

First Presbyterian Evanston

Sunday Worship

January 10, 2021 – 10 a.m.

Baptism of the Lord

FOCUS

Prelude

O Jesus, I Have Promised

(Carolyn Hamlin, b. 1957)

O Jesus, I have promised
To serve Thee to the end;
Be Thou forever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If Thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If Thou wilt be my Guide.

Welcome & Announcements

EXALT

Opening Hymn

Thy Strong Word

(Words: Martin H. Franzmann, 1907-1976;

Music: Thomas J. Williams, 1869-1944, arr. Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923;

OneLicense Song #58290)

Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
At thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank thee,
While thine ordered seasons run.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of thy salvation,
Breathed thine own life-breathing breath.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;
Bright with thine own holiness,
Glorious now, we press toward glory,
And our lives our hopes confess.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!

God the Father, light-creator,
To thee laud and honor be.
To thee, Light of Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.
Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
Glory, glory be to thee.

Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the holy Trinity!

Prayer of Confession

All: Gracious God our Father, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment and fear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be transformed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

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

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, though our sins be great, the mercy of our Lord is greater!

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

All: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

ENCOUNTER

Children's Moment

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Scripture

Acts 19:1-7

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. 2 He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?” They replied, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” 3 Then he said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They answered, “Into John’s baptism.” 4 Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.” 5 On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 6 When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— 7 altogether there were about twelve of them.

Sermon

Taking the next step

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor

RESPOND

Sharing of Tithes & Offerings

Installation of New Officers

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy 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. Amen.

Closing Song Cornerstone

*(Words: Edward Mote; Music: William Batchelder Bradbury;
arr. Jonas Myrin, Reuben Morgan, Eric Liljeroand, 2011;
CCLI Song #6158927)*

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

He is Lord Lord of all

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

Benediction

Postlude

Three Kings
(Rebecca Chu, b. 1962)

Worship Service Leaders

Rebecca Chu, Organ, Prelude & Postlude

Hannah McConnell, Dir. Of Worship & Music, Welcome & Announcements, Opening Hymn

Robert McConnell, Opening Hymn

Rev. Henry Coates, Associate Pastor, Confession & Assurance

Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children & Youth, Children's Moment

Dane Watkins, Scripture Reading

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor, Sermon, Benediction

Caryl Weinberg, Director of Missions, Prayers of the People

Daniel Allen, Guitar, **Elizabeth Scoble Bennett**, Vocals, **Tina**

Laughlin, Percussion, **Christie Miller**, Clarinet, **Kon Savoy**,

Drum Set, **Crofton Coleman**, Worship Band Director,

Keyboards, Vocals, Video & Audio Editing – Closing Song

Jim Teague, Director of Communications, Video Editing,

Slides, Bass Guitar

Neal Ostrovsky, A/V Coordinator, Sound Equalization

Sally Ivaska & Bob Sefton, Zoom Prayer Companions

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.***

First Presbyterian Church

1427 Chicago Avenue, Evanston, IL 60201

(847) 864-1472 Fax:(847) 864-1494

E-mail address: info@firstpresevanston.org

www.firstpresevanston.org

Texts in today's service are reproduced by permission from the following: Presbyterian Hymnal: Hymns, Psalms, and Spiritual Songs. Copyright 1990. Westminster/John Knox Press, CCLI License #253526. OneLicense #A-804550.