



Psalm 62:5-12
Jonah 3:1-5, 10

January 22, 2012



FAIRLINGTON
PRESBYTERIAN
—CHURCH—

Welcome to Fairlington Presbyterian Church!

The Mission of Fairlington Presbyterian Church
is to be a Transforming Force for Good
in the World in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Green is the color for Ordinary Time in the Liturgical calendar. The term "Ordinary Time" may be misleading. In the context of the liturgical year the term "ordinary" does not mean "usual or average." Ordinary here means "not seasonal." Ordinary Time – which is counted in ordinal numbers -- is that part of the Liturgical Year that lies outside the seasons of Lent-Easter-Pentecost and Advent-Christmas. In Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the mystery of Christ not in one specific aspect but in all its aspects. Bible readings during of Ordinary time help to instruct us on how to live out our Christian faith in our daily lives.

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THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

January 22, 2012

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Cantilena" arr. Giacomo Puccini

WELCOME

Elder Lisa Miller

Please complete the tear-off on the back page of this bulletin and place it in the offering plate during the service.

INTROIT

^CALL TO WORSHIP

One: For God alone our souls wait in silence, for our hope comes from God.

All: God alone is our rock, our salvation, and our fortress.

One: We shall not be shaken.

All: God is our rock and our refuge.

One: Let us pour out our hearts before the Lord, who is our strength and shield.

▲HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 420

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

▲PRAYER OF ADORATION

Lisa Miller

CALL TO CONFESSION

Lisa Miller

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)

Holy Fountain of Forgiveness, the tale of Jonah reminds us of your never-ending love for all creation. Though you stand ready to forgive our sin, we find it easier to bite our tongues, clench our fists, and cling to our hurts and resentments rather than let you open our hearts. May we be like the people of Nineveh, who were able to acknowledge their sin and open their eyes to your healing presence. Gracious Lord, receive the pain that lurks in our humanity, as we offer up what we have hidden even from ourselves — those words and deeds that keep us separated from your love.

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

One: This is God's good news for us:

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

▲GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

No. 579

*Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen, Amen.*

PASSING THE PEACE

One: The Peace of the Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

Our children collect The Joyful Noise Offering and invite you to share any loose change you'd like to offer into their buckets. These gifts benefit children in Haiti and Alexandria.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Lisa Miller

1ST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 62:5-12

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One: This is the Word of the Lord

Many: Thanks be to God!

2ND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Rev. Braunstein

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

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SERMON

Rev. Braunstein

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

▲AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of the saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

▲ HYMN

No. 282

“If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee”

SHARING OUR OFFERINGS

Lisa Miller

OFFERTORY

“Canticle of Creation” arr. Mark Burrows

^DOXOLOGY

No. 591

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

^PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*Unison*)

God of abundance, all the things we have were yours before they were ours – your gifts to bring us joy and to meet our need. Let them now become our gifts to others – to bring them joy to meet their need. We ask this in Jesus name, and for his sake. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be the 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.**

WE FOLLOW GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN

No. 539

“Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

▲BENEDICTION

Rev. Braunstein

▲POSTLUDE

“*Canzona Detta L'Albergona*” arr. Antonio Mortaro

CHURCH INFORMATION

Elders

- (2012) Lisa Miller
Susan Winckler
(2013) Mary Olsen
Tracey Schroeder
Katherine Stickers
(2014) Joel Bednoski
Kenneth Gilbert

Deacons

- (2012) Ray Biegun
Hari Rao
Charlotte Ross
(2013) Andi Allen
Angela Anderson
Chris Hatfield
Ginny Hinders
(2014) Mary Virginia Andraos
Andrea Martin
Hillary Maxwell

Trustees

- (2012) Joe Andy
(2013) Elaine Halchin
(2014) Mark Anderson

Sunday, January 22

- 11:00am Morning Worship**
1:00pm CLC Worship
6:00pm Holy Grounds Service
7:00pm Session Meeting

