

First Presbyterian Evanston

May 29, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

FOCUS

Prelude

Seek Ye First

(Words & Music: Karen Lafferty, 1972, arr. Rebecca Chu; CCLI Song #1352)

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,
and all these things will be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.*

Welcome & Announcements

EXALT

Introit (*Psalm 97:1, 9-12*)

The LORD is king! Let the earth rejoice;

let the many coastlands be glad!

For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth;

you are exalted far above all gods.

The LORD loves those who hate evil;

he guards the lives of his faithful;

he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

Light dawns for the righteous,

and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous,

and give thanks to his holy name!

Opening Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (*Blue Hymnal #376*)

(Words: Charles Wesley, 1747; Music: Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831)

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation,
Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit,
Let us find the promised rest;
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its beginning,
Set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver,
Let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above;
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,
Glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish, then, Thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory,

Till in heav'n we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

All: Almighty Father, we enter your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from you and from others. We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused that make it difficult for others to forgive us. We confess the times we have made it easy for others to do wrong; the harm we have done that makes it even hard to forgive ourselves. Please have mercy, Lord, and forgive us through Jesus Christ our Lord. And now in silence we offer our personal prayers of confession.

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

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear these words of assurance from Isaiah 53: "But he [Jesus] was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed."

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

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

ENCOUNTER

Children's Moment

Dedication of Eden Joy Nix

Passing the Peace of Christ

Baptismal Hymn

Children of the Heavenly Father

(Words: Carolina Sandell-Berg, 1855; trans. Ernst Olsen, 1925; Music: tune "Tryggare kan ingen vara," Swedish folk song; One License #123517)

Children of the heav'nly Father
Safely in His bosom gather;
Nestling bird nor star in heaven
Such a refuge e'er was given.

God His own doth tend and nourish;
In His holy courts they flourish.
From all evil things He spares them;
In His mighty arms He bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever
From the Lord His children sever;
Unto them His grace He showeth,
And their sorrows all He knoweth.

Though He giveth or He taketh,
God His children ne'er forsaketh;
His the loving purpose solely
To preserve them pure and holy.

Minute for Mission – Overseas Missionary Fellowship

Scripture

1 Peter 4:7-11

⁷The end of all things is near; therefore be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. ⁸Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹Be hospitable to one another without complaining. ¹⁰Like good

stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. ¹¹ Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

Sermon

Hospitality

Created for Community: Attachment & Christian Formation
Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children & Youth

RESPOND

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Anthem

All Ye Refugees

(Words & Music: Chelsea Scott, Flo Paris, Kellie Haddock, 2014; CCLI Song #7037097)

I am the One
The earth is My handmade work
The skies I laid them wide, beauty unfurled
Horizon to horizon,
Creation to creation sings you home

Welcome home,
Gather round,
All ye refugees, come in.
Welcome home,
Gather round,
All ye refugees, come in.

Oh refugee,
I did not cast you out.
In death and broken ground, salvation springs.
My body and My blood, the healing that you need,
Come and receive.

Welcome home,
Gather round,
All ye refugees, come in.
Welcome home,
Gather round,
All ye refugees, come in.

Watch and wait and see
What is yet to be,
Watch and wait and see for the morning.

Go out in joy,
Join the great procession,
The mountains and the heav'ns all will rejoice.
Horizon to horizon, creation to creation
With one voice.

Welcome home,
Gather round,
All ye refugees, come in.
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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

Come Light our Hearts

(Words & Music: Sandra McCracken, 2015; CCLI Song #7054135)

For You, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait
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Truly our hope is in You
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O Lord of life, our only hope
Your radiance shines
On all who look to You in the dark
Emmanuel come, come light our hearts

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Oh joy above all other loves,
In You we find more than enough
We come as we are, O heal and restore
Come light our hearts

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Benediction

Postlude

Shout to the Lord

(Words & Music: Darlene Zschech, 1993, arr. Peggy Bettcher, b. 1961; CCLI Song # 1406918)

Today's Worship Service Leaders

Dr. Rebecca Chu, Organist, Piano, Prelude, Postlude, Hymns & Songs

Crofton Coleman, Worship Band Director; **Christie Miller**, Guitar; **Noah McLeod**, Piano;

Erwin Yasukawa, Bass; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion

Maximiliano Illanes, **Paul Koch**, **Michelle Mariposa**, Vocalists

Hannah Dixon McConnell, Dir. of Worship & Music, Welcome, Introit, Vocalist

Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children & Youth, Children's Message, Dedication, Peace, Sermon, Benediction

Caryl Weinberg, Dir. Of Mission, Confession

Robert Nordstrom, Overseas Missionary Fellowship, Minute for Mission Video

Peg Forbes, Scripture Reading

Jixun Hu, Prayers of the People

Evan Peters, A/V Coordinator, Live Audio

Noah McLeod, Interim A/V Coordinator, Audio

Jacob 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, Audio

Qin Zhou, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat

Joe Sickles, Building Team

Tony Brown, **Carol Clanton**, **Stephanie Keene**, Ushers

Bob Bastian, Greeter

Mike Denesha & Sally Ivaska, Prayer Companion

Christian Education & Childcare

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

Youth/Children's Education – All of our youth and childrens' education classes are on hiatus through the summer.

Adult Education – No class this week.

'The James Code' Class – Resumes June 12.

First Pres Announcements

We celebrate the dedication this morning of Eden Joy Nix, daughter of John and Abi Nix.

We will have a Fellowship Time this morning after the service in Roy Hall, upstairs.

We are encouraging everyone, whether you're a newcomer or a seasoned veteran of First Pres, to **sign up to take part in a Koinonia Meal** this summer. You can sign up to be a meal coordinator or simply register to be included when the groups are formed. This is one of the intentional ways we are seeking grow closer as a community. Look for the Koinonia Meals logo on our home page and follow the link to sign up.

