

Stronger Together- Cultivating Individuals

"Voice the Vision"

February 21, 2021

10:30 a.m.

WELCOME

OPENING SONGS “Open the Eyes of My Heart”

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You (repeat)**

To see You high and lifted up
shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your pow'r and love
as we sing, "Holy, holy, holy"

**“Holy, holy, holy”
“Holy, holy, holy”
“Holy, holy, holy”
I want to see You**

“Your Name is Holy”

**You are the sovereign 'I am'
Your name is Holy.**
**You are the pure, spotless Lamb
Your name is Holy.**

**You are the Almighty One Your name is Holy.
You are the Christ,
God's own Son
Your name is Holy.**

**In Your name, there is mercy for sin.
There is safety within,
in Your holy name.**

**In Your name, there is strength to remain.
To stand in spite of pain,
in Your holy name.**

WE CONFESS OUR BROKEN COMMUNITY

Pastor: Friends, “Turn away from evil and do good. Work hard at living in peace with others.” (Psalm 34:14)

People: **Father, we confess our broken condition and our separation. We tear apart the fabric of your world and distance ourselves from each other. We fail to love our families and we fail to respect authority. Sin rips apart what once was held together by your love. We desire unity and peace but we are powerless to change on our own. We realize that we need a Savior.**

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S COMMUNITY

Pastor: The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ has brought the world back together. Our sin-shattered existence has been restored because of the life-giving sacrifice of God's son. Through the Holy Spirit, we have the power to change our vision for one life and world. We are one in God's new community. We are one in body and spirit. Praise God for His forgiveness and peace.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE READING II Corinthians 5:14-21

¹⁴ For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵ and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸ All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

SONG FOR THE DAY “Be Thou My Vision”

**Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that Thou art-
Thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.**

**Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father and I thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.**

**High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.**

THE MESSAGE

“Voice the Vision”

Pastor Marty Hufford

WE STATE OUR FAITH The Lord’s Prayer- First Petition

Pastor: In the Lord’s Prayer, we pray together:

People: **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.**

Pastor: What does this mean?

People: **God’s name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.**

Pastor: How is God’s name kept holy?

People: **God’s name is kept holy when His Word is taught in its truth and purity, and we as the children of God lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God’s Word profanes the name of God among us. From this preserve us, heavenly Father! Amen!**

SONG OF PRAISE

"Great Are You Lord"

**You give life, You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore ev'ry heart that is broken
And great are You, Lord**

**Chorus: It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only**

PRAYERS

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: The Lord's peace be with you always.

People: Amen.

We believe and teach that the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ are truly present in the bread and wine of the Lord's Supper. Through these gifts the forgiveness of our sins is communicated and our faith is strengthened.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG “Salvation is Here”

God above all the world in motion
God above all my hopes and fears
And I don't care what the world throws at me now
I'm gonna be alright

Hear the sound of the generations
Making loud their freedom song
All in all, that the world would know Your name
We're gonna be alright

Cause I know my God saved the day
And I know His Word never fails
And I know my God made a way for me
Salvation is here

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OFFERINGS

At this time, offerings may be mailed to the church:
Address: 21W500 Butterfield Rd. Lombard, IL. 60148.

We also have the option to accept *online* offerings. A link to submit an offering online may be found in the weekly e-newsletter, or on our website: www.peacehome.org. Thank you for your faithful support!

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Public Prayer Page 2/21/2021

Peace's Prayer Ministry has a number of options available for your prayer needs: Prayer Ministers are available on an individual basis in the front of the Sanctuary after each Sunday service. During the week, you may contact the Church Office to have prayers listed on the Prayer Page and included during worship services. You may also contact the Peace Prayer Chain Ministry directly 24/7 via e-mail at prayerchain@peacehome.org which goes out to over 35 partners in prayer.

Thanksgiving

...for the marriage of Rachel B. and Tom D., who were married on February 14

Healing & Care

...for **Chris T.**, undergoing treatment for cancer

...for **Mark S.** (father of Claire and Todd) diagnosed with cancer

...for **Patty** (best friend of Diana S.) who was just diagnosed with pancreatic cancer

...for **Mary** (mother of Donna N.) hospitalized and suffering from worsening dementia

...for **Betty** (mother of Linda P.) recovered from COVID but moved to a memory care facility and suffering from worsening dementia; prayers that she may adjust to the new surroundings

...for **Patrick** (son of Michael and Julie P.) diagnosed with a quarter-size brain tumor and awaiting Gamma Knife Radiosurgery to stop its growth

...for **Henrik and Christa S.** (parents of Gabriella B.); pray for God's encouragement as Christa adjusts to assisted living

...for **Judy** (mother of Nick P.) undergoing chemotherapy for pancreatic cancer

...for **Mitch K.** (Sharon Z.'s 20-year-old great-nephew) diagnosed with Ewing's sarcoma and having chemo treatments through July

...for **Mary Anne N.** on hospice care

God's Comfort

...for the family and friends of **Lynda B.**, who passed away on February 10

Peace

...as we begin this season of Lent, may it be for us a time of reflection, repentance and prayer as we remember what Christ sacrificed for us on the cross

Nation and World

...for an end to the pandemic, for peace in the world, and for peace and a renewed sense of community in our country