

First Presbyterian Evanston

Sunday Worship

September 6, 2020 – 10 a.m.
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

FOCUS

Prelude Brethren, We Have Met to Worship
*(tune: “Holy Manna,” attrib. William Moore, American folk hymn;
arr. Carolyn Hamlin, b. 1937)*

Welcome & Announcements

EXALT

Opening Hymn

How Great is Our God
*(Words & Music: Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves, 2004
CCLI Song # 4348399)*

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

How great is our God
Sing with me

How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

Name above all names
Worthy to be praised
My heart will sing
How great is our God

Prayer of Confession (*Psalm 51:1-12*)

All: Have mercy on me, O God,

according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.
For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.
Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.
You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.
(People offer their own private silent prayers to the Lord)

Assurance of Pardon *(1 John 1:9)*

Leader: "If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Friends, believe the Good News of the gospel:

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.
Amen.**

ENCOUNTER

Children's Moment

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Faith in Action

Scripture Romans 11:33-36

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

34 "For who has known the mind of the Lord?

Or who has been his counselor?"

35 "Or who has given a gift to him,
to receive a gift in return?"

36 For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever. Amen.

Sermon Ordering our labor

Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children & Youth

RESPOND

Offering

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

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 Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Closing Song

How Great Thou Art

(Words: Carl Gustav Boberg, 1885, English version by Stuart K. Hine, 1953;

Music: Swedish Folk Melody, harm. Stuart K. Hine, 1949;

CCLI Song # 14181)

O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made
I see the stars
I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r thru'out
The universe displayed

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art

When through the woods
And forest glades I wander
And hear the birds
Sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook
And feel the gentle breeze

And when I think
That God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die
I scarce can take it in
That on the cross
My burden gladly bearing
He bled and died
To take away my sin

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home
What joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim
My God how great Thou art

Benediction

Postlude

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(Music: Edouard Batiste, 1820-1876)

Worship Service Leaders

Rebecca Chu, Organist, Prelude & Postlude

Caryl Weinberg, Director of Missions, Welcome

Crofton Coleman, Worship Band Director, Keyboards, Vocals,
Video & Audio Editing – Opening Song

Hannah Dixon McConnell, Dir. Of Worship & Music,
Confession of Sins & Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Henry Coates, Associate Pastor, Children's Moment

Verna Todd, Scripture Reading

Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children & Youth,
Sermon, Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, Benediction

Bryan Carmody, The Apostles' Creed

Jim Teague, Communications Coordinator, Faith in Action,
Apostle's Creed, Video Editing, Slides

Virtual Choir: Elizabeth Scoble Bennett, Allison Deady, Paul Koch, John MacDonald, Darshaya Oden, Ben Perri, Clark Robinson, Carol & Steve Smith, Kay Sugiura, Verna Todd,
Closing Hymn

Robert McConnell, Piano, Video & Audio Editing – Closing
Hymn

Tina Laughlin, Percussion, Closing Hymn

Neal Ostrovsky, A/V Coordinator, Sound Equalization

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as we serve and make disciples in Evanston,
the Chicago area, and the world.***

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