

First Presbyterian Evanston

November 13, 2022 – 9:30 a.m.

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

FOCUS

Prelude

How He Loves

(*Words and Music: John Mark McMillan, 2005; CCLI Song #5032549*)

EXALT

Welcome & Call to Worship (*Isaiah 12:2-6*)

Leader: Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid,

All: for the LORD GOD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. And you will say in that day:

Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted.

Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Opening Song

Oh Our Lord

(Words & Music: David Leonard, Leslie Jordan, Paul Baloche; CCLI Song #6092289)

Oh our Lord

Oh our Lord

How majestic is Your Name in all the earth

We behold the breaking dawn

The light that shines over ev'ryone

We look to You, we long for You, oh Lord

We behold the rising sun

The earth awakes, Your hope has come

We look to You, we long for You, oh Lord

Oh our Lord

Oh our Lord

How majestic is Your Name in all the earth

We behold the falling rain

Like waters rise, flood this place

We reach for You, we cling to You, oh Lord

Oh our Lord

Oh our Lord

How majestic is Your Name in all the earth

Oh Your Name is a light in the darkness

Oh Your Name is the word of truth

Oh Your Name oh Your Name

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Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence.

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

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

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Song of Response

You are in Control

(Words & Music: Scott Underwood, 1997; CCLI Song #2318826)

You are my Shepherd I have no needs
You lead me by peaceful streams
And You refresh my life
You hold my hand and You guide my steps
I could walk through the valley of death
And I won't be afraid

Because You are in control
You are in control
You are in control
You are in control

You are my Shepherd I have no needs
You lead me by peaceful streams
And You refresh my life
You hold my hand and You guide my steps
I could walk through the valley of death
And I won't be afraid

Because You are in control
You are in control
You are in control
You are in control

You cause ev'rything to work together
You truly have a sov'reign plan

And You know who I am
And You made who I am
And You love who I am

And You know who I am
And You made who I am
And You love who I am

Because You are in control
You are in control
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ENCOUNTER

Children's Moment – Bible Sunday

Passing the Peace of Christ

Our Church, Our Story – Ellen Gabrielse

¹⁷ For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.

- 18 But be glad and rejoice forever
 in what I am creating,
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy
 and its people as a delight.
- 19 I will rejoice in Jerusalem
 and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it
 or the cry of distress.
- 20 No more shall there be in it
 an infant who lives but a few days
 or an old person who does not live out a lifetime,
for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
 and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.
- 21 They shall build houses and inhabit them;
 they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- 22 They shall not build and another inhabit;
 they shall not plant and another eat,
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
 and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.
- 23 They shall not labor in vain
 or bear children for calamity,^[a]
for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—
 and their descendants as well.
- 24 Before they call I will answer,
 while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- 25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together;
 the lion shall eat straw like the ox,
 but the serpent—its food shall be dust!
- They shall not hurt or destroy
 on all my holy mountain,
 says the LORD.

RESPOND

Anthem

Trust in You

(Words & Music: Lauren Daigle, Michael Farren, Paul Mabury; CCLI Song # 7025522)

Letting go of every single dream
I lay each one down at Your feet
Every moment of my wondering
Never changes what You see

I've tried to win this war, I confess
My hands are weary, I need Your rest
Mighty warrior, King of the fight
No matter what I face, You're by my side

When You don't move the mountains
I'm needing You to move
When You don't part the waters
I wish I could walk through
When You don't give the answers
As I cry out to You
I will trust, I will trust
I will trust in You

Truth is, You know what tomorrow brings
There's not a day ahead You have not seen
So in all things be my life and breath
I want what You want, Lord, and nothing less

When You don't move the mountains
I'm needing You to move
When You don't part the waters
I wish I could walk through
When You don't give the answers
As I cry out to You
I will trust, I will trust
I will trust in You

I will trust in You

You are my strength and comfort
You are my steady hand
You are my firm foundation
The Rock on which I stand
Your ways are always higher
Your plans are always good
There's not a place where I'll go
You've not already stood

When You don't move the mountains
I'm needing You to move
When You don't part the waters
I wish I could walk through
When You don't give the answers
As I cry out to You
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Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (*Blue Hymnal* #592)

(*Words: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709; Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551; CCLI Song #56204*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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

Your Love Never Fails

(*Words & Music: Anthony Skinner, Chris McClarney; CCLI Song #5337172*)

Nothing can separate
Even if I ran away
Your love never fails
I know I still make mistakes but
You have new mercies for me ev'ryday
Your love never fails

You stay the same through the ages
Your love never changes
There may be pain in the night

But joy comes in the morning
And when the oceans rage
I don't have to be afraid
Because I know that You love me
Your love never fails

