
FOCUS

Prayer Before Worship

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful.

Colossians 3:15

OPENING PRAISE

Greeting

Opening Praise

Forever*
(Words and Music: Chris Tomlin)

Cornerstone*
(Words and Music: William Batchelder Bradbury, Eric Liljero, Reuben Morgan, Edward Mote, and Jonas Myrin)

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, forgive us for ignoring Your gifts, misusing Your gifts, even abusing Your gifts. We repent of our feelings of entitlement, of our lack of generosity, of our ingratitude. Forgive us, we pray, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

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

Declaration of Forgiveness

Brothers and sisters in Christ:
God the creator brings you to new life,
forgives you and redeems you.
Take hold of this forgiveness,
and live your life in a spirit of gratitude.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*
(Words and Music: Edwin Othello Excell, Louie Giglio, John Newton, John P. Rees, and Chris Tomlin)

CONNECT

Welcome & Announcements

Offering

Offering Song

Thank You*
(Words and Music: Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan)

Passing of the Peace

ENCOUNTER

Responsive Scripture Lesson **Psalm 136**
(Old Testament, pp. 587-588)

Message

Gratitude: God's Love Endures Forever

RESPONSE

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

All who are truly sorry for their sins, who sincerely believe in the Lord Jesus as their Savior, and who desire to live in obedience to Him, are invited to take communion.

(Please indicate to the servers if you wish to be served in the pew. All are invited to take a piece of bread, dip it in the cup, and receive the elements, with the response, "Thanks be to God!" We are pleased to offer gluten-free communion bread, located in the clear plastic cups at each station.)

Communion Song

Nothing But The Blood
(Words and Music: Robert Lowry)

Prayer After Communion

Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Blessing

* 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 19, 2017 - 11:30 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 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. Dr. Ray Hylton, Senior Pastor, Prayer of Confession & Assurance, Prayers of the People

Rev. Henry Coates, Designated Associate Pastor, Welcome, Sermon

Abe Pennant, Scripture Reader

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

Bryan Carmody, **Anika Velasco**, Worship Leader; **Fred Bryant**, **Christie Miller**, Guitar; **Noah McLeod**, Keys; **Erwin Yasukawa**, Bass; **Kon Savoy**, Drums;

Tina Laughlin, Percussion

Neal Ostrovsky, Audio/Visual Coordinator

Stephen Ferguson, A/V Volunteer

Prayer Companions:

Sally Ivaska and Joel McGinty

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

High School Sunday School Grades

9-12 - PYGS Lounge, Basement

Confirmation - Main Floor Choir Room

Adult Discipleship Learning

Today is Fellowship Sunday. There are no Adult Education Classes this morning. Please join us in Roy Hall for time together with other FPCE attendees!

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

November 19, 2017, 11:30 am - Contemporary



Our Mission:

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FOLLOWING CHRIST

SERVING CHRIST



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN EVANSTON