

August 20 Sermon Notes

10 a.m. Worship Service

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton

Scripture: Habakkuk 2:6-17 (Old Testament pp. 897-898)

Title: God's Response To Wickedness

Big Idea: Why does evil seem to go unpunished? God's answer, outlined in five woes, reveals how God intends to respond to the wrongdoer. Meanwhile, the righteous must live by faith.

Next Week

10 a.m. Worship Service

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Scripture: Habakkuk 3:17-19

Title: Resting In A Faithful God

Big Idea: Habakkuk moves from confusion, anger, and doubt, to trusting and resting in the faithfulness of God. What led to this transformation of heart and attitude?

Listen to Sunday Sermons on the FPCE website or via the "First Presbyterian Church of Evanston" iTunes podcast. Sermons are usually uploaded by Tuesday evenings.

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Highlights

Please join us for Lemonade on the Lawn after worship this morning. In case of inclement weather, we will meet in Roy Hall on the second floor.

Visit the First Presbyterian Church of Evanston table at the annual CommUNITY Picnic, TODAY from Noon to 4 pm in Ingraham Park (west of the Morton Civic Center, 2100 Ridge Avenue). Admission is free. Bring the whole family for hours of entertainment, fun activities, free food and giveaways!

Our regular bi-weekly Prayer Gathering will take place this Wednesday, at 7 pm, in the Parlor. Join us as we come together to listen to God and bring our concerns before Him in the unity of the body of Christ. All are welcome!

First Presbyterian Church of Evanston will return to meeting for worship twice on Sundays this fall, beginning September 10. Our services will be at 9 am and 11:30 am, with our Christian Education gatherings (Sunday School, Adult Education, etc.) taking place between services following fellowship time in Roy Hall.

Registration is now open for the 32nd Annual Hunger Walk to be held the morning of September 16 in Jackson Park. The event (sponsored by Greater Chicago Food Depository) helps provide food for the FPCE Souper Saturday weekly soup kitchen. We receive contributions for every walker who participates. Contact Kris Economos at kriseconomos@yahoo.com or 847-475-0226 to sign up. The registration deadline is Monday, August 28 (there is no event registration at Jackson Park), and there is a 44-seat limit to ride the FPCE bus to and from the event. The bus will leave the church parking lot at approximately 7:30 am and will return at approximately 11:30 am.

Worth Noting

We welcome for the sacrament of baptism this morning, Lincoln Jiggetts Boyer Kenney, son of Benjamin Kenney and Kristan Jiggetts Kenney.

The Book Club's next choice for reading is *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce. Discussion on the book will be held 1-3:30 pm, Tuesday, August 29, in the parlor.

Members of FPCE who are feeling called to serve as a Stephen Minister are invited to attend the next training series. The kickoff session is Saturday, September 23, from 9 am to 1 pm in room 213. The training sessions then take place every Monday night 7 to 9 pm, from September 25, 2017, through February 26, 2018, with a two-week break at Christmas. Completed applications must be received prior to September 1. Please contact Mike Denesha at 847-612-9479 or RuthAnn Ostrowski at 312-613-0644 if you would like an application or more information about what it means to serve as a Stephen Minister.

First Presbyterian Church of Evanston is looking to fill a part-time evening receptionist position. Work hours would be Monday through Thursday from 5 pm to 10 pm. Candidates must have good communication and people skills as well as basic computer skills. For the full job description, please go to <http://www.firstpresevanston.org/about-us/employment>. To apply please contact Janice at the church office or e-mail her at jdobschuetz@firstpresevanston.org with the position name in the subject line.



Missions

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Pray for Our

Mission Partner

Pray for our mission partner, Learn to Earn, from pages 12 and 13 of 52 Weeks of Prayer for Missions. Ask God to bless this vital ministry as it provides employment training, life skills and spiritual guidance in South Africa's disadvantaged communities. Pray for increased funding and more support partners. Ask God to give the leaders wisdom in managing the size of their staff amidst limited resources.

Please pray for Dave and Sally Ivaska, Clark Robinson and Ron Ehresman who will be traveling to Alexandria, Egypt for the Middle East North Africa Regional Student meeting of IFES (August 22 - September 1). The theme of the conference will be "Half Life".

A refugee family being served by First Friends needs assistance, Friday, September 1 as they move from an apartment in south Evanston to a house in north Evanston. Needed for the move: a pickup truck and some strong folks to move items from the apartment and two storage lockers to the house. If you can help, contact Sonia Evenstad at 847-869-5112 or evenstad@sbcglobal.net.

