

First Presbyterian Evanston

Sunday Worship

March 7, 2021 – 10 a.m.
3rd Sunday in Lent

FOCUS

Prelude

A Grateful Heart

(Words: George Herbert, 1593-1633; Music: Mary Plumstead, 1905-1980)

Thou that hast given so much to me
Give one thing more, a grateful heart.
Not thankful when it pleaseth me,
As if thy blessings had spare days:
But such a heart whose pulse may be thy praise.
Thou that hast given so much to me
Give one thing more, a grateful heart.

Welcome & Announcements

EXALT

Opening Hymn

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

(Words: Thomas à Kempis, 15th c., transl. Benjamin Webb, 1854, alt.; Music: "The Agincourt Song," c. 1415, harm. Alfred V. Fedak, 1993; CCLI Song #748237)

O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
Beyond all thought and fantasy,
That God, the Son of God, should take
Our mortal form for mortals' sake.

For us baptized, for us He bore
His holy fast and hungered sore;
For us temptations sharp He knew,
For us, the tempter overthrew.

For us by wickedness betrayed,
For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
He bore the shameful cross and death;
For us gave up His dying breath.

For us He rose from death again;
For us He went on high to reign;
For us He sent His Spirit here
To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

All glory to our Lord and God,
For love so deep, so high, so broad:
The Trinity whom we adore
Forever and forevermore.

Prayer of Confession

All: Lord of all the ages, we are in awe of your patience throughout history. You do not faint or grow weary, and your understanding is unsearchable. We confess however, that we are not like you. We are impatient, and we easily tire of being faithful. Forgive us, we pray, for accepting shortcuts and embracing compromise that defeats your truth. It is by your design and it is no accident that we are living here – and living right now. Forgive us for whining and complaining about how awful things are instead of living as children who walk

in your light. Forgive us for not being willing to see how you are at work, even in these difficult times. Give us your eyes to see you, even as we confess our sins and our lack of faith. For we ask it in the name of Jesus, the one who was and who is and who shall forever be our savior. Amen

Leader: Let us offer our silent prayers to God.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The Bible reminds us of the joy of forgiveness: “Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those in whose spirit there is no deceit.”

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

ENCOUNTER

Children’s Moment

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Scripture

John 2:13-22

13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. 15 Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. 16 He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out

of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" 17 His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." 18 The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" 19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20 The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" 21 But he was speaking of the temple of his body. 22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Sermon From the inside out: Your priority
Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor

RESPOND

Song of Response The Heart of Worship
(Words & Music: Matt Redman, 1999, CCLI Song # 2296522)

When the music fades all is stripped away.
And I simply come
Longing just to bring something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart

I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You all about You Jesus

I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You all about You Jesus

King of endless worth no one could express
How much You deserve
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours
Ev'ry single breath

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have required
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Sharing of Tithes & Offerings

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 I am the Bread of Life

*(Words & Music: Suzanne Toolan, RSM, 1966, rev.,
after John 6:35, 44, 51, 53, 11:25; One License Song #44)*

“I am the bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger,
And who believe in Me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
Unless the Father beckons.”

“And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up
On the last day.”

“I am the resurrection;
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
Even though you die,
You shall live forever.”

“And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up
On the last day.”

“Yes, Lord, I believe
That you are the Christ,
The Son of God,
Who has come
Into the world.”

“And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up
On the last day.”

Benediction

Postlude When in Our Music God is Glorified

(Sue Mitchell Wallace, b. 1944)

Worship Service Leaders

Ben Perri, Organ, Chancel Choir Section Leader, Prelude, Opening Hymn & Closing Song

Rev. Henry Coates, Associate Pastor, Welcome

Allison Deady, Paul Koch, Darshaya Oden, Chancel Choir Section Leaders, Opening Hymn & Closing Song

Christie Miller, Clarinet, Opening Hymn, Closing Song

Tina Laughlin, Percussion, Opening Hymn, Song of Response, Closing Song

Rebecca Chu, Organ, Opening Hymn, Closing Song, Postlude

Hannah McConnell, Dir. Of Worship & Music, Vocals, Piano, Audio & Video Editing, Opening Hymn & Closing Song

Caryl Weinberg, Director of Missions, Confession

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

LeRoy Klemt, Scripture Reading

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor, Sermon, Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, Benediction

Crofton Coleman, Worship Band Director, Keyboards, Vocals, Video & Audio Editing, Song of Reponse

Allison Allen & Judith Hylton, Vocals, **Daniel Allen & Fred**

Bryant, Guitars, **Erwin Yasukawa**, Bass Guitar, Song of Response

FPCE Our Families Our Children, Apostles' Creed

Aubrey Leahman, Concept and Audio & Video Editing, Apostles' Creed

Jim Teague, Director of Communications, Service Video Editing, Slides

Neal Ostrovsky, A/V Coordinator, Sound Equalization

TBD, Zoom Prayer Companions

Mission Statement

***First Presbyterian Church of Evanston
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as we serve and make disciples in Evanston,
the Chicago area, and the world.***

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