
FOCUS

Prayer Before Worship

God of life, as we prepare for worship today, help us not to take lightly the highly charged message we proclaim. Help us sense the power, beauty, and mission of your Spirit.

Prelude **A Meditation on “Draw Us In The Spirit’s Tether”**
(Gerre Hancock)

EXALT

Call to Worship

God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh,
and our daughters and sons shall prophesy.
Our old ones shall dream dreams,
and our young ones shall see visions;
and all who call upon the name of the Lord shall be delivered.
Come, let us call upon the name of the Lord.

Opening Praise

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine* **Blue #321**
(Words: Samuel Longfellow, 1864, alt. 1987; Music: Orlando Gibbons, 1623, alt.)

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith: We confess that we resist the force of your Spirit among us, that we are slow to serve you and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. God, have mercy on us. Forgive our divisions and by your Spirit draw us together. In flame us with a desire to do your will and be your faithful people for the sake of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.
(People offer their own private silent prayers to the Lord)

Assurance of Pardon

Brothers and sisters, God offers forgiveness of our sins and the grace of repentance. Accept God's grace, repent of your sin, receive the Holy Spirit, and be restored to abundant life. **Amen.**

Hakuna Mungu Kama Wewe*
(There's No One Like Jesus)
(Words and Music: Edwin M. Wilmington)

ENCOUNTER

Welcome

Children's Moment
Passing of the Peace
Offering of Gifts

Musical Offering

Come, Holy Spirit

(Based on a traditional spiritual/Jean Anne Shafferman, 2005)

Scripture Lesson

John 14:15-19, 25-27
(New Testament, p. 105)

Sermon

Compassion into Action

RESPOND

Hymn of Preparation **Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed*** **Blue #501**
(Words: Josiah Conder, 1824, .alt; Music: French and Welsh Melody, Arr. Hugh Davies, 1906)

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

(The ushers will guide the congregation in coming forward, beginning with the front row. They will indicate to the servers if you wish to be served in the pew. All are invited to take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and receive the elements, with the response, "Thanks be to God!")

We are pleased to offer one station of gluten, soy, dairy, nut free bread which can be found on the far right aisle as you come forward.

Communion Music **O Mensch, Bewein Dein' Sünde Gross**
(O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Fall)
(J.S. Bach)

Affirmation of Faith: Multicultural Apostle's Creed

I believe in Almighty God, who guided the people in exile and in exodus, the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of foreigners and immigrants.

I believe in Jesus Christ, a displaced Galilean, who was born away from his people and his home, who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger. When he returned to his own country he suffered under the oppression of Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power. Jesus was persecuted, beaten, tortured and unjustly condemned to death. But on the third day Jesus rose from the dead, not as a scorned foreigner but to offer us citizenship in God's kingdom.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us, who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races. I believe that the Church is the secure home for foreigners and for all believers. I believe that the Communion of Saints begins when we embrace all God's people in all their diversity. I believe in forgiveness, which makes us all equal before God, and in reconciliation, which heals our brokenness.

I believe that in the Resurrection God will unite us as one people in which all are distinct and all are alike at the same time. I believe in life eternal, in which no one will be a foreigner but all will be citizens of the kingdom where God reigns forever and ever. Amen.

-written by Jose Luis Casal, General Missioner of Tres Rios Presbytery

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Welcome We're glad you are here!

We ask everyone to complete and return this tear-off slip to the offering basket every week.
June 4, 2017

Your Name

Family members' names/ages

Street Address, City, State, Zip

Phone: Cell Home

Email address

Send me the weekly E-newsletter

- Single
 Married
 Have children at home
 Junior/High School student
 College student

- First time visitor
 Occasional attendee
 Regular attendee/member

I'm interested in:

- Knowing Jesus better
 I need prayer or support
 Joining a Small Group
 Joining the Welcome Team
 Worship Music Team/Choir
 Sound/AV/Video Team
 Becoming a Member
 I need a Stephen Minister
 Counseling at The Counseling Center
 Communion at home suggested for _____ (name)

Please Pray for: (This is shared with pastors & confidential prayer team.)

*Please silence all cell phones
and electronic devices*

Welcome Visitors!

Please visit the Welcome Table in the back of the sanctuary after the service and join us for refreshments in Roy Hall on the 2nd floor. Please sign this tear-off panel with your contact information filled in on the other side and deposit in the offering plate.

Children are welcome in worship!

Parents may use the lounge in the back of the sanctuary to participate in the service via a TV monitor. Worship journals and children's bulletins are available from the ushers, who are also available to direct you to our other facilities.

Prayer Requests

Our prayer companions are available at the front of the sanctuary after each service to pray with you. You may also include your prayer requests on the weekly tear-off tab (on the other side of this bulletin) and deposit it in the offering. Our staff prays weekly for the needs of the congregation.

Worship Service Leaders

Rev. Dr. Ray Hylton, Senior Pastor,
Prayer of Confession and Assurance,
Children's Moment, Communion

Rev. Henry Coates, Designated
Associate Pastor, Welcome, Sermon,
Communion

**Maria Ferry, James Singh, Gordon
Stromberg, Go Sugiura, Maude**

Toussaint-Comeau, Scripture Readers
Hannah Dixon McConnell, Choir
Director

Elizabeth Brown, Substitute Organist
Elda McGinty, Dir. of Music & Worship,
Worship Leader

Daniel Allen, Elizabeth Bennett,
Worship Leaders, **Tina Laughlin**,
Percussion

Neal Ostrovsky, Audio/Visual
Coordinator

Jorge Rodriguez, A/V Volunteer

Prayer Companions:

Kathleen Lin and Bob Bastian

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Benediction

Postlude

Praeludium und Fuge in C-Moll
(J.S. Bach)

** Please stand as you are able*

***Assistive listening devices are available in the back of the sanctuary.
Please return receivers at the end of the service.*

Sunday Worship at First Presbyterian Evanston

10 a.m. Worship Service

Children are welcome in worship!**

Options for Families:

Infants/Toddlers – Crib Room

Ages 2-4 – Blue Room

Ages 4-8 – Children's Worship in the Choir Room following Children's Moment.
Children return to sanctuary during final hymn.

** Worship journals & children's bulletins are available in the back of the Sanctuary.
Changing tables & quiet space is available in the women's lounge (back corner of the Sanctuary).

Lemonade on the Lawn (Front Lawn or Roy Hall, 2nd Floor) (11:10 am)

A time to connect with new and old friends.

Sunday Education

Adult Discipleship Learning - Begins Today

9 a.m. Mission Adult Summer Class (Parlor) – "Are you there, Lord? A philosophical reflection on the reality of God". This four-week class will be led by Bill Myatt. (Childcare available in Crib Room).

11:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Forum (Room 206) – Celebrating the Reformation's 500th anniversary with a course on Luther and his legacy. Taught by LeRoy Klemt.

Children's and Youth Christian Foundations Classes

No Summer Classes - These will resume in the fall.

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WELCOME TO

Sunday Worship

June 4, 2017, 10:00 am - Worship Service



Our Mission:

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FOLLOWING CHRIST

SERVING CHRIST



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