

FOCUS

Prayer Before Worship

O God, You have so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us. Give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thank-offering to You; through Jesus Christ, the Lamb who was slain, our Lord, Amen.

- Westminster Divines, 1647

Prelude

**Worthy of Worship**  
(Carolyn Hamlin)

EXALT

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you His faithful ones.

**All: And give thanks to His holy name.**

For His anger is but for a moment;

His favor is for a lifetime.

**Weeping may linger for the night,  
but joy comes with the morning.**

Opening Hymn **All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!** **Blue #142**

(Words: Edward Perronet, 1779, 1780, John Rippon, 1787;

Music: Oliver Holden, 1793, desc. Michael E. Young, 1979)

Prayer of Confession

**Master, Savior, Shepherd, Messiah— we know You by many names, Lord. Your presence fills our lives—all that we are and all that we have comes from You; all that You do declares Your love for us. Yet when trouble comes, when adversity plagues us, we wonder where You are; we even wonder who You are. How quickly we forget that You are always with us. Dispel our gloom and despair. Change our garments of darkness into robes of dazzling light. Spread Your table before us, and feed us from Your hand. Lamb that was slain, lead us in the paths of righteousness, for it is in Your name that we pray. Amen.**

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

Assurance of Pardon

(inspired by Psalm 23, John 10:22-30, Revelation 7:9-17)

Even in the darkest valley,  
though death's shadow may threaten us,  
**we need not fear, for the Lord is with us.  
God will comfort and shelter us.  
No harm will come to us.**

No one can snatch us out of the Lord's hand.

**God will wipe away every tear from our eyes.**

Friends, hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Amen.**

**All Who Are Thirsty\***

(Words and Music: Brenton Brown and Glenn Robertson)

**Here I Am To Worship\***

(Words and Music: Tim Hughes)

ENCOUNTER

Welcome

Stewardship Moment

Children's Moment

Passing the Peace of Christ

Faith in Action - Tumekutana Thanksgiving

Offering of Gifts

Musical Offering

**Worthy is the Lamb from Messiah**

(G.F. Handel, 1741)

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing. Blessing and honour, glory and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb, for ever and ever.  
(Revelation 5:12-14)

Scripture Lesson

**Revelation 5:6-14**

(New Testament pp. 237-238)

Sermon

**Worthy is the Lamb**

RESPOND

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

**Crown Him with Many Crowns**

**Blue #151**

(Words: Matthew Bridges, 1851; Music: George Job Elvey 1868)

Benediction

Postlude

**Prelude in g minor BWV 558**

(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.

October 14, 2018 - 9:00 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  
 I would like to speak with a pastor  
 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 Narthex at the rear of the sanctuary after the service to connect with an FPCE member. 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!

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, Prayer of Confession & Assurance, Prayers of the People  
**Rev. Henry Coates**, Designated Associate Pastor, Sermon, Benediction  
**Amanda Golbek**, Director of Youth, Welcome  
**Marge Stromberg**, Children's Moment  
**Richard Bell**, Scripture Reader  
**Caryl Weinberg**, Director of Mission, Prayers of the People  
**Rebecca Chu**, Organist  
**Hannah Dixon McConnell**, Dir. of Worship, Choir Director  
**Allison Allen, Kiki Hood**, Worship Leaders; **Fred Bryant**, Guitars; **Noah McLeod**, Piano; **Scott Henrie**, Bass; **Kon Savoy**, Drums; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion  
**Neal Ostrovsky**, A/V Coordinator  
**Trudy Delfosse**, A/V Volunteer

### Prayer Companions:

Marilyn Haase and Mike Denesha

## Sunday Worship at First Presbyterian Evanston

### Worship Services - Options for Families:

Children are welcome in worship!\*\*

#### 9 a.m. Blended Service

**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.

#### 11:30 a.m. Contemporary Service

**Children 4 and under** – Crib Room

\*\* Worship journals & children's bulletins are available in the back of the Sanctuary.  
Changing tables & quiet space is available in the back corner lounge 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 & 5** - 3rd Floor (Center)

**Sunday School Grades 6, 7 & 8** -

NUBS Lounge, 3rd Floor

**High School Sunday School Grades**

**9-12** - PYGS Lounge, Basement

#### Adult Discipleship Learning

**By the Rivers of Babylon: "Singing the Lord's Song in a Strange Land" (Parlor, 2nd Floor)** — This class is a character study of various people living during the times of exile described in the Old Testament. Facilitator: J.J. Ivaska.

**Rejoicing in the Impact of Seed Money: Missions Class on the Great Commission Fund. Dining Room (2nd Floor)** — This class celebrates what God has done in recent years through the Great Commission Fund of FPCE. Facilitator: Caryl Weinberg.

**Intimacy with God and Others: Relationships Class (Room 213, 2nd Floor)** — We will learn practical ways how to love God with all our heart, love our spouse, our children and our neighbors as ourselves. Facilitators: Judith Hylton, Linda Hoff Irvin.

**Being Christian! (Choir Room, 1st Floor)** — This class will study the book "Being Christian" by Rowan Williams as well as the essay "Strange New World of the Bible" by Karl Barth. Facilitator: Rev. Henry Coates.

**Single But Not Alone! "Walk in Confidence with Christ - A Study of Ephesians" (Room 102)** — Welcome all Singles! We're a diverse group that welcomes adults who are single at any stage in their lives. This class meets October 14, 28, November 4, 11, and 18. Facilitator: Karen Shaw

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WELCOME TO

# Sunday Worship

October 14, 2018, 9:00 am



Our Mission:

KNOWING CHRIST

FOLLOWING CHRIST

SERVING CHRIST



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN EVANSTON