love through the offering of our lives.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY G2G #710 "We Lift Our Voices"

We lift our voices; we lift our hands;

We lift our lives up to You; we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands;

Lord, use our lives; they are Yours;

We are an offering; we are an offering.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Great God, to you we give our thanks; your steadfast love endures forever. With gratitude we bring our gifts to you. Bless us and our gifts, that our lives and our resources may be a source of healing and hope, of joy and justice in our world. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

We Carry the Word into the World

*HYMN#479 "Softly and Tenderly"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE G2G #543

"God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me"

God, be the love to search and keep me;

God, be the prayer to move my voice,

God, be the strength to now uphold me,

O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Until we meet again, may the peace of our Lord be with you.

And also with you. **Amen.**