



# Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church

*Serving Christ in the Heart of Detroit*

Sunday, September 20, 2020

*As the Prelude begins, we enter into a time of prayer and reflection as we gather for worship.*

PRELUDE "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less" *arr. Wilbur Held*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

HYMN No. 353 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" *Solid Rock*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Philippians 3:4-14

*This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

SERMON "Humility is the Church's Lighthouse" *Rev. Matt Nickel*

SOLO "Who Am I?" *Stephen J. Warner*

*Text by Dietrich Bonhoeffer*

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.***

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*"Offering Boxes" are available by the Welcome Desk & Tower Foyer.*

*You may also give online at [www.japc.org/give](http://www.japc.org/give)*

HYMN No. 684 "Faith Begins by Letting Go" *Lux Prima*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Festival Fanfare" *Drummond Wolff*

***As the postlude concludes worship in the sanctuary,  
you are invited to listen and reflect as you carry your worship into the world.***

## **Exiting the Sanctuary**

*Please maintain physical distance of 6' as you leave the sanctuary. Please use the side aisles to reach exits that are located in the narthex, the tower, and the rear parking lot exit. Please save the center aisle for anyone who might need extra space to move slowly toward an exit.*

## ***Announcements***

**You are welcome here. You belong here:** A special welcome goes to guests and visitors. Our hope is that you feel like you belong, in this faith community. We'd love to connect. You can fill out a Connection Card online: <https://bit.ly/JAPCconnect>

**Enhanced Hearing in Worship** - Personal receivers are available in the Tower Foyer from an usher.

**The Board of Deacons encourages prayers** for Alice Bancroft, Fred Black, Donna Burt, Mardi Carruthers, Leslie Chamas, Ivan & Linda Fiscus, Brian Head, Sue Head, Ken Holden, Priscilla Kelsey, Chris Klinger, Elaine Kuester, Lesley Lambright, Anne, Sara, & Ben Maters, Eleanor Mobley, Johnnie Walker II, Tom Wininger, JAPC military; Capt. Michael Boyle, for people impacted by Covid-19, and those supporting people affected by coronavirus.

**Prayer Requests** - Let your Deacons pray with and for you. You may send your prayer requests to the Deacons using [prayer@japc.org](mailto:prayer@japc.org) or you can also call prayer requests to the church office and Pastor Matt at 313-822-3456.

**Today's Chancel Flowers** - are given to the glory of God in celebration of Jean Widger's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 8, by Jack Widger.

**Today's Ushers:** Barbara Prues and Keith Wicks.

**Thank You** to soloist Rose Randall Warner for enhancing worship this morning.

**Prayer Service for Healing & Wholeness** — On Thursday, September 24 at 7:00pm on the church lawn, we will bring to God the needs of our church, community, and city in prayer, music, and lament. Bring a chair or blanket to sit socially distanced worship service on the front lawn of the church.

**JAPC will host a Blood Drive** on Tuesday, September 29, from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendar and plan to join us to donate and/or volunteer during this important event. Blood donors are eligible if they donated on or before August 3. To register online go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) (sponsor code: japc13).

**Jazz at JAPC** - On Wednesday, September 30, at 7pm, Jazz at JAPC will present Keller-Kocher quintet in a socially-distanced combo concert on our front lawn. The concert will also feature our tower bells with a first-time collaboration with our Carillonneur, Jenny King!

**Bible & Brew Begins October 7** at 7:00pm on Zoom to explore Biblical passages about HOPE. The definition of HOPE can differ widely and we will explore them through scripture This is a great time to invite others to join us. Contact Lou Prues with questions or suggestions at [lprues@yahoo.com](mailto:lprues@yahoo.com) or (313) 402-8037. **Zoom Details:** To Join the Zoom Meeting click: <https://bit.ly/35Ba3oA> and use the passcode: **jesusloves** OR you can join by phone by dialing: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago), entering the Meeting ID: 858 0524 3001 and Passcode: 5709725877

**Shine Like Stars Sermon Series** — In September, we will focus on the book of Philippians. The church in Philippi was diverse, seeking to be faithful, worried about the future, and trying to understand what new life looked like in their time and place. Paul said to them that when they live to imitate Christ in their lives, they “shine like stars in the world.”

**Sunday Usher Sign-Up** - Sign up at <https://bit.ly/JAPCushersignup>. On the signup website there is a link to the responsibilities that you can download and print. If you need help signing up, please contact the church office.

**Produce Boxes on Fridays** - JAPC is distributing produce boxes every Friday at 11:00am in the church parking lot. Through our partnership with Food Rescue US, JAPC gives thirty 25 lb. boxes of fresh food to any who may find it helpful. Distribution is “contactless”. All food boxes are first come, first serve, so arrive promptly. **VOLUNTEERS:** Sign up online at <https://bit.ly/JAPCproduce>.