
FOCUS

Prayer before Worship

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Hebrew 4:12

Prelude **God's Holy Word Alone Shall Be**
(Michael Praetorius)

EXALT

Choral Introit

God Be In My Head
(Old English Prayer/John Rutter, 1970)

God be in my head and in my understanding.
God be in mine eyes and in my looking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.
God be in mine heart and in my thinking.
God be at my end and in my departing.

Opening Praise **Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine*** **Blue #341**
(Words: Fanny Jane Crosby, 1873; Music: Phoebe Palmer Knapp, 1873)

No Other Name*
(Words and Music: Douglas Engquist, Laurie Engquist, and Freddy Rodriguez)

Prayer of Confession

Jesus faced the same temptations we face, but was without sin. Unlike Adam and Eve, Jesus said no to the tempter and yes to the Father. No to self, yes to sacrifice. No to doubt, yes to faith. No to empires, yes to God's kingdom. No to idolatry, yes to obedience. We, as imperfect likenesses of Jesus, have failed in thought, word and deed. We now confess our sins silently, in Christ's name. Amen. *(People offer their own private silent prayers to the Lord)*

Words of Assurance

You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. (1 Peter 1:23)

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Jesus, All For Jesus*
(Words and Music: Jennifer Atkinson and Robin Mark)

ENCOUNTER

Welcome
Children's Moment
Passing of the Peace
Faith in Action
Offering of Gifts

Musical Offering

Holy Manna
(From "Southern Harmony"/arr. John Carter)

Brethren we have met to worship, and adore the Lord our God;
Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word.
All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down;
Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Brethren, will you join and help us, will you help the lost to win?
Will you help the trembling mourners, who are struggling hard with sin?
Tell them all about the Savior, tell them that He will be found.
Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other too;
Let us love and pray for sinners, till our God makes all things new.
Then He'll call us home to heaven, at His table we'll sit down.
Christ will come Himself and serve us, with sweet manna all around.

Scripture Lesson **Philippians 1:1-26**
(New Testament, p. 188)

Sermon **The Gospel Must be First**

RESPOND

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn **Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord*** **Blue #392**
(Words: William H. Foulkes, 1918, 1920; Music: Calvin Weiss Laufer, 1918)

Benediction

Postlude **Fugue in C Major**
(Dietrich Buxtehude, 1637 - 1707)

* 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.
February 12, 2017 - 9 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

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. Ray Hylton, Sr. Pastor, Sermon, Prayers of the People

Rev. Kristin Mueller, Dir. Of Children's Ministries, Children's Moment

Dan and Kathy Shiau, Faith in Action, InterVarsity USA

Peggy Forbes, Scripture Reader

Hannah Dixon McConnell, Choir Director

Jack Harriff, Organist

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

Bryan Carmody, Anika Velasco, Worship Leaders; **Fred Bryant, Christie Miller**, Guitar; **Scott Henrie**, Bass;

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

Neal Ostrovsky, Audio/Visual Coordinator

Jorge Rodriguez, A/V Volunteer

Prayer Companions:

Eleanor and Ron Ehresman

Sunday Worship at First Presbyterian Evanston

9 a.m. Blended 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).

Fellowship Time (Roy Hall, 2nd Floor) (10:10 am)

A time to connect with new and old friends over coffee, tea and cookies.

Sunday Education 10:30 - 11:15 am

Children's and Youth Christian Foundations Classes

Infants & Toddlers - Crib Room

Ages 2 & 3 - Yellow Room

Pre-K - Blue Room

Kindergarten - Orange Room

Grades 1 & 2 - Rm. 21 (lower level)

Grades 3 & 4 - Rm. 33 (lower level)

Grades 5 & 6 - 3rd Floor (East)

Sunday School Grades 7 & 8 -

NUBS Lounge

PYGS Sunday School Grades 9-12 -

PGYS Lounge, Basement

Adult Discipleship Learning

Small Group Ministry – (Parlor) Christian Discipleship.

Missions – (Dining Room) Following Christ in the Great Commission.

Marriage Built to last by Chip Ingram (Room 213) – Throughout the video series, real life couples from across the country share candidly about their struggles in communication, finances, sexual intimacy, expectations and more. Judith Hylton/ Linda Irvin/Judy Slagle facilitators.

Sunday Morning Forum – (Room 206) A new course will begin March 12.

Single But Not Alone – (Third Floor, Center Room) Welcome all singles! *Next meeting is March 5*

11:30 a.m. Contemporary Service

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Options for Families:

Children 4 and under – Crib Room

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WELCOME TO

Sunday Worship

February 12, 2017, 9:00 am - Blended Service



Our Mission:

Sharing Christ
Colossians 1:15-20.

Making Disciples
Matthew 28:18-20.

Serving God's World
Isaiah 58:6-9.

By the Power of the Holy Spirit
John 14:16-17.



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