Monday, January 23

- 6:00pm AA Meeting
6:30pm NA Meeting (Women)
7:00pm Deacon Meeting
8:00pm CLC

Tuesday, January 24

- 12:00pm CORE Class
6:00pm AA Meeting (Men)
7:00pm CORE Class

Wednesday, January 25

- 6:00pm AA Meeting (Men)
7:30pm OA/HOW Meeting

Thursday, January 26

- 12:00pm CORE Class
7:00pm CORE Class
7:30pm AA Meeting
7:30pm Choir Practice

Friday, January 27

- 6:00pm CLC Worship Service

Saturday, January 28

- 10:00am OA/HOW Meeting
11:00am NA Meeting (Women)

Next Sunday, January 29

- 11:00am Morning Worship**
1:00pm CLC Worship Service
6:00pm Holy Grounds Service

Bolded Items=FPC Events



CONSTRUCTION ZONE

STAIR LIFT: The stair lift installation has been completed! This lift is our first step in making the building more accessible. Individuals needing assistance will now gain access to the top floor, specifically the fellowship hall.

PAINTING: This week, the main level painting has been completed. Notice how fresh and clean the entrance, hallway, foyer, and stairwell are. Work continues this week on the second floor in the library and hallway.



Please watch your step!

DONATION: Grace In Motion, the company installing our stair lift, has generously donated two automatic lift/recliner chairs. Stop by the parlor to check out these new chairs. For safety reasons, the power cords are not left plugged in. If you want to use the lift feature for the chair, please see an usher to have the cord connected.

See the “Letter from Session” for more information!

Annual Congregational Meeting & Potluck



The annual congregational meeting and potluck will be held on January 29th, following the morning worship service.

The budget has been posted on the bulletin board and copies are available in the narthex. Please take a copy if you'd like to look and pray over it before the meeting.

Please plan to bring a side dish to share. Based on your last name, bring the dishes listed below.

A-G: Desserts

H-P: Fruit, Vegetable, Salad Dish

Q-Z: Other Side Dish

During the congregational meeting, we will electing two additional members to complete the Nominating Committee. Please consider if you or someone you know would like to serve in this capacity as we move forward together at Fairlington. If you are planning to nominate someone, please consult them to be sure that individual is willing to serve.

Childcare will be provided during the meeting.

CHURCH INFORMATION

FROM THE OFFICE

- **DEADLINE** for putting announcements in the bulletin is **12-NOON** on Wednesday; announcements turned in after this time will be carried over to the next week's bulletin.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

As the winter season comes to full swing, we wanted to let everyone know the plan in case of Sunday morning worship being cancelled due to bad weather. The main voicemail greeting will be updated by 8am Sunday morning if church will be cancelled. Call 703-931-7344 if you think it may be cancelled to find out.

ALIVE!

***A*lexandrians *In*Volved *Ec*umenically!**



On February 11th and 25th, Fairlington Presbyterian church is charge of the furniture delivery for ALIVE. We will need six strong volunteers to meet at First Christian Church at 8:00 am Saturday morning to pick up furniture and deliver to the needy in Alexandria. It is a great opportunities to see both sides of Alexandria and a learning experience for teens. Please call Beth McFarland at 703-256-7771 for more information.

LETTER FROM SESSION

Dear FPC Family,

Christ calls us to be good stewards, or caretakers, of the earth and its resources. He also calls us to be caretakers of our bodies, His church and its people. At FPC, we strive to be good stewards of missions, and we have a long tradition of supporting numerous throughout the world and in our community. This morning, we look at another important mission ... God's house. We want His place to be a welcoming, comfortable, and safe place to gather for worship and fellowship.

During the past few weeks, you may have noticed some changes within these walls. Thanks to the generosity of several members and the prudent financial management by our Trustees, we have launched the first phase of a renovation project that will enhance this beautiful building, protect it from further deterioration, and create a warm and inviting environment for all who enter through these doors.

