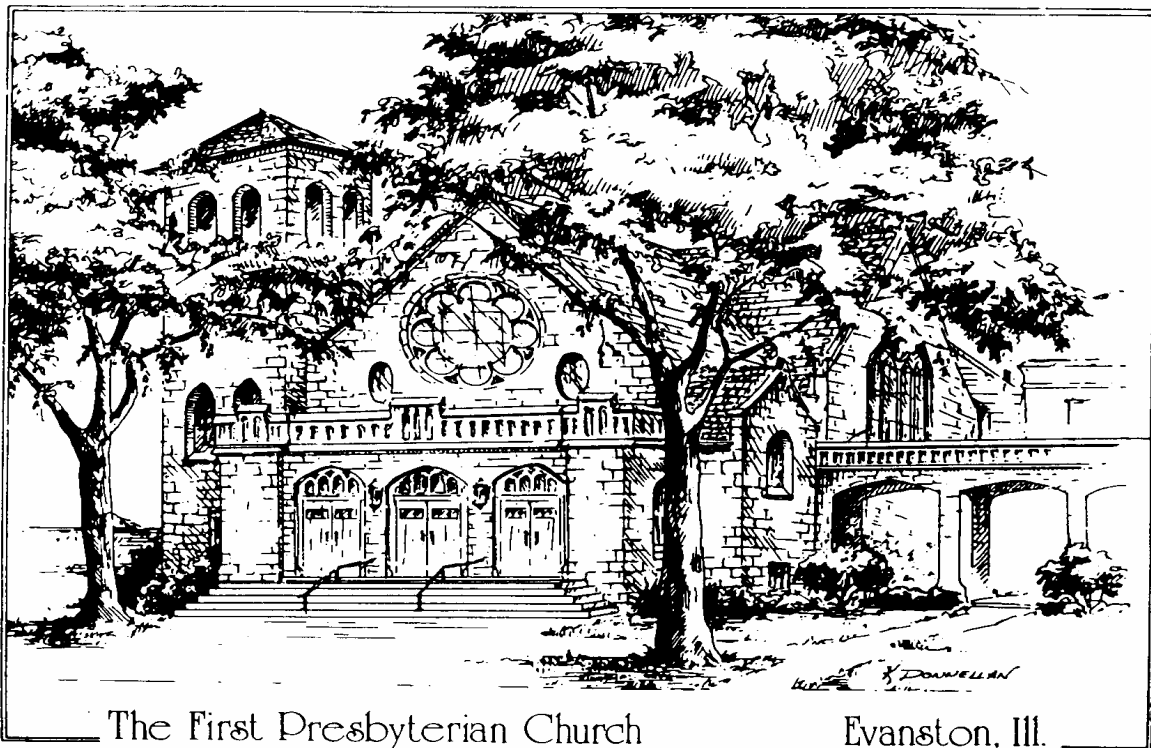


Sunday Worship

March 15, 2020



Our Mission Statement

***First Presbyterian Church of Evanston
exists to know Christ and to grow in him
as we serve and make disciples in Evanston,
the Chicago area, and the world.***

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FOCUS

March 15, 2020 – 10 a.m.

Third Sunday of Lent

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Opening Sentences

“Mercy, that is the gospel. The whole of it in one word.”

- E.H. Chapin, 1814-1880

Prelude

I Will Sing of My Redeemer
(Steve Martin)

EXALT

Call to Worship (Psalm 95:6; John 4:23)

All: O come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker.

The hour is coming and is now here.

In Spirit and truth, let us worship God.

** Please stand as you are able*

*** Assistive listening devices are available in the back of the sanctuary.*

Please return receivers at the end of the service.

Opening Hymn

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

*(Words: John Newton, 1779, alt.; Music: Blue # 446, Franz Joseph Hayden, 1797,
Desc. Michael E. Young, 1979)*

Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God.

God, whose Word cannot be broken
Formed thee for a blest abode.

On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river
Ever flows their thirst t'assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord, the Giver,
Never fails from age to age.

Savior, since of Zion's city
I through grace a member am,
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in Thy name.
Fading are the world's best pleasures,
All its boasted pomp and show;
Solid joys and lasting treasures
None but Zion's children know.

Prayer of Confession *John 5:24*

All: Lord, you know who we are.

You know everything we have done.

We thirst for things that will never satisfy us.

