

First Presbyterian Evanston

Sunday Worship

February 14, 2021 – 10 a.m.
The Transfiguration of the Lord

FOCUS

Prelude

A Simple Song

*(Music & lyrics from “Mass,” Leonard Bernstein,
addl. lyrics by Stephen Schwartz, 1971)*

Sing God a simple song:
Lauda, Laude...
Make it up as you go along:
Lauda, Laude...
Sing like you like to sing.
God loves all simple things,
for God is the simplest of all.

I will sing the Lord a new song
to praise Him, to bless Him, to bless the Lord.
I will sing His praises while I live
all of my days.

Blessed is the man who loves the Lord,
blessed is the man who praises Him.
Lauda, Lauda, Laude,
and walks in His ways.

I will lift up my eyes
to the hills from whence comes my help.

I will lift up my voice to the Lord,
singing Lauda, Laude.

For the Lord is my shade,
is the shade upon my right hand,
and the sun shall not smite me by day
nor the moon by night.

Blessed is the man who loves the Lord,
Lauda, Lauda, Laude,
and walks in His ways.

Lauda, Lauda, Laude,
Lauda, Lauda di da di day...
all of my days

Welcome & Announcements

EXALT

Opening Hymn

Light Shine In

*(Words & Music: Paul Mabury & Jacob Cooter,
arr. Erik Foster, 2012, CCLI Song # 6395924)*

Arise for the light has come
Darkness bows down to the risen Son the risen Son
Arise raise your hands and sing
To the one God to the one God

You are You are the matchless King
Who tore down the gates of the enemy
Make way make way for Christ and sing

Let Your kingdom come
Let Your kingdom come

Arise for the battle's won
Our hearts bow down to the risen Son
The risen Son
Arise raise your hands and sing
To the one God to the one God

You are You are the matchless King
Who tore down the gates of the enemy
Make way make way for Christ and sing
Let Your kingdom come

Come let the light shine in
Come let the light shine in
Come let the light shine in
Come let the light shine in

We'll let Your light shine in
We'll let Your light shine in
We'll let Your light shine in
We'll let Your light shine in

You are You are the matchless King
Who tore down the gates of the enemy
Make way make way for Christ and sing
Let Your kingdom come

You are You are the matchless King
Who tore down the gates of the enemy
Make way make way for Christ and sing

Let Your kingdom come

Oh let Your kingdom come

Oh let Your kingdom come

Let Your kingdom come

Prayer of Confession

All: Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts, cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength. Through Jesus Christ, your son, we pray, amen.

(We offer our silent prayers to the Lord.)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, receive, hear, the good news of the gospel. Through, and by, and because, of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God, amen and amen.

ENCOUNTER

Children's Moment

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Scripture

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. 4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5 For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. 6 For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The glory of Christ in a blind world

Rev. Dr. Raymond Hylton, Senior Pastor

RESPOND

Sharing of Tithes & Offerings

Song of Response

Open My Eyes That I May See

(Words & Music: Clara H. Scott, 1895;

CCLI Song #68003)

Open my eyes, that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.

Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear
Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;

And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
Everything false will disappear.

Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my ears, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear
Gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare
Love with Thy children thus to share.

Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my heart, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Closing Song

Rise, Shine, You People!

*(Words: Ronald A. Klug, b. 1939, alt; Music: Dale Wood, 1934-2003;
One License Song #01597)*

Rise, shine, you people! Christ the Lord has entered
Our human story; God in him is centered.
He comes to us, by death and sin surrounded,
With grace unbounded.

See how he sends the pow'rs of evil reeling;
He brings us freedom, light and life and healing.
All men and women, who by guilt are driven,
Now are forgiven.

Come, celebrate; your banners high unfurling,
Your songs and prayers against the darkness hurling.
To all the world go out and tell the story
Of Jesus' glory.

Tell how the Father sent the Son to save us.
Tell of the Son, who life and freedom gave us.
Tell how the Spirit calls from ev'ry nation
God's new creation.

Benediction

Postlude

Ye Holy Angels Bright

(Stephen Burtonwood, b. 1951)

Worship Service Leaders

Rebecca Chu, Organ, Prelude, Hymn of Response, Closing Hymn, Postlude

Paul Koch, Chancel Choir Section Leader, Prelude, Hymn of Response, Closing Hymn

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Allison Allen, Vocals, **Daniel Allen & Fred Bryant**, Guitars, **Kon Savoy**, Drum Set, Opening Song

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***First Presbyterian Church of Evanston
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as we serve and make disciples in Evanston,
the Chicago area, and the world.***

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