

First Presbyterian Evanston

March 26, 2023 – 9:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

FOCUS

Prelude

Known

*(Words & Music: Tauren Wells, Jordan Sapp, & Ethan Hulse, 2017;
CCLI Song # 7095495)*

*It's so unusual it's frightening. You see right through the mess inside me, And You call me out
to pull me in, You tell me I can start again, And I don't need to keep on hiding.*

*I'm fully known and loved by You. You won't let go no matter what I do. And it's not one or the
other, It's hard truth and ridiculous grace To be known fully known and loved by You. I'm
fully known and loved by You...*

*It's so like You to keep pursuing. It's so like me to go astray, But You guard my heart with
Your truth, The kind of love that's bullet proof, And I surrender to Your kindness.*

*How real how wide, How rich how high is Your heart. I cannot find the reasons why You give
me so much...I'm fully known...*

EXALT

Welcome

Call to Worship – Psalm 130:1-2, 5-8

Leader: Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.

Lord, hear my voice!

All: Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my supplications!

Leader: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;

All: my soul waits for the Lord

**more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**

Leader: O Israel, hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

**All: It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.**

Opening 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!"

When the Spirit speaks to me, With my whole heart I'll agree,
And my answer will be, "Yes, Lord, yes!"

Confession of Sins and Assurance of Pardon

All: God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Leader: Almighty God, Redeemer of all who trust you,
heed our cry, the voice of your people; deliver us from the
bondage of sin, that we may serve you in perfect freedom and
rejoice in your unfailing love; Through Jesus Christ our Savior,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
forever and ever. Amen.

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

My Worth is Not in What I Own, *chorus*

(Words & Music: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, & Graham Kendrick, 2014, CCLI Song # 7024758)

I rejoice in my redeemer
Greatest treasure
Wellspring of my soul
And I will trust in him, no other
My soul is satisfied in him alone

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Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear these words of hope from Isaiah 43: "I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: Christ has come to make us, and to make all things, new.

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

Song of Response

From the Inside Out

(Words & Music: Joel Houston, 2005; CCLI Song #4705176)

A thousand times I've failed
Still Your mercy remains
And should I stumble again
Still I'm caught in Your grace
Everlasting
Your light will shine when all else fades
Never-ending
Your glory goes beyond all fame

My heart and my soul
I give You control
Consume me from the inside out Lord
Let justice and praise

Become my embrace
To love You from the inside out

Your will above all else
My purpose remains
The art of losing myself
In bringing You praise
Everlasting
Your light will shine when all else fades
Never-ending
Your glory goes beyond all fame

My heart and my soul
I give You control
Consume me from the inside out Lord
Let justice and praise
Become my embrace
To love You from the inside out

Everlasting
Your light will shine when all else fades
Never-ending
Your glory goes beyond all fame
And the cry of my heart
Is to bring You praise
From the inside out
Lord my soul cries out

My heart and my soul
Lord I give You control
Consume me from the inside out Lord
Let justice and praise

Become my embrace
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ENCOUNTER

Children's Moment

Passing the Peace of Christ

Our Church, Our Story – Derron Swan

Scripture

John 6:1-15

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ² A large crowd kept following him because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³ Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵ When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷ Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹ “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” ¹⁰ Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” ¹³ So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

¹⁵ When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

Sermon

On Mission with Jesus
Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor

RESOPOND

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings**Anthem**

Speak, O Lord

(Words & Music: Keith Getty & Stuart Townend, 2005; CCLI Song #4615235)

*Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us,
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory.*

*Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise,
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority,
Words of power that can never fail,
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.*

*Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds,
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us,
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time*

*That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.*

Doxology & Offering Prayer

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

If You Say Go

(*Words and Music: Diane Thiel, 2002; CCLI Song #3548640*)

If You say go, we will go.
If You say wait, we will wait.
If You say step out on the water,
and they say it can't be done,
we'll fix our eyes on You
and we will come.

If You say go, we will go,
If You say wait, we will wait,
If You say step out on the water,
and they say it can't be done,
we'll fix our eyes on You and we will come.

Your ways
are higher than our ways,
and the plans
that You have laid
are good and true;
If You call us to the fire,
You will not withdraw
Your hand.
We'll gaze into the flames
and look for You.

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Sending & Benediction

Postlude *Ständchen* (Serenade), from D 957
(Words: Ludwig Rellstab; Music: Franz Schubert, published 1829)

Today's Worship Service Leaders

Crofton Coleman, Worship Band Director, Vocals, Piano

Fred Bryant, Acoustic Guitar; **Erwin Yasukawa**, Bass; **Kon Savoy**, Drums; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion; **Bryan Carmody & Judith Hylton**, Vocals

Dr. Rebecca Chu, Organist, Piano

Melissa Bach, Cello

Hannah Dixon McConnell, Dir. of Worship & Music, Piano, Vocals, Confession

Hannah McLeod, Flute, Postlude

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor, Welcome, Sermon, Offering Invitation, Sending & Benediction

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

Derron Swan, Our Church, Our Story

Dane Watkins, Scripture Reading

Betsey Newenhuyse, Elder, Prayers of the People

Evan Peters, A/V Coordinator, Live Audio

Jim Teague, Director of Communications, Projection

Jacob Collins, A/V Volunteer, Video Switcher

Qin Zhou, A/V Volunteer, Online Chat

Joe Sickles, Building Team

Amanda Jenta, Tuah Jenta, Stephanie Keene, Ushers

Marilyn Haase, Greeter

Bob Hecker, Kim Klamm, Prayer Companions

Christian Education & Childcare

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

Children's Worship during the sermon

Children 4-6 years old can go to the Choir Room after the Children's Message for a scripture reading and brief activity. Children will return following the sermon.

