



Community  
Presbyterian  
Church  
OF CLARENDON HILLS



## Service for the Lord's Day

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

September 2, 2018

9:30 a.m.

**Prelude**

*Pastorale*

Louis Vierne

(Please use the prelude to make the transition from getting here to being here.  
Open yourself to the Spirit of God moving in our midst.)

**Words of Welcome**

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

Willem Marginean

**\*Sung Call to Worship 399** sing 3 times

*God Welcomes All*

THEMBA AMEN

**\*Opening Sentences** (Psalm 15:1-2)

Gregg Morton

One: Who may abide in the presence of God?

**All: Who may live on God's holy hill?**

One: All those who walk blamelessly and do what is right.

**All: All those who speak truth from their heart.**

**A Time for our Youngest Disciples**

Beth

(During the singing of the following hymn, children 1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
and younger may go to their Sunday School room with their teachers.)

**\*Hymn 31**

*Let Us with a Gladsome Mind*

MONKLAND

*\*rise in body or spirit*

## Call to Confession

Gregg

With sincere hearts and minds, let us confess our sins before God and the world, trusting in God's mercy to forgive.

## Prayer of Confession (written by Moira Laidlaw)

One: When the busyness of our lives erodes the intentions of our hearts:

**All: Merciful God, forgive us.**

One: When our personal agendas take precedence over reaching out to others:

**All: Merciful God, forgive us.**

One: When we keep putting off being more active "doers of the word":

**All: Merciful God, forgive us.**

One: When we resist change,

knowing that our acting and thinking are limited by our prejudice and ignorance:

**All: Merciful God, forgive us.**

One: When we only half-listen to those who cry out to be fully heard:

**All: Merciful God, forgive us.**

*A time of silence to contemplate these words  
and how they apply to us personally and as a community of faith.*

One: Let us pray together saying,

**All: Gracious and merciful God, forgive us for past faults and help us in the present and future to make ourselves more available to the hurting world that surrounds us—the world that begins on our doorsteps. Equip us to be patient and compassionate listeners, proclaiming the gospel not in overbearing ways but sensitively and lovingly. Strengthen us with the Holy Spirit to be fruitful and active witnesses to Jesus in all we do and say. We pray in Christ's name, Amen.**

## Declaration of Forgiveness (James 1:21-22)

One: As we become doers of the word and not merely hearers, surely evidence of the word planted deep inside us is able to save us.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Alleluia! Amen.**

## \*Sung Response to Pardon 581

*Glory Be to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI

## \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

One: As a sign of our reconciliation with God and one another, let us share the peace of Christ.

The Peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

(Let us exchange the peace of Christ with our neighbors.)

## Special Music

*Prelude*

Norbert Guinaldo

See Music notes on page 5

*\*rise in body or spirit*

**Prayer for Inspiration**

Gregg

**Scripture Reading**

James 1:17 - 27 (N.T. p. 214)

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**

*Let Your Actions Speak*

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

**\*Affirmation of Faith, pg. 35**

*Apostle's Creed*

**\*Hymn 308**

*O God in Whom All Life Begins*

NOEL

**The Offering**

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory**

*Holy God Over the Heavenly Realms*

Gregg

Johann Pachelbel

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,*

*Praise Christ all people here below,*

*Praise Holy Spirit evermore,*

*Praise Triune God whom we adore, Amen.*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Church Tidings**

Gregg

**Sharing of Joys & Concerns**

Beth

**Prayers of the People** (We lift this prayer to God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**)

**Lord's Prayer** (using "sins")

**\*Hymn 295**

*Go to the World!*

SINE NOMINE

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Response to Benediction 700 v. 1-2**

*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

I'M GONNA LIVE

*I'm gonna **live so** God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime! (sing twice)*

*I'm gonna **work so** God can use me  
Anywhere, Lord, anytime! (sing twice)*

**Postlude**

*Maestoso*

Felix Mendelssohn

*\*rise in body or spirit*

Liturgist: Gregg Morton

**Special Music on Organ:** Glenn Gabanski

**USHERING THIS MORNING:** Donna Gabanski, Bill Vickery, Michele Vickery, Dan Youngman

**HOSPITALITY:** Garrett, Sarah, Summer, Wesley & Sabrina Ryan

**THE FLOWERS ON THE COMMUNION TABLE:** Are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Margaret & Robert Wearne.

**OUR PASTORS WELCOME ALL CHILDREN**

In worship – the squiggly, the sleeping, the giggling and the goldfish snacks!

If you prefer, we do broadcast Worship in the Narthex where there is more room to move around.

