

FOCUS

Opening Sentences

Lord God, when we struggle to worship You as Lord, show us again the beauty and power of Your rule. Teach us again that serving You is the path to true freedom. May Your Holy Spirit strengthen us today, leading us to honor and worship You more deeply, not only with the words we sing but also with the lives we lead before You, through Jesus, our reigning Lord. Amen.

Prelude

Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme
(Awake, calls the voice to us) BWV 645
(J.S. Bach)

EXALT

Introit **“Sleepers, Wake!” A Voice Astounds Us, v. 1** **Blue #17**
(Words: Philipp Nicolai, 1599, trans. Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1982;
Music: Attr. Philipp Nicolai, 1599, harm. J.S. Bach, 1731)

Call to Worship (Psalm 95:1-6)

Leader: O Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**All: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!**

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

L: In His hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are His also.

**A: O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our maker!**

Opening Hymn

Come, Christians, Join to Sing*
(Words: Christian Henry Bateman, 1843;

Blue #150

Music: Spanish folk melody, arr. Benjamin Carr, 1824, harm. David Evans, 1927)

Prayer of Confession

All: Holy God, we confess that we have neglected to declare Jesus the king and model for our lives. We have been quick to call on others to follow the ways of Christ yet slow to do the same. We have been bold in demanding generosity, mercy, and forgiveness, yet quiet when it comes to offering inclusion, love, and compassion. Forgive us, O God. Restore in us, yet again, the commitment to be more Christlike in word, in deed, and in spirit. Amen.

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

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: All things, in heaven and on earth, are reconciled to God in Jesus Christ. Forgiveness is ours through faith in the Lord, in whom God was pleased to dwell.

Believe the good news and be at peace.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

Come To Save Us*

(Words and Music: Leslie Jordan and David Leonard)

ENCOUNTER

Welcome

Faith in Action - Exploring God

Children's Moment

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Scripture

Revelation 19:1-10
(New Testament p. 247-248)

Sermon

Salvation, Glory and Honor Belong to God

RESPOND

Offering

Musical Offering

Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness
Sung to the tune “Schmuecke Dich” from Blue #506
(Catherine Winkworth and Johann Franck)

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness.
Come into the daylight's splendor;
There with joy thy praises render
Unto Christ, whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous banquet founded.
High o'er all the heavens He reigneth,
Yet to dwell with Thee He deigneth.

Sun, Who all my life dost brighten;
Light, Who dost my soul enlighten;
Joy, the best that any knoweth;
Fount, whence all my being floweth;
At Thy feet I cry, my Maker,

Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven,
For our good, Thy glory given.

Jesus, bread of life, I pray Thee,
Let me gladly here obey Thee;
Never to my hurt invited,
Be Thy love with love requited.
From this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
Through the gifts
Thou here dost give me,
As Thy guest in heaven receive me.

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

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Benediction

Postlude

Song of Joy

(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.

November 25, 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/Graduate 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. Amanda Golbek, Dir. of Youth Ministries, Opening Sentences, Call to Worship, Sermon, Benediction
Rev. Henry Coates, Designated Associate Pastor, Prayer of Confession & Assurance
Rev. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor, Welcome, Prayers of the People
May Tchao, Scripture Reader
Rebecca Chu, Organist
Meghan Dietrich, Worship Leader;
Hannah McConnell, Dir. of Worship & Music, Piano, Worship Leader, Children's Moment; **Fred Bryant**, Guitar; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion
Neal Ostrovsky, A/V Coordinator
Zoe Myatt, A/V Volunteer

Prayer Companions:
Ron and Eleanor Ehresman

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

No Adult Education this week!

Next Week:

All-Church Adult Education Advent Classes

"Faith & the Creative Arts"

Sundays, December 2, 9, and 16 — 10:30 a.m.

In the Dining Room (2nd Floor) between services.

All FPCE adults are encouraged to participate in the all-church Adult Education classes for Advent. Each week, a guest instructor will help us explore the relationship between our faith and the enjoyment of and participation in the creative arts.

December 2	Richard Jones	Poetry
December 9	Dick Ryan	Music, Opera, Conducting
December 16	Cam Anderson	Visual Arts

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Sunday Worship

November 25, 2018, 9:00 am



Our Mission:

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FOLLOWING CHRIST

SERVING CHRIST



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