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/serve/in-the-world/>

Save the Date

Mark your calendars for a community Hymn Sing here, at 7 pm on September 13. We'll be singing while kicking off the fall prayer gatherings along with a wonderful meal! Details to come soon.

The Women's Ministry at will be hosting a Ladies Tea from 2-5 pm, Saturday, September 30. It's a mini retreat for women and youth to be refreshed and encouraged. The theme is "Joy in the Journey". On-site childcare will be available upon request. Tickets are \$20.

Children and Families

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Kick-off the fall with Children's Ministry on September 10! Join us in worship as we dedicate our Sunday School teachers and bless the students in our church.

Students will be invited forward to receive a blessing and a backpack tag. During our Sunday School time (beginning at 10:30 am), families are invited to participate in the "Amazing Race!" Travel from classroom to classroom, meeting teachers and gathering clues for a final family puzzle. Once the final challenge is complete, we'll celebrate together with snacks.

Join our Children's Choir this fall! Children will rehearse on Thursday afternoons and sing in worship monthly. Details and registration information will be available soon.

Throughout this year, we'll be looking for opportunities to mark "milestones" in the lives of our children. As the school year starts, we recognize that students who begin Kindergarten are starting off on a new journey. We'd love to mark this occasion by presenting new Kindergartners with The Jesus Storybook Bible. It is our hope that families will read these stories together, helping faith to grow, just as your children are growing in so many other ways. **We will present these books to children in our 10 am worship service on August 27.** If you have a child who will begin kindergarten, please plan to come forward during the Children's Moment. If you aren't able to join us that day, email kmueller@firstpresevanston.org and let us know that you'd still like to receive a storybook Bible.

This summer in Children's Worship, we are teaching lessons from An Illustrated Compassion, Learning to Love like God (from Illustrated Children's Ministry). We are in the midst of a 12-week process of learning about compassion in the Old Testament, compassion in the New Testament, and living a compassionate life. All families are invited to take a packet home each week, designed to help you go further into the Bible stories with your children. Keep an eye out for all the posters and coloring materials that are a part of our learning this summer!

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/children/>

Prayer in the Parlor

The Parlor on the second floor is open each Wednesday for prayer and meditation from 9 am to 9 pm. All are welcome to come and spend time in prayer and praise in the space set aside for a holy time with God.

Youth and Families

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Our End-of-Summer Youth Event will be held Sunday, August 27 from 5 to 7 pm. Please wear clothing that you don't mind throwing out afterward. Bring a towel and a beach token.

Calling mentors and leaders: The youth ministry needs you! The youth ministry is seeking spiritually mature adults to invest in and guide our students. If you are interested in serving as a NUBS or PYGs leader, or confirmation mentor please reach out to Liz Ribeiro.

Sunday School kick-off will be held on September 10. All youth will gather in the PYGS lounge for breakfast and a meet and greet with their teachers.

NUBs gatherings will resume on September 15, and PYGS gatherings will resume on September 17.

Youth Sunday School classes will begin on September 17.

Confirmation will be offered this fall for students in grades 9 through 12.

NUBS and PYGS t-shirts are still available. First come, first served! Purchase at the front desk.

More details about Youth events can be found in our weekly email. Text YOUTHGROUP to 42828 to subscribe!

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/students/>

Important Web Links

Events:
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/events/>

Resources:
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/resources/>

Small Groups for Adults:
<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/adults/small-groups-at-fpce/>

Young Adults and Families

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Pastor Henry wants to take you out for coffee! Grab him after church or shoot him an email at hcoates@firstpresevanston.org so that a date can be scheduled, and let's make this happen!

Any young adults interested in volunteering in the Crib Room during Sunday morning services should see Pastor Henry or Kristin Mueller for more details.

Family Open Gym

Thursdays, 4-7 pm, Roy Hall

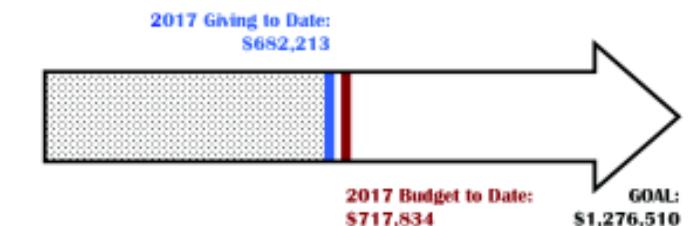
Open for parents and their children to come run around, shoot some baskets, play some games. No need to RSVP; just show up and have a great time!

Like Trivia? Come on out and join Pastor Henry and other Young Adults for Trivia Night at Bar Louie, every Thursday night at 8!

<http://www.firstpresevanston.org/learn/adults/young-adults/>

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