Next Sunday, we will be moving our Sunday worship service times to 10 a.m. for the summer.

We will host an **International Potluck next Sunday. This is open to everyone.** If you like, bring a dish to share from the country of your heritage or the country of your heart. **Find the sign-up link at firstpresevanston.org!**

Our spring Life Together class will be a one-day event next Sunday. It begins after the service, with time for you to get a meal from the potluck, and then goes into the afternoon. This is a great way to learn more about us and consider becoming a member. Sign up is available online!

Bike to Church on Sunday June 12 - See the insert in today's bulletin!

Our Adult Education class on the Book of James will NOT meet again until June 12. Check the website for more information.

Beginning next week, **we will move our announcements to the end of the service.** We are doing this to maintain a spirit of worship and contemplation which begins during the prelude each Sunday, and to more strongly connect our church events to God's sending us out into our communities and into the world.

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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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Sunday, June 12

Bike to Church

(or Walk, take the Bus, Carpool, or take the El!)

Care for God's creation
by choosing a lower-fuel way to get to church!

Pastor Ray says, wear your helmet
and always obey traffic laws :-)

After worship,
join our church neighbors "on the square,"
who are also biking to church,
for an informal bike meet & greet
and BYO picnic in Raymond Park!

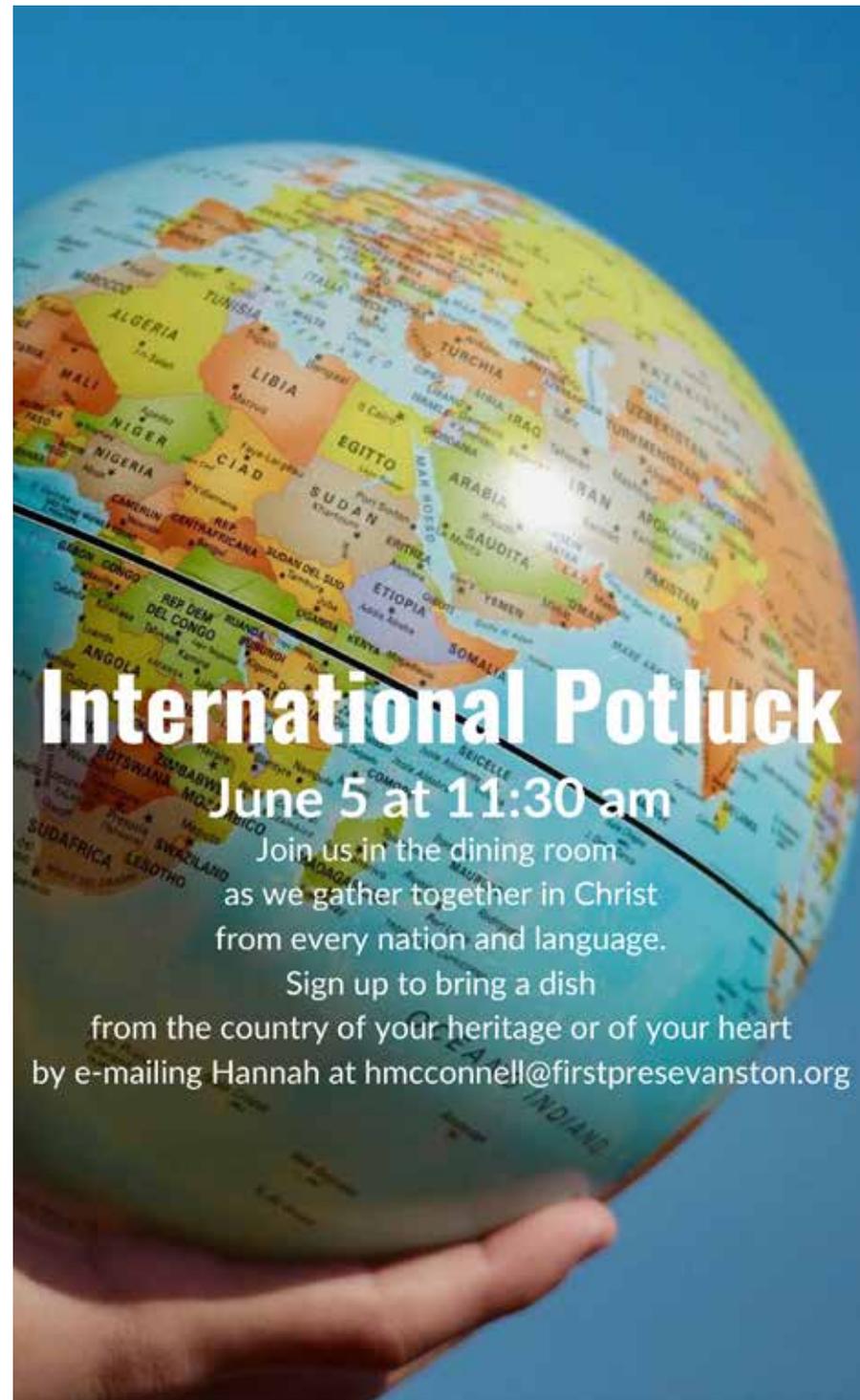


International Potluck

June 5 at 11:30 am

Join us in the dining room
as we gather together in Christ
from every nation and language.

Sign up to bring a dish
from the country of your heritage or of your heart
by e-mailing Hannah at hmconnell@firstpresevanston.org



Welcome! We're glad you are here. We ask everyone to complete and return this page. Please tear it off from the stapled bulletin, to slip to the offering basket every week.

May 29, 2022

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)