Phase One of our painting project is complete; visit the upper level and see the transformation in the hallway and library! Cracked walls have been repaired and plastered. New carpeting and laminate flooring will soon be installed throughout the main and upper levels. The new Stair Lift, located in the middle stairwell, will provide easy transport upstairs and no longer excludes those who cannot use the stairs from church activities. Phase One will continue with a total renovation of the lower level ("basement"), resulting in a healthy and safe room for worship and study.

FPC has served its members and community for more than 65 years. Let us celebrate and continue that tradition! Let us welcome all who enter here and enrich their lives through God's spirit and love.

With blessings to you all,

Mary Olsen, Elder

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL

There are three Sunday School classes held during worship. We've been having a great time together and would love for your child(ren) to join us if they haven't already. Here are our current classes by age:

Sparks (PreK-K)

Feasting on the Word (1st-4th graders)

God Squad (5th graders & up)

To attend these classes, gather in the back of the church after the *Children's Story*.

VOLUNTEER WITH THE KIDS

We could use a few more volunteers to serve as aides and substitute teachers. Please contact Kelley O'Dell at:
kelley_odell@hotmail.com or (703) 824-8627

NURSERY

Child care is provided in the nursery beginning at 9:35 and lasting until 12:25. During worship, the nursery is for ages 0-2. Children may also remain with their parents in worship or in the parlor.

****We are in need of juice boxes, animal crackers, and hand wipes for the nursery****

Congregational Meeting and Potluck

On January 29th following our worship service we will join to have our constitutionally mandated Annual meeting. Now, don't make a face. Just because it is constitutionally mandated doesn't mean it won't be informative – and FUN! We will share a potluck luncheon. We'll have Honeybaked Ham on hand to compliment your offerings, so bring a dish to eat (with a little left over to share). Cindy Hiddemen (cindyhiddemen@comcast.net) and Ginny Hinders (vkhinders@yahoo.com) are helping coordinate the food. Don't hesitate to contact them directly. I'm also hoping we'll have a "photo booth" for those who wish to update (or add) their picture to our CCB database.

The purpose of the meeting is to go over the "State of The Community" and to finalize the election of our Nominating committee – which will be discerning who God might be calling to serve as leaders in this community. You'll hear what's happening with our Buildings & Grounds improvements, our Christian Education efforts, and the 2012 budget will also be presented. The Rev. Stephany Crosby, Chair of the Committee on Ministry Transitions Team, will speak of the "official" process as Fairlington moves into the future God has planned.

This is a marvelous opportunity for you to be updated on our progress and to ask questions of your pastor (that would be me!), the elders and Rev. Crosby, our Committee on Ministry Representative.

While only members are able to vote on the nominating committee nominations, all are welcome to come and fellowship with us and to see what the Lord is doing at Fairlington Presbyterian Church! I sincerely hope you will join us!

Grace and peace,
Leslianne



Greetings, All!

January 22, 2012

I can't tell you how many television commercials I watch that leave me scratching my head wondering, "what was that all about?" The GEICO pig? I don't get it. How do purveyors of services and merchandise expect me to part with my hard-earned dollars if I can't figure out what they're selling? Really.

The truth is the same principles apply to the church. There was a time in American culture when we assumed EVERYONE knew what we were about. There was a sort of partnership between the church and North American culture. Those days are no more. Today churches must be able to articulate a clear sense of purpose if they want to invite people to be part of the work God is doing through them.

If someone were to ask you what Fairlington's purpose is, what would you tell them?

Leslianne

Get Connected

New or Changed Information

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail (please print) _____ Phone _____

Prayer Concerns: _____

Confidential request for church staff only

(continued on reverse)

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Leslianne Braunstein Interim Pastor
 Jessica Danso Office Manager
 Michael Dennis..... Organist
 Chris Hatfield.....Choir Director
 Wes Mitchell Sexton



Get Connected

I want to participate:

- Become a Greeter
- Join the Choir
- Help with Worship Setup
- Become a Liturgist
- Volunteer in Office
- Teach/Aide in Children’s Class
- Prepare Meals
- Provide Rides
- Become a Member

The church also wants to serve you:

- Request Call Other: _____
- Request Visit _____
- Receive a meal _____