
FOCUS

Prayer Before Worship

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.
- O God, Our Help in Ages Past, Isaac Watts, 1719

Prelude

O Praise Ye the Lord

(C. Hubert H. Perry, 1848 - 1918; Setting by Kenneth Lowenberg)

EXALT

Call to Worship

LEADER: This is the day the Lord has made

ALL: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Opening Hymn

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Sung to the tune of St. Anne, Blue #210
(Words: Isaac Watts; Music: Attr. William Croft, 1708)

Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while life shall last,
And our eternal home.

Prayer of Confession

ALL: Most 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; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

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

Assurance of Pardon (Romans 8:34; 2 Corinthians 5:17)

LEADER: Hear the good news!

ALL: Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

L: Believe this good news and give thanks:

A: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

Everlasting God*

(Words and Music: Brenton Brown and Ken Riley)

O The Love Of My Redeemer*

(Words and Music: Joshua Caterer)

ENCOUNTER

Welcome

Children's Moment

Passing the Peace of Christ

Greetings from Sister Church -

Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb, Christmas Lutheran Church, Bethlehem

Offering of Gifts

Musical Offering

Michael – A Festival Setting

(Words: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; English transl. Robert Bridges, 1844-1930;
Music: Herbert Howells, 1936, arr. Christopher Palmer, 1992)

All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew.
Me through change
and chance He guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown, He alone
Calls my heart to be His own.

God's great goodness aye endureth,
Deep His wisdom, passing thought:
Splendour, light, and life attend Him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore from his store
New-born worlds rise and adore.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray His trust;
What with care and toil He buildeth,
Tower and temple, fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.

Still from man to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ, His Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall.

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 10:19-25, 32-36

(New Testament pp. 214-215)

Sermon

Enduring Hope

Rev. Dr. Atef Gendy, Tim Jones, Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton

RESPOND

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

God of Grace*

(Words & Music: Eida McGinty Peralta, 2018)

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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.

July 29, 2018 - 10:00 a.m.

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 electronic devices

Welcome Visitors!

Please speak with an usher for more information and to connect with FPCE members and staff. Please sign this tear-off panel with your information filled in on the other side and deposit in the offering.

Children are welcome in worship!

Ushers can help direct families to resources in our sanctuary space or to additional care rooms if needed. A changing table, quiet space, and service projection via TV are available in the back sanctuary lounge space.

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. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor, Prayer before Worship, Call to Worship, Sermon, Benediction

Rev. Dr. Atef Gendy & Tim Jones, Sermon

Rev. Amanda Golbek, Dir. of Youth Ministries, Prayer of Confession & Assurance

Rev. Henry Coates, Designated Associate Pastor, Welcome

Bev Bolsen, Dir. of Children's Ministries, Children's Moment

Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb, Greetings
Sonia Bodi, Prayers of the People

Justin Bennett, Scripture Reader

Jack Harriff, Organ

Mike Myers & Matt Baker, trumpet; **Matt**

Oliphant, horn; **Sean Keenan**, trombone

Hannah Dixon McConnell, Dir. of

Worship & Music, Choir Director

Elizabeth Ferguson, Interim Praise

Band Director, Worship Leader;

Elizabeth Bennett, Meghan Dietrich,

Dione Ewang, Judith Hylton, Worship

Leaders; **Daniel Allen**, Worship Leader,

Guitar; **Fred Bryant**, Guitar; **Elda**

Peralta McGinty, Worship Leader,

Piano; **Christie Miller**, Clarinet,

Guitar, Mandolin; **Scott Henrie**, Bass;

Kon Savoy, Drums; **Tina Laughlin**,

Percussion

Neal Ostrovsky, A/V Coordinator

Stephen Ferguson, A/V Volunteer

Prayer Companions:

Kim Klamm and Bob Bastian

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Choral Benediction

Farewell Anthem with Sevenfold Amen

(Words: Aaronic Blessing; Music: Peter Lutkin, 1900)

Postlude - Please remain seated to enjoy the Postlude and slideshow.

Toccata

(Charles Marie Widor, 1844 - 1937)

** 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 lounge (at the back corner of the Sanctuary).

150th Anniversary Celebration Brunch/Reception (2nd Floor) (11:10 am)

Join us after the service this morning for our 150th Anniversary celebration brunch in Roy Hall on the 2nd floor. The event is open to everyone and is free of charge. Refreshments will also be available in the Dining Room for those who cannot stay for the brunch. We will hear from some of our special guests who have come from around the world to celebrate with us. No reservation necessary!

Children's and Youth Christian Foundations Classes

No Summer Classes. These will resume in the fall.

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Sunday Worship

July 29, 2018, 10:00 am



Celebrating 150 Years
of God's Grace



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