

First Presbyterian Evanston

April 3, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

FOCUS

Prelude

Make Me a Servant

(Words & Music: Crofton Coleman; CCLI Song #33131)

*There's a wound in the world, And it runs cold and deep, Many tears, trials,
and fears, Many weary and weak. Wherever Your spirit leads, Lord, let me fill
the need, Make me a servant today.*

*There's a growing divide, Pulling strong as the sea, As the ways of the world
weigh down on you and me. Lord, where Your presence abides, God, let me give
my life; Jesus, in Your name, I pray.*

*Make me a servant, Lord, Make me a servant, Lord! May I be humble and meek,
Use me to lift up the weak, oh, Make me a servant today.*

*Make me a servant, Lord, Make me a servant, Lord. May the prayer of my heart
always be, Make me a servant today.*

*By your grace I am changed, By your mercy, made whole, By Your Son's
sacrifice, soothed my strife, saved my soul. You led me out of the night. Lord, I
give You my life. Make me a servant today.*

*There is hope in Your name. There is power in Your blood, We have faith by
Your grace love shall outlast the flood. Lord, where Your mercy may move, Let
me give all to You, Jesus in Your name I pray. Make me a servant, Lord...*

Welcome & Announcements

EXALT

Opening Hymn

Cornerstone

(Words & Music: Jonas Myrin, Reuben Morgan, Eric Liljero, 2011, original lyrics by Edward Mote, 1834, tune "Solid Rock" by William Batchelder Bradbury, 1863, arr. FPCE Praise Band, 2021; 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.

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Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
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Christ alone, Cornerstone,
Weak made strong in the Savior'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 ev'ry high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.
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Christ alone, Cornerstone,
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.
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He is Lord, Lord of all.

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Weak made strong in the Savior'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 along,
Faultless stand before the throne.

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Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

All: Holy God, we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in the church, and in the world. We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol. Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others. Wanting to control things, we hoard the gifts you give us. Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others. Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice. Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world, with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

(Time of silent confession.)

Leader: The apostle Paul reminds us that we do not make ourselves righteous. Our righteousness comes through faith in Christ, who made us his own. Hear the good news!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Song of Confession

O God, Will You Restore Us

(Words: Psalm 80:19, Psalm 85:10, Isaiah 58:6;

Music: Isaac Wardell, from Lamentations by Bifrost Arts, 2016)

O God, will You restore us,
and grant us Your salvation?

O God, will You restore us,
and grant us Your salvation?

*"Here is the fast I choose -
To loosen the bonds of the oppressed
And break their chains.
Let righteousness and justice go out before you,
Then you will call out and I will hear."*

O God, will You restore us,
and grant us Your salvation?

O God, will You restore us,
and grant us Your salvation?

Song of Response Make Me a Servant

(Words & Music: Kelly Willard, 1982; CCLI Song #33131)

Make me a servant, humble and meek.
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be:
Make me a servant, make me a servant,
Make me a servant today.

ENCOUNTER

Children's Moment & Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture

Philippians 3:4-14

⁴ even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh.
If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵
circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of
the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a
Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness
under the law, blameless.

⁷ Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss
because of Christ. ⁸ More than that, I regard everything as loss
because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.
For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them
as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him,
not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but
one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God
based on faith. ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his

resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹² Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Sermon

Christ-Centered

Walking the Path: Choices for Every Disciple of Jesus

Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children & Youth

RESPOND

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Confirmation & Sacrament of Baptism

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 all the company of heaven as we join the unending hymn.

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)...Great is the mystery of faith.

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

(Prayer)...Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Communion Anthem Soul Desire

(Words & Music: Niles Borop & Mark Baldwin, recorded by Deniece Williams, 1986)

Lord, when you placed Your hands upon me I knew that I would never be the same. For in that moment I became your servant, And since that day I only have one aim:

My soul desire is to be used - An empty vessel longing to be filled by You. My soul desire is to serve You, Lord, To do Your perfect will, To work each day and build Your Kingdom: This is my soul desire.

Lord, I do not seek to claim the glory. I only wish to be under Your control. For I know that You alone are worthy, And it's You who placed this longing in my soul. My soul desire...

Prayer after Communion

Closing Song

Yes, Lord, Yes

(Words & Music: Lynn Keesecker, 1983; CCLI Song #12224)

I'll say, "Yes, Lord, yes" to Your will and to Your way;
I'll say, "Yes, Lord, yes," I will trust You and obey.
When the Spirit speaks to me,
With my whole heart I'll agree,
And my answer will be, "Yes, Lord, yes!"

Lord, I give You all the glory for all You've given me,
You have filled my life until I overflow;
All I have is Yours to use
In any way You choose,
You are Lord of all so how can I say, "No?"

So I'll say, "Yes, Lord, yes" to Your will and to Your way;
I'll say, "Yes, Lord, yes," I will trust You and obey.
When the Spirit speaks to me,
With my whole heart I'll agree,
And my answer will be, "Yes, Lord, yes!"

If I never knew the fullness of living in Your will,
I would never know how rich my life could be;
Lord, my willingness to serve
Is the least that you deserve,
For the blessings You have showered over me.

So I'll say, "Yes, Lord, yes" to Your will and to Your way;
I'll say, "Yes, Lord, yes," I will trust You and obey.
When the Spirit speaks to me,
With my whole heart I'll agree,
And my answer will be, "Yes, Lord, yes!"

