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FOCUS

*Opening Sentences*

“The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ and He will reign forever and ever.”

Revelation 11:15

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OPENING PRAISE

*Opening Praise*

***Our God Reigns Forever\****

*(Words and Music: B.J. Putnam and Israel Houghton)*

*Prayer of Confession*

**All: Savior, Shepherd, Messiah, King—we know You by many names, Lord. The presence of God 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 evil strikes, 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, that You reign victorious and unexpected, forever and ever. By the presence of Your Holy Spirit, dispel our gloom and despair. Redeem our broken world. Change our garments of darkness into robes of dazzling light. Spread Your table before us, and feed us from Your hand. 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)*

*Declaration of Forgiveness*

Leader: Hear the words of Revelation:

Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed.

**All: With His blood He has purchased us for God**

**From every tribe, tongue, and nation.**

Hear the Good News of the Gospel:

**in Jesus Christ, we are saved from the power of Sin and Death.**

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

***And Can It Be\****

*(Words and Music: Thomas Campbell and Charles Wesley)*

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CONNECT

*Welcome & Announcements*

*Faith in Action - Angel Tree*

*Offering*

*Musical Offering*

***He Reigns\****

*(Words and Music: by Peter Furler and Steve Taylor)*

*Offering Prayer*

*Passing of the Peace*

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ENCOUNTER

*Scripture & Congregational Song*

***Revelation 11:15-18***

***Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah***

*(G.F. Handel)*

Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall reign for ever and ever, King of kings, and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!

*Message*

***Our God Reigns***

**Big Idea:** Even though God's reign is ignored on earth, heaven's hosts know that the kingdom of the world will one day become the kingdom of the Lord and His Messiah.

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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*

***Lamb of God\****

*(Words and Music: Andi Rozier, Jason Ingram, and Meredith Andrews)*

*Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer*

*Affirmation of Faith in Song*

***This I Believe\****

*(Words and Music: Ben Fielding and Matt Crocker)*

*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 4, 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  
 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 of Confession & Declaration of Forgiveness, Welcome  
**Rev. Henry Coates**, Designated Associate Pastor, Sermon, Blessing  
**Dennis Li**, Scripture Reader  
**Rebecca Chu**, Organist  
**Daniel Allen, Bryan Carmody**, Worship Leaders; **Daniel Allen & Fred Bryant**, Guitar; **Hannah McConnell**, Dir. of Worship, Choir Director, Piano; **Scott Henrie**, Bass; **Kon Savoy**, Drums; **Tina Laughlin**, Percussion  
**Neal Ostrovsky**, A/V Coordinator  
**Trudy Delfosse**, 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 Room 21 (in the basement) 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 November 4, 11, and 18. Facilitator: Karen Shaw

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WELCOME TO

# Sunday Worship

November 4, 2018, 11:30 am - Contemporary



### Our Mission:

KNOWING CHRIST

FOLLOWING CHRIST

SERVING CHRIST



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN EVANSTON