

Order of Worship
September 15, 2019 — 9 a.m.

FOCUS

Welcome

Opening Sentences
Faith is the avenue to salvation. Not intellectual understanding. Not money. Not your works. Just simple faith. How much faith? The faith of a mustard seed, so small you can hardly see it. But if you will put that little faith in the person of Jesus, your life will be changed. He will come with supernatural power into your heart. It can happen to you.

- Billy Graham

Prelude

Partita 1 from “O Gott, du frommer Gott”
(J.S. Bach, 1685-1750)

EXALT

Choral Introit

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
(Words: Horatius Bonar, 1808-1889, alt.; Music: “The Third Tune,” Thomas Tallis, 1505-1585, ed. John Wilson, b. 1905)

Call to Worship
Leader: This morning, God, we want everything to be for your glory.
All: We want our thoughts, our words, our songs, our church, our community, our resources, our time, our lives—all to be for you.
Everything ours is yours, and we come together to declare this to be so, on this Sunday, your holy day.
Bless our time together with your holy presence, Amen.

Opening Hymn

We Plow the Fields and Scatter, v. 1 & 3*
(Words: Blue #560, Matthias Claudius, 1782;
Music: Tune “Ellacombe,” Blue #89, Gesangbook der Herzogl, 1784; alt. 1868)

Prayer of Confession
All: Heavenly Father, we come before you confessing the profound and disquieting truth that our ways are not the ways you have called us to. We realize, again, that it is only by the grace attained for us by the death and resurrection of Jesus that we can have true fellowship with you. Hear us as we lift our sins up to you in silent prayer. Amen.
(People offer their own private silent prayers to the Lord)

Assurance of Pardon
Leader: By Christ’s work, we are reconciled and united with God and with one another.
Thanks be to God for the Good News:
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Hear The Call Of The Kingdom*
(Words and Music: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend, 2006)

Seek Ye First*
(Words and Music: Karen Lafferty, 1986)

ENCOUNTER

Children's Moment
Blessing of the Backpacks & Teacher Blessing
Passing of the Peace of Christ
Faith in Action - Kathleen Lin

Scripture

Luke 13:18-19
(New Testament p. 72)

Sermon

Big Things Come in Small Packages

RESPOND

Song of Responose

Now to Him Who is Able
(Words: Ephesians 3:20-21; Music: Robert McConnell, 2019)

Sharing of Tithes and Offerings

Reverse Offering - Mustard Seed

Musical Offering

Christ Hath a Garden
(Words: Robert Bridges, after Isaac Watts, alt.; Music: Gerald Near, 1973)

Christ hath a garden seen around,
A paradise of fruitful ground,
Chosen by love and fenced by grace
From out the world’s wide wilderness.

Awake, O wind of heav’n, and bear
Their sweetest perfume through the air:
Stir up, O south, the boughs that bloom,
Till the beloved Master come:

Like trees of spice his servants stand,
There planted by his mighty hand;
By Eden’s gracious streams, that flow
To feed their beauty where they grow.

That he may come, and linger yet
Among the trees that he hath set;
That he may evermore be seen
To walk amid the springing green.

Doxology & Offering Prayer

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Blue #592
(Words: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709; Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551)

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord* Blue #441
(Words: Timothy Dwight, 1800; ‘The Universal Psalmody’, 1763, adapt. Aaron Williams, 1770)

Benediction

Postlude

Partita 8 from “O Gott, du frommer Gott”
(J.S. Bach, 1685-1750)

* 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 who is with us to fill out the attendance pads in the pews each week.

If you are in need of prayer, we invite you to fill out this tear-off tab and place it in the offering basket.

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Your Name

Phone: ☐ Cell ☐ Home

Email address

☐ I would like make an appointment to speak to a pastor.

☐ I’m in need of Stephen Ministry assistance.

☐ I’m sharing a PRAISE/CELEBRATION note about FPCE below! (This may be shared publicly).

☐ I’m interest in learning about counseling from The Counseling Center

Please Pray for: (This is shared with pastors & confidential prayer team.)

Please silence all cell phones
and electronic devices

Welcome Visitors!

Please visit our Welcome Table across from our front desk out the east doors 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 it 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, Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession & Assurance, Sermon, Benediction
Rev. Amanda Golbek, Minister of Children & Youth, Children's Message
Kathleen Lin, Faith in Action
Bob Hecker, Prayers of the People
Hannah McConnell, Dir. of Worship & Music, Choir Director, Welcome, Opening Sentences
Rebecca Chu, Organist
Crofton Coleman, Guest Worship Band Director, Worship Leader, & Piano;
Christie Miller, Guitar; **Scott Henrie**, Bass; **Fred Bryant**, Drums; **Paul Ross**, Percussion
Neal Ostrovsky, A/V Coordinator
Trudy Wenger, A/V Volunteer

Prayer Companions:

Ron and Eleanor Ehresman

Sunday Worship at First Presbyterian Evanston

Worship Services - Options for Families:

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9 a.m. Blended Service

Infants/Toddlers – Blue Room

Ages 2-4 – Blue Room

Ages 4-8 – Children's Worship in the choir room following Children's Moment. Children return to sanctuary after the sermon (during the Song of Response).

11:30 a.m. Contemporary Service

Children 4 and under – Blue 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 - Blue Room

Ages 2 & 3 - Yellow Room

Pre-K - Red Room

Kindergarten - Orange Room

Grades 1 & 2 - 3rd Floor (Center)

Grades 3, 4 & 5 - 3rd Floor (East)

Sunday School Grades 6, 7 & 8 -

NUBS Lounge, 3rd Floor

High School Sunday School Grades

9-12 - PYGS Lounge, Basement

Adult Discipleship Learning -

Missions Class (Dining Room) – *Messengers of Hope*. Leaders will include a variety of local, national and international teachers.

Community Life (Parlor) – *What we do, all the time, with all we have: A*

Stewardship Class. Led by Melanie Myatt and Pastor Henry Coates. Runs September 15 through October 27.

Bible Class (Room 213) – *Exploring The Shema* (Deuteronomy 6:4-5). Led by J.J. Ivaska.

Theology Round Table (Room 206) – *The Kingdom of God*. Group discussion.

Single But Not Alone (Room 102) – *Living a Life Worthy of God - A Study of 1 Thessalonians*. *Singles Group*. Meets September 15 & 22, October 6, 13, & 27, November 3, 10, & 17.

All-Church Class, September 29

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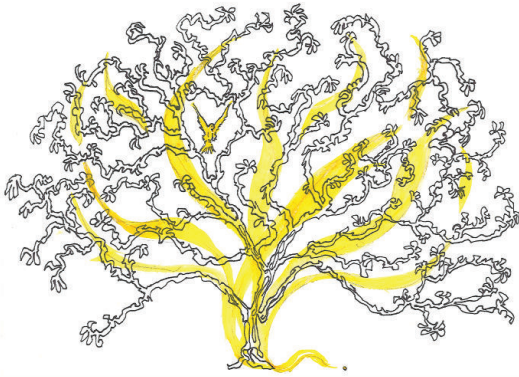
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Our Mission:

*First Presbyterian Church of Evanston
exists to know Christ and to grow in him
as we serve and make disciples in Evanston,
the Chicago area, and the world.*



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