The wind is strong and the water's deep
But I'm not alone here in these open seas
Your love never fails
The chasm is far too wide
I never thought I'd reach the other side
Your love never fails

You stay the same through the ages
Your love never changes
There may be pain in the night
But joy comes in the morning
And when the oceans rage
I don't have to be afraid
Because I know that You love me

You make all things
Work together for my good
You make all things
Work together for my good

You stay the same through the ages
Your love never changes
There may be pain in the night
But joy comes in the morning
And when the oceans rage

I don't have to be afraid
Because I know that You love me

Sending & Benediction

Postlude

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Today's Worship Service Leaders

Crofton Coleman, Worship Band Director, Vocalist, Keyboards

Allison Allen, Daniel Allen, & Judith Hylton, Vocalists

Fred Bryant & Christie Miller, Guitars; **Erwin Yasukawa**, Bass

Waldo Ocana, Drums; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor, Welcome & Call to Worship, Sermon, Sending & Benediction

Cynthia Bridges, Deacon, Confession & Prayers of the People

Hannah Dixon McConnell, Dir. of Worship, Children's Moment & Peace

Ellen Gabrielse, Deacon, Our Church, Our Story

Jeff Schneider, Scripture Reading

Evan Peters, A/V Coordinator, Live Audio

Mike Campbell, Projection

Jacob Collins, A/V Volunteer, Video Switcher

John Carlson & Qin Zhou, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat

Joe Sickles, Building Team

Stephanie Keene, Amanda Jenta, Tuah Jenta, Ushers

Kaci Smith, Greeter

Bob Bastian & Sharon Smith, Prayer Companion

Christian Education & Childcare

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

Youth/Children's classes meet from 11 a.m.-noon.

Kindergarten through 4th grade meets in the 3rd Floor East Room.

5th thru 7th grade meets in the 3rd Floor Center Room.

8th thru 12th grade meets in Room 206.

Adult Education – Sundays at 11 a.m.

The Book of Ruth class meets in the Parlor and on Zoom.

'God's Big Picture' class meets in Room 213 and on Zoom.

First Pres Announcements

Condolences – We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to the friends and family of Ralph Westfall for his passing on October 25, 2022.

Fellowship time in Roy Hall TODAY – Join us today after the service in our 2nd Floor gym for fellowship time hosted by the Deacons.

First Friend's Thanksgiving Dinner – The annual Thanksgiving dinner takes place today at 3 p.m. and brings together those serving in our First Friends ministry and the Syrian families they partner with. Together we can create "a place at the table" for our neighbors.

Finding a Home at Thanksgiving – Are you here in Evanston or the local area and would like to join with church family to celebrate Thanksgiving? Perhaps you are someone who would be willing to welcome a new friend into your Thanksgiving celebration? First Pres Director of Music and Worship Hannah McConnell is working to match individuals who

might otherwise be unattached on Thanksgiving with hosts who would love to welcome a new friend "at the table." Email Hannah at hmcconnell@firstpresevanston.org if you would like to be a guest, or to invite a guest!

Parish Nurse Book Club – Book Club will meet on Tuesday, November 15 from 1:30-3 p.m. We will be reading "The Last Little Book Shop in London" by Madeline Martin. According to Goodreads this story is, "Inspired by the true World War II history of the few bookshops to survive the Blitz. The Last Little Bookshop in London is a timeless story of wartime loss, love and the enduring power of literature."

Special Thanksgiving offering – This year's Thanksgiving Special Offering will be collected in person next Sunday, November 20, and can also be contributed to online. Proceeds will go to our sister church Bethlehem Christmas Church in Palestine.

Visit <https://firstpresevanston.org/give> to make your gift.

Advent Bags and Devotionals – Next Sunday, November 20, we will be offering Advent-at-Home Bags and churchwide Advent devotionals to those who would like them. They will be available at a table near the Front Desk. Some bags will be meant specifically for families with children, while others are appropriate for adults of all ages.

Sanctuary hosts Evanston interfaith event – First Pres is hosting the annual Interfaith Action Thanksgiving Eve Service this year. Our Sanctuary will be the site of this event on Wednesday, November 23, at 7 p.m., with Pastor Raymond Hylton participating along with faith communities from throughout Evanston. Join folks from all over Evanston for this event, which serves as a powerful way to begin the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Church's Song Adult Ed Class begins November 27 – This four-week seminar, taught by Robert McConnell, will present an overview of the history of music in Christian worship, from the chanting of the pages of scripture, to the hymns of Isaac Watts, to the songs of Sandra McCracken.

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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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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.

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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)