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FOCUS

*Prayer Before Worship*

“But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’” I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

- Luke 18:13-14

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OPENING PRAISE

*Greeting*

*Opening Praise*     **Come Ye Sinners Poor And Needy\***

*(Words and Music: Joseph Hart, Fernando Ortega, and John Andrew Schreiner)*

**All Who Are Thirsty\***

*(Words and Music: Brenton Brown and Glenn Robertson)*

*Prayer of Confession*

**ALL: Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against You  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved You with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in Your will,  
and walk in Your ways,  
to the glory of Your Name. Amen.**

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

**And Can It Be, chorus**

**Red #29**

*(Words: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788; Music: Thomas Campbell, 1777-1844)*

*Declaration of Forgiveness*

LEADER: Believe the Good News of the Gospel:

**ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

**No Longer Slaves\***

*(Words and Music: Jonathan David Helser and Melissa Helser)*

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CONNECT

*Welcome & Announcements*

*Musical Offering*     **What A Friend We Have in Jesus**

*(Words and Music: Charles Crozat Converse and Joseph Medlicott Scriven)*

*Passing of the Peace*

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ENCOUNTER

*Scripture Lesson*

**Luke 18:9-14**

*(New Testament, pp. 76-77)*

*Message*

**Thank God You're Sick**

**Big Idea:** No matter how badly we may feel about ourselves or something we've done, God loves us just as we are.

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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!" At the communion station to your left, designated by a blue napkin, we are pleased to offer gluten-free communion bread.)*

*Communion Song*

**Nothing But The Blood**

*(Words and Music: Robert Lowry)*

*Prayer After Communion*

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostle's Creed*

*Blessing*

**I Want Jesus to Walk with Me, v. 1**

**Blue #363**

*(Words: African American Spiritual;*

*Music: African American Spiritual, arr. Nolan Williams, Jr., 2000)*

**Welcome** We're glad you are here!

We ask everyone to complete and return this tear-off slip to the offering basket every week.

March 11, 2018 - 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 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.

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 & Declaration of Forgiveness, Prayers of the People  
**Rev. Henry Coates**, Designated Associate Pastor, Welcome  
**Rev. Dr. C. Clifton Black**, Professor of Biblical Theology, Princeton Theological Seminary, Guest Preacher, Sermon, Blessing  
**Rev. Kristin Mueller**, Dir. of Children's Ministries  
**Amanda Golbek**, Dir. of Youth Ministries, Scripture Reader  
**Elizabeth Ferguson**, Interim Praise Band Director, Worship Leader, Piano;  
**Bryan Carmody**, Worship Leader; **Ellie Weber**, Worship Leader; **Fred Bryant**, Guitar; **Christie Miller**, Guitar; **Scott Henrie**, Bass; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion; **Kon Savoy**, Drums  
**Neal Ostrovsky**, Audio/Visual Coordinator  
**Stephen Ferguson**, A/V Volunteer

### Prayer Companions:

Kim Klamm and Bob Bastian

## 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 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** - 3rd Floor (Center)

**Grades 5 & 6** - 3rd Floor (East)

**Sunday School Grades 7 & 8** -

NUBS Lounge, 3rd Floor

**High School Sunday School Grades**

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

### Adult Discipleship Learning

**Building Strong and Lasting Relationships** (Room 213) – 5 Disciplines of a Growing Marriage continues in February. Led by Judith Hylton, Linda Hoff Irvin and Judy Slagle.

**Gospel of Mark** (Parlor) - We will look at the seemingly simple question "Who do you say I am?" from Mark 8:29, and its implications. Led by Rev. Dr. C. Clifton Black.

**Lenten Group Class** (Room 103) - The Small Groups Ministry Team hosts a study based on the Lenten Sermon Series on the Gospel of Luke. Join us to discuss the sermon and delve deeper! Led by Katy Ingle and Olga Ricketts-Pearl.

**Missions** (Dining Room) – "Building Friendships with Muslims and Internationals: Cultivating Meaningful Spiritual Conversations." Sharon Hale facilitates this week's class.

**Sunday Morning Forum (Room 206)** – We'll be discussing N.T. Wright's book "The Day the Revolution Began." All are welcome!

**Single But Not Alone** (Room 102) - "Understanding Life as Single Christians through 1 Peter". Our meeting dates are 3/11, 4/8, and 5/6. Facilitated by Karen Alicia Shaw.

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WELCOME TO

# Sunday Worship

March 11, 2018, 11:30 am - Contemporary



Go  
Deeper  
with  
Jesus

Our Mission:

KNOWING CHRIST

FOLLOWING CHRIST

SERVING CHRIST



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN EVANSTON