
FOCUS

Prayer Before Worship

Your eyes are too pure to behold evil, and You cannot look on wrongdoing; why do You look on the treacherous, and are silent when the wicked swallow those more righteous than they?

- Habakkuk 1:13

Prelude

What God Ordains is Always Good
(Johann Gottfried Walther)

EXALT

Call to Worship

This is the day that the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Psalm 118:24)

Opening Hymn

How Firm a Foundation*
(Words: K in A Selection of Hymns, ed. John Rippon, alt;
Music: American folk melody)

Blue #361

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we cry to You to heal our wounds.

We call to You in distress and plead for Your salvation.

We have sinned against Your law and failed to do Your will;

We confess that we've disobeyed Your holy Word.

We pray, purge our lives of selfishness and our hearts of bitterness.

Lead us back to righteousness; save us through Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Based on a text of Ulrich Zwingli, 1529)

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

Assurance of Pardon

We have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

And this is God's gospel promise: to grant us forgiveness of sins and eternal life by grace because of Christ's one sacrifice accomplished on the cross.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

(Hebrews 10:10; Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 66)

Everlasting God*
(Words and Music: Brenton Brown and Ken Riley)

ENCOUNTER

Welcome

Children's Moment

Passing of the Peace

Offering of Gifts

Musical Offering

A Mighty Fortress

(Words and Music: Christy Nockels and Nathan Nockels)

Scripture Lesson

Habakkuk 1:12-17

(Old Testament pp. 896-897)

Sermon

If God Is Good, Why Evil?

RESPOND

Hymn of Preparation

I Come with Joy*

(Verses 1-3 and 5)

Gray #195

(Words: Brian Wren, 1970; Music: American; harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938)

Sacrament of Communion

(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!")

Today's communion bread is gluten free at all stations.

Communion Music

My God, Thy Table Now is Spread

(Peter Pindar Stearns)

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Benediction

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in F Major

(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.

Welcome We're glad you are here!

We ask everyone to complete and return this tear-off slip to the offering basket every week.
August 6, 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!

If needed, 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,
Children's Moment, Sermon

Rev. Henry Coates, Designated
Associate Pastor, Prayer of Confession &
Assurance

Jim Wildenradt, Scripture Reader

Jack Harriff, Organist

Elda McGinty, Dir. of Music & Worship,
Piano/Worship Leader

Elizabeth Ferguson, Anna High,

Worship Leaders; **Fred Bryant**, Guitar;

Scott Henrie, Bass; **Kon Savoy**, Drums;

Tina Laughlin, Percussion

Neal Ostrovsky, Audio/Visual
Coordinator

Joel McGinty, A/V Volunteer

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

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

August 6, 2017, 10:00 am - Worship Service



Our Mission:

KNOWING CHRIST

FOLLOWING CHRIST

SERVING CHRIST



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Prayer Companions:

Kim Klamm and Bob Sefton