Benediction

Postlude

Sing to Jesus

(Words & Music: Fernando Ortega & Rich Nibbe, 2002, CCLI Song #3469389)

*Come and see, Look on this mystery: The Lord of the universe Nailed
to a tree. Christ our God, Spilling His holy blood, Bowing in anguish
His sacred head.*

Sing to Jesus, Lord of our shame, Lord of our sinful hearts, He is our great Redeemer. Sing to Jesus, Honor His name, Sing of His faithfulness, Pouring His life out unto death.

Come you weary, And He will give you rest. Come, you who mourn, Lay on His breast. Christ who died, Risen in paradise, Giver of mercy, Giver of life.

Sing to Jesus, His is the throne; Now and forever He is the King of heaven. Sing to Jesus, we are His own. Now and forever Sing for the love our God has shown.

Sing to Jesus, Lord of our shame, Lord of our sinful hearts, He is our great Redeemer. Sing to Jesus, honor His name.

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Today's Worship Service Leaders

Crofton Coleman, Worship Band Dir., Vocals, Piano; **Erwin Yasukawa**, Bass; **Christie Miller**, Acoustic Guitar; **Kon Savoy**, Drums; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion; Worship Band
Hannah Dixon McConnell, Dir. of Worship & Music, Welcome, Vocals, Piano
Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children & Youth, Confession & Assurance, Children's Message & Peace, Sermon, Sharing of Tithes, Communion
Zadie Ivaska, Scripture Reading
Bryan Carmody, Tuah Jenta, Nancy Sadek, Communion Servers

Evan Peters, A/V Coordinator, Live Audio
Noah McLeod, Interim A/V Coordinator, Live Audio
Jake Collins, A/V Volunteer, Live Stream Technical Director
John Carlson, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat
Trudy Delfosse Wenger, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat
Alexis Langlois, A/V Volunteer, Projection/Audio
Qin Zhou, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat
Joe Sickles, Building Team
Tony Brown, Carol Clanton, Marcia Smith, Ushers
Sally Ivaska & Sharon Smith, Prayer Companions

Christian Education & Childcare

The Nursery will be open from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

Youth/Children's Education - 11 a.m. Sunday Morning
Pre-K through 4th Grade meets on the 3rd floor.
5th through 8th Grade meets in the Choir room.
Confirmation Class meets in Room 206.

Youth Group meets 4-6 p.m.

Adult Education - Sundays at 11 a.m.
'The James Code' Class - Meets in Room 213 and on Zoom.

First Pres Announcements

We take our bi-monthly Deacons' Offering this morning – Envelopes are provided for you to designate a separate gift apart from your regular donation.

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

'The James Code' Adult Ed class continues today at 11 a.m. – Our adult education class, taught by Michael Allen, co-founder and chief strategy officer of Together Chicago, meets today in Room 213 at 11 a.m. This course will focus on the letter of James, with supplemental reading from *The James Code: 52 Scripture Principles for Putting Your Faith into Action*, by O.S. Hawkins. Copies of the book are available by loan from the FPCE Library.

Taizé Service this Wednesday at 7 p.m. - Please join us in person or via Zoom for our Taizé Worship Service, held in the Parlor at 7 p.m. on Wednesday. This one-hour service of contemplative simple song, Scripture reading, and prayer is a meaningful way to walk with Christ and each other on our Lenten journeys. If you are not able to join us in person, you can join via Zoom. The final Taizé Service of this Lenten season will be held April 6.

Seeking donations for Easter Sunday Egg Hunt - The Our Families, Our Children Council is collecting donations of plastic Easter eggs, individually wrapped candy, or small prizes. Donations should be labeled for Pastor Amanda and dropped off at the front desk.

FREE Family Easter Kit from First Pres - Filled with activities, songs, and a recipe, too, this booklet will help you create meaningful memories with the entire family during the Lenten season! A limited number of printed versions are available at the front desk, or you can download them from the website.

Holy Week Workshop, April 10 - Join us in Roy Hall on April 10 from 11-Noon as the Our Families, Our Children Council hosts a workshop for everyone designed to inspire us to take a deep dive into the meaning of Good Friday, the events of Holy Week, and Easter Sunday.

April 10 deadline for Floral Remembrances - Easter Floral Remembrances are available - sign up and/or donate by Sunday, April 10. Easter lilies and floral plants will be placed on the Chancel this Easter in memory of loved ones. Forms to submit names are available at the front desk and donations can be made in person or on the First Pres website. Learn more by visiting the "Easter Floral Remembrance" item in News & Notes. You may "sponsor" a lily for \$15 which our Deacons will deliver to one of our homebound members.

Palm Sunday/Holy Week 2022 Schedule at First Pres

Palm Sunday **April 10, 9:30 a.m.**
(Holy Week Workshop, 11 a.m. – Noon, Roy Hall)

Maundy Thursday **April 14, 7 p.m.**

Good Friday **April 15, 7 p.m.**

Easter Sunday **April 17, 9:30 a.m.**

All services will be held in the First Pres Sanctuary AND online at <https://live.firstpresevanston.org>.

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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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Your Name

Family members' names/ages

Street Address, City, State, Zip

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)