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

Kindergarten thru 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 the Dining Room with "How to Read the Bible."

Adult Education meets Sundays at 11 a.m.

How to Read the Bible meets in the Dining Room. This course concludes today.

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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.***



This QR code will take you to a web page with links for giving and recording your attendance at today's service via the Connect Card.

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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)

Lent at First Pres 2023

Taizé Prayer

Join us for our final Lenten Worship Service of
Contemplative Sung Prayer

Wednesday, March 29
7 p.m. in Walker Chapel and online
at <https://live.firstpresevanston.org>

Upcoming Services & Events

In person and online, taking place in the Sanctuary unless otherwise noted.

Palm Sunday - April 2

9 a.m. Ecumenical Processional
Southwest corner of Raymond Park

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

Maundy Thursday - April 6

7 p.m. Worship Service - Walker Chapel

Good Friday- April 7

7 p.m. Worship Service

Family Gelato Outing following the service.
Frio Gelato - 1301 Chicago Ave, Evanston.

Resurrection Sunday - April 9

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

Egg Hunt and Fellowship Time following the service.

<https://firstpresevanston.org>



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN EVANSTON

Weekly Announcements

March 26, 2023

Condolences

We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to our senior pastor, Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, his wife Judith, and their children, Judene, Ray, Jr., and Joel, for the passing of Pastor Ray's mother, Joycelyn Berneida Hylton, on March 21, 2023. A memorial service is planned for Friday, March 31, at 11 a.m. in Middletown, N.Y.

Children's Worship during Sunday Services

Children's Worship is now being offered for 4-6 year olds. Children are invited to go to the Choir Room (across the hall from the northeast Sanctuary doors) after the Children's Message for a scripture reading and brief activity, and will return to the Sanctuary after the sermon.

How to Read the Bible Adult Ed concludes today

The final class, taught by Prof. KK, will meet in the Dining Room at 11 a.m.

Parish Nurse Book Club meets Tuesday

The next book club is Tuesday, March 28 at 1:30 p.m. in the Parlor. We will be discussing "The Last Flight" by Julie Clark.

Final Taizé Worship Service on Wednesday

The final Lenten Taizé Worship Service meets Wednesday, March 29 at 7 p.m. in Walker Chapel and online at <https://live.firstpresevanston.org>. 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.

Special Lenten Collection

During Lent, the Mission ministry and the Children and Youth ministry invite the congregation to participate in a joint financial collection to benefit those impacted by the war in Ukraine and the earthquake in Turkey/Syria. First Pres children and youth can participate by collecting cash in one of the provided boxes.

Stephen Ministry Training Applications due March 31

Is God calling you to take a more active role in Christian caregiving? Stephen Ministry Training may be just what you're looking for. Training begins Saturday, April 15, then meets weekly on Mondays from 7-9 p.m. until September 25.



To apply, or for more info, contact Deb Cross at (910) 295-1534 or dcross1531@gmail.com or Bonnie Kath at (847) 507-4146 or bkath@comcast.net.

Palm Sunday Ecumenical Processional details

Join us in the southwest corner of Raymond Park at 9 a.m. on Sunday, April 2, as we join with our neighboring churches for a Palm Sunday processional – complete with a live donkey!

Lake Street Church, Immanuel Lutheran, First Congregational Church of Evanston, and First Pres are inviting attendees to gather together for an ecumenical processional, complete with strolling musicians and palm leaves for all involved.

At the end of the event, each congregation will head to their own church for Palm Sunday services. We will begin our service at 9:30 a.m.



Good Friday Gelato Outing for FPCE Families

The Our Families Our Children council invites families to attend the Good Friday service at 7 p.m. Following the service families can gather to walk down the street to enjoy "Easter is Coming" gelato at Frio Gelato. The council will be treating families.



Egg Hunt Candy Donations Needed

Please consider donating plastic Easter eggs, individually wrapped candy, and small prizes for our Easter egg hunt. Drop off items at the Front Desk, labeled for Pastor Amanda. Donation deadline is Friday, April 7, at Noon.

The Caring Friends Small Group

Caring for anyone who is going through or has gone through the Cancer journey? The Caring Friends will be supportive in prayer, love, and laughter! For more information contact Olga Ricketts-Peart at oricketts@att.net.

The Way of the Cross in Woodcuts

The Way of the Cross is a series of woodcut print images made by Kreg Yingst. Each image highlights a different moment from the last days of Christ's life. First Pres has purchased a collection of these images and is currently featuring them in a gallery display on the second floor.



Images 1 and 2 are in the upper hallway leading to room 213 across from the pew. Images 3 through 14 are found in the hallway outside the Dining Room. The final image of the exhibit can be found in the Parlor. Unlike many stations of the cross exhibits, which end with the cross and the grave, this series ends with a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus.

We are displaying it along with Pastor

Younan Shiba's wonderful mixed media portrait of the risen Jesus (see image).