

First Presbyterian Evanston

September 5, 2021 – 10 a.m.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

FOCUS

Prelude

Worthy of Worship

(Music: Carolyn Hamlin, b. 1952)

Welcome & Announcements

EXALT

Opening Song

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

(Words & Music: Phil Wickham, Jeremy Riddle, & Josh Farro, 2012, CCLI Song #117947)

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
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Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

All: Merciful God, we confess to you now that we have sinned. We confess the sins that no one knows and the sins that everyone knows. We confess the sins that are a burden to us and the sins that do not bother us because we have grown used to them. We confess our sins as a church. We have not loved one another as Christ loved us. We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven. We have not given ourselves in love and service for the world as Christ gave himself for us. In your mercy, forgive us. Send the Holy Spirit to us, that he may give us power to live as, by your mercy, you have called us to live. We pray all this and our silent prayers of confession in the name of Jesus. Lord, hear our prayers.

(Time of silent confession.)

Leader: Psalm 146 says, "The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed

9 The Lord watches over the strangers;
he upholds the orphan and the widow,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

10 The Lord will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, for all generations.
Praise the Lord!

Sermon Our chief end is to glorify God
Rev. Henry Coates, Associate Pastor

RESPOND

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

All who are truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desire to live in obedience to Him, are invited to take communion.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Prayer)...

And so with all the company of heaven we lift up the song of your everlasting praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(Prayer)...

who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,

broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me:' After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me:'

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

(Prayer)...

Amen.

Communion Anthem Behold the Lamb

(Words & Music: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, & Stuart Townend, 2007; CCLI Song #5003372)

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
Slain for us, and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice,
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
Torn for you, eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one.

So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King.
The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,

Shed for you, drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God.

So we share in this Bread of Life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.

As we share in His suffering,
We proclaim Christ will come again
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King,
Around the table of the King.

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

(Blue Hymnal #467; 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 throughout 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;

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!

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;

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 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!

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!

Benediction

Postlude

Prelude in G minor

(J.S. Bach, 1685-1750)

Today's Worship Service Leaders

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor, Welcome

Caryl Weinberg, Dir. of Mission, Confession & Assurance, Communion Server

Rev. Henry Coates, Associate Pastor, Sermon, Sharing of Tithes, Benediction

Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children and Youth, Children's Message & Peace

Marge Stromberg, Scripture Reading

Bob Bastian, Rick Parris, Rick Warnecke, Elders, Communion Servers

Rebecca Chu, Organ & Piano, Prelude, Communion Anthem, Closing Hymn, Postlude

Crofton Coleman, Worship Band Dir., Vocals, Piano, Opening Song, Communion Anthem

Fred Bryant, Guitar; **Christie Miller**, Clarinet & Mandolin; **Erwin Yasukawa**, Bass; **Kon Savoy**,
Drums; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion; Worship Band

Hannah Dixon McConnell, Dir. of Worship & Music, Communion Anthem

Noah McLeod, Interim A/V Coordinator

Jim Teague, Communications Director, Projection

Jake Collins, A/V Volunteer, Live Stream

John Carlson, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat

Aaron Budoff, Building Team

Prayer Companions: Sharon Smith & Eugenia Jeong

First Pres Announcements

Lemonade on the Lawn, TODAY - Join us today, outside, after the service as our Deacons host our Sunday social gathering.

Prayer Gathering this Wednesday on Zoom - Our bi-monthly prayer gathering takes place on Zoom this Wednesday at 7 p.m. See the event details on our website.

Worship services will move to 9:30 a.m. next week - We will begin our fall schedule on Sunday, September 12. That day and going forward our Sunday services will begin at 9:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted. We will have a celebration time on the lawn hosted by the Deacons, and families with children are invited to gather in Roy Hall that morning after the service to learn all about the fall plans. Adult and Children's Education classes will begin September 19 at 11 a.m.

Join Pop-Up Choir and sing September 12 - Come be one of our friendly singers leading congregational songs & a tuneful anthem for our worship service on September 12. To do so, join us at **any two** of these masked & socially distanced one-hour rehearsals. Learn more online, including the dates and times of the rehearsals, in the News & Notes on our home page.

Bright Stars Gala watch party September 18 - Please join First Presbyterian Evanston for a watch party in support of the Bright Stars Bethlehem 2021 Virtual Gala on Saturday, September 18. The evening will begin at FPCE at 6 p.m. with a delicious Palestinian Dinner. We will then watch the Gala together at 7 p.m. More info is online under News & Notes!

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



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