We commit ourselves to things that will never last.

We worship things that will never bring salvation.

Still, you offer us the gift of living water.

Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life.

Forgive us, O Lord,

and give us this living water,

so that we may never thirst again. Amen.

(People offer their own private silent prayers to the Lord)

Trisagion (Holy, Holy, Holy)

(Words: ancient Greek prayer c. before 451, "Agios o Theos," after Isaiah 6:3 & Revelation 4:8; Music: Fernando Ortega, 2011)

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy,
Have mercy on us.

Assurance of Pardon *Romans 5:8-10*

Leader: This is the good news of God's grace:

Though we were sinners,

Christ died for us.

Though we were enemies of God,

God loved us.

Once we were lost and dead--

now Christ has become our life and salvation.

Hear the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Beautiful Things*

(Words & Music: Lisa Gungor and Michael Gungor)

All this pain,
I wonder if I'll ever
find my way.
I wonder if my life
could really change at all.

All this earth,
could all that is lost
ever be found?
Could a garden come up
from this ground, at all?

You make beautiful things,
You make beautiful things
out of the dust.

You make beautiful things,
You make beautiful things
out of us.

All around,
hope is springing up
from this old ground.
Out of chaos,
life is being found in You.

You make beautiful things,
You make beautiful things
out of the dust.

You make beautiful things,
You make beautiful things
out of us.

You make beautiful things,
You make beautiful things
out of the dust.

You make beautiful things,
You make beautiful things
out of us.

You make me new,
You are making me new.
You make me new,
You are making me new.

You make beautiful things,
You make beautiful things
out of us.

Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace)*

*(Words & Music: Edwin Othello Excell, Joel Houston, John Newton, John P. Rees,
and Jonas Myrin, 2014)*

All these pieces,
broken and scattered,
in mercy gathered,
mended and whole;

Empty-handed,
but not forsaken,

I've been set free,
I've been set free.

Amazing grace,
how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me,

Oh, I once was lost
but now I am found,
was blind but now I see.

Oh, I can see You now,
oh, I can see the love
in Your eyes;
laying Yourself down,
raising up the broken to life.

You take our failure,
You take our weakness,
You set Your treasure
in jars of clay;

So take this heart, Lord,
I'll be Your vessel,
the world to see
Your life in me.

Amazing grace,
how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me,

Oh, I once was lost
but now I am found,
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ENCOUNTER

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Scripture

Matthew 8:23-27

And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. A windstorm arose on the sea, so great that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. And they went and woke him up, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" And he said to them, "Why are you afraid, you of little faith?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a dead calm. They were amazed, saying, "What sort of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him?"

Sermon

Jesus and Fear

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor

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Jesus Met the Woman at the Well

(Traditional Gospel;

*recorded by groups incl. Two Gospel Keys, 1947, Mahalia Jackson, 1955,
and Peter, Paul, and Mary, 1964)*

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

Fill My Cup*

Blue #350

(Words & Music: Isaiah Jones, Jr., 1969)

Fill my cup, let it overflow;
Fill my cup, let it overflow;
Fill my cup, let it overflow;
Let it overflow with love.

Lord, let me be Your instrument,
Spreading sunshine in the land;
Let people see Your works in me;
Help me live the best I can.

Fill my cup, let it overflow;
Fill my cup, let it overflow;
Fill my cup, let it overflow;
Let it overflow with love.

It's my desire to live for You
And to always walk upright;

Give me strength to face each day;
Stay with me through each dark night.

Fill my cup, let it overflow;
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Benediction

Postlude

Chaconne
(Louis Couperin)

Worship Service Leaders

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor, Welcome, Opening Prayer, Opening Sentences, Call to Worship, Scripture Reading, Sermon, Benediction

Rev. Henry Coates, Associate Pastor, Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon, Prayers of the People

Rebecca Chu, Organist

Crofton Coleman, Worship Band Director, Worship Leader & Keys; **Bryan Carmody & Elizabeth Bennett**, Worship Leaders;

Hannah McConnell, Dir. of Worship & Music, Worship Leader;

Daniel Allen, Worship Leader & Guitar; **Christie Miller**, Guitar & Mandolin; **Kon Savoy**, Drum Set

Noah McLeod, Guest A/V Coordinator

Zoe Myatt, A/V Volunteer

Jim Teague, Communications Coordinator & Live Stream Director