

# First Presbyterian Evanston

**February 20, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.**  
**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## **FOCUS**

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### **Prelude**

If God Be for Us

*(Words: Romans 8:31, 33-34, curated by Charles Jennens, 1741; Music: G.F. Handel, 1741)*

*If God be for us, who can be against us? Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again. Who is at the right hand of God, Who makes intercession for us.*

### **Welcome & Announcements**

## **EXALT**

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### **Opening Song**

Oh, Happy Day

*(Words & Music: Edwin R. Hawkins, 1969)*

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)

When Jesus washed,

Oh, when he washed

When Jesus washed,

He washed the sins away.

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)

He taught me how to watch,

Fight and pray

Fight and pray

And live rejoicing

Ev'ry day

Ev'ry day

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)  
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)  
When Jesus washed  
He washed my sins away (Oh, happy day)  
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)

He taught me how to watch,  
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### **Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon**

**All: Gracious and faithful God, your love is extravagant, your care is unending, and your gifts are abundant. You have entrusted your many blessings to us so we might use them wisely and be a blessing to others. Yet we often squander those blessings, we abuse your grace, and we grow indifferent to your love. We confess our self-centeredness, our greed, and our need for control. We confess all our sins before you and ask again for your forgiveness. Cleanse our cold and stingy hearts by the power of your Spirit. Heal us and redeem us to become the**

**people you created us to be. Thank you for the hope of new life, found solely in Jesus Christ your son. And now please hear our silent prayers of confession.**

*(Time of silent confession.)*

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

**Song of Response**

Fall Down

*(Words & Music: Christopher Mazer, 2014)*

Holy Spirit fall down

Holy Spirit fall down

We are waiting earnestly

Fall down on us

Fall down on us

Bread of Heaven fall down

Bread of Heaven fall down

We are waiting earnestly

Fall down on us

Fall down on us

Songs of Zion fall down  
Songs of Zion fall down  
We are waiting earnestly  
Fall down on us  
Fall down on us

Send Your direction  
Send Your direction  
We are waiting earnestly  
Fall down on us  
Fall down on us

Send Your direction  
Send Your direction  
We are waiting earnestly  
Fall down on us  
Fall down on us

Fall down on us  
Fall down on us

## **ENCOUNTER**

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### **Children's Moment & Passing the Peace of Christ**

#### **Faith in Action – Mission Prayer**

##### **Scripture**

Ephesians 6:10-20

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness,

against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. 14 Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. 15 As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. 16 With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

18 Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. 19 Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

## **Sermon**

The Greatness of God

*Prayer: Face to Face with God*

*Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor*

## **RESPOND**

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### **Sharing of Tithes and Offerings**

### **Song of Response**

Open the Eyes of My Heart

*(Words & Music: Paul Baloche, 1997; CCLI Song #2298355)*

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

Open the eyes of my heart Lord  
Open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You  
I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up  
Shining in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
As we sing holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy  
You are holy, holy, holy  
Holy, holy, holy  
I want to see You

Holy, holy, holy  
You are holy, holy, holy  
Holy, holy, holy  
I want to see You

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I want to see You  
I want to see You

### **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**

## God Be with You

*(Words & Music: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1940; Arrangement: Crofton Coleman, 2022)*

God be with you  
God be with you  
God be with you  
until we meet again,  
God be with you  
God be with you  
God be with you  
until we meet again,

If we never more shall meet  
If we never more shall greet  
God be with you  
Until we meet again,  
Keep on working for the master  
He will hear you  
He will answer  
God be with you  
Until we meet again

God be with you  
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### **Choral Benediction**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You – Choir/Rebecca?

*(Peter Lutkin, 1858-1931)*

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord lift his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace,  
and give you peace.  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,  
and be gracious,  
and be gracious;  
the Lord be gracious, gracious unto you.  
Amen.

### **Postlude**

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

*(Peter Lutkin, 1858-1931)*

### Today's Worship Service Leaders

**Crofton Coleman**, Worship Band Dir., Vocals, Piano; **Erwin Yasukawa**, Bass; Worship Band

**Dr. Rebecca Chu**, Organist

**Chancel Choir**, Songs & Choral Benediction

**Hannah Dixon McConnell**, Dir. of Worship & Music, Welcome, Children's Message & Peace, Choir Director

**Caryl Weinberg**, Dir. of Mission, Confession & Assurance, Sharing of Tithes

**Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton**, Senior Pastor, Sermon, Sharing of Tithes

**Nelda Hobbs**, Video Scripture Reading

**LeRoy Klemt**, Prayers of the People

**Noah McLeod**, Interim A/V Coordinator, Audio Mixing

**Jim Teague**, Communications Director, Children's Message & Peace, Projection

**John Carlson**, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat

**Qin Zhou**, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat

**Joe Sickles**, Building Team

**Carol Clanton, Stephanie Keene, Marcia Smith**, Ushers & Greeters

**Evan Fojtik, Sharon Smith**, Prayer Companions

### First Pres Announcements

**Fellowship time in Roy Hall, TODAY** - Join us today after the service in our 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor gym as the Deacons host our Sunday socially-distanced gathering.

**The annual meeting of the congregation will take place in the sanctuary NEXT Sunday, approximately 10 minutes after the conclusion of our 9:30 a.m. worship service. Childcare will be provided!**

**Ash Wednesday dinner and service March 2** - Come celebrate the beginning of Lent together at 5:30 p.m., March 2, in the dining room. Then join us for our 7 p.m. service in the Sanctuary. More details on the website.

**Reunite with the item you loved & lost** - Lost and Found items are displayed on tables in the 1st floor hallway until February 27, after which the unclaimed items will be donated to other worthy recipients.

**The Library is open!** - Check out the new look! We're open whenever the church is open.

### Christian Education & Childcare

**The Nursery is open from 9:30 a.m. to noon.**

**Youth/Children's Education – Sundays at 11 a.m.**

**Pre-K through 5th Grade** meets on the 3rd Floor.

**6th through 8th Grade** meets on the 3rd Floor.

**Confirmation Class** meets in Room 206.

**Youth Group** meets from 4 to 6 p.m.

**Adult Education – Sundays at 11 a.m.**

**No Class today!** Our next class begins March 6 and looks at the Book of James. See the FPCE website for information about the class and its resources.

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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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February 20, 2022

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Your Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Family members' names/ages

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address, City, State, Zip

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Phone:     Cell     Home

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email address

Send me the weekly E-newsletter

First time visitor

Occasional attendee

Regular attendee/member

Single

Married

Have children at home

Junior/High School student

College student/Graduate student

I'm interested in:

Knowing Jesus better

I need prayer or support

I would like to speak with a pastor

Joining a Small Group

Joining the Welcome Team

Worship Music Team

Sound/AV/Video Team

Prayer Team

Becoming a Member

I need a Stephen Minister

Communion at home suggested for  
\_\_\_\_\_ (name)

Please pray for:

*(This is shared with pastors & confidential prayer team)*