Next Sunday in Worship

September 9

**Rally Day!**

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers preaching on

**Mark 7:24-37, Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23**

***No Isolation in God's Kindom***

**Communion**

Sunday School, all ages, resumes at 9:00 am

**Deacon Brunch at 10:00 am following worship**

Space for your reflections and doodles:



## Special Music Notes:

**Prelude by Noberto Guinaldo** is a contemporary piece that shows a different side of the organ than the Baroque and Classical period music often presented in worship at CPC yet is still appropriate for a liturgical service. It is a contemplative piece that makes use of traditional harmonies as well as dissonance, sustained notes, and dense textures that reflect what goes on at times in our lives. We often endure stress and conflict with the hope it will resolve into something better or more comforting. Ironically, Bach and other Baroque composers also made use of dissonance and dense textures that resolve into familiar harmonies and give us a good sense of closure. In that way, *Prelude* is not that different from music modern-day congregations are already used to hearing. Organist and composer, Norberto Guinaldo, was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He holds a master's degree in Theory and Composition from the University of California at Riverside and the Diplome Superieur d'Orgue from the Schola Cantorum in Paris, France. He has won several First Prizes in composition and has been the recipient of many commissions. Mr. Guinaldo has been organist at the United Methodist Church of Garden Grove, California, since 1965.

### This week at CPC:

#### Today, Sunday, September 2

9:30 a.m. —Worship

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School N – 1<sup>st</sup> Rm. 209

#### Monday, September 3

Church office closed in observance of Labor Day

#### Tuesday, September 4

7:00 a.m. — Men's Group narthex

12:00 p.m. — PW Kick-off & Lunch  
Fellowship Hall

1:30 p.m. — Staff Meeting

4:30 p.m. — Memorial & Gifts Comm narthex

7:00 p.m. — Stephen Ministry rm. 6-8

7:00 p.m. — House & Grounds Office

#### Wednesday, September 5

1:00 p.m. — Courage to Change Rm. 6-8

7:00 p.m.—Administration & Personnel 7:30

– 9:00 p.m. — Chancel Choir Choir Rm.

#### Thursday, September 6

7:00 – 8:00 p.m. — Clarion Bells Rm. 8

#### Friday, September 7

5:45 p.m. —Taizé Worship Carpool departs

6:30 p.m. — Disciples Retreat Departs

#### Saturday, September 8

No activities

#### Sunday, September 9 RALLY DAY

9:00 a.m. — Worship & Communion 9:00

a.m. — CPC Kids Rally Day Kick-off 9:00

a.m. — Sunday School N–8<sup>th</sup> Grade

10:15 a.m. — Deacons Brunch Parlor & front lawn  
(rain venue: Fellowship Hall)

## Children & Youth

### SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY — 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

Summer Sunday School for Nursery through 1<sup>st</sup> grade will meet today at 9:30 a.m. in room 209.



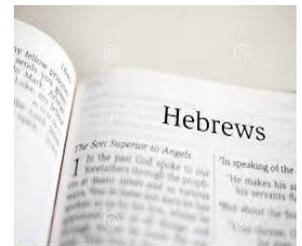
### CALLING ALL YOUTH

who are headed into their sophomore, junior, or senior year! Please fill out and **turn in all forms by September 4th!** Filled out forms can also be scanned and sent to Ed Burton ([ed.burton@chcpc.org](mailto:ed.burton@chcpc.org))

## Adult Education

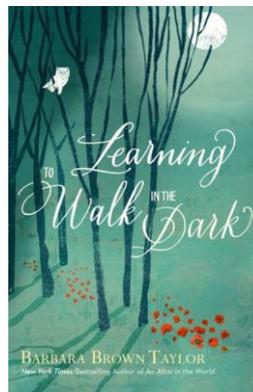
### MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m. in the parlor. All men are welcome. The group is studying of the book of Hebrews. Contact Bob Parsons at 708-588-1753 with questions.

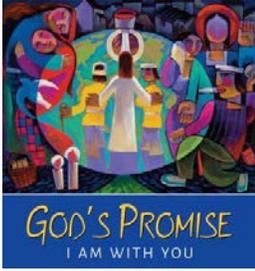


### THURSDAY MORNING DEVOTIONS

Our fabulous group will resume meeting on **Thursday, September 13th**, at 9:00 a.m. in the chapel. This fall we will be reading "Learning to Walk in the Dark" by Barbara Brown Taylor. Books are available through Pastor Lauren and are \$11.00 each. This group is open to anyone who would like to join: we meet for prayer (joys and concerns style) and book discussion from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. each week. This is a casual group, and we are excited to have you join even if you can't make it every week. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Lauren.



**THIS FALL IN PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN.** All women in the congregation are invited to join us this fall for delicious luncheons and exciting programs. We open the year with an introduction to the new, 2018-19 study guide, *God's Promise: I am With You*, presented by Rev. Beth Freese Dammers, on September 4, at 12:00 p.m. Throughout the Bible, God reminds us that he is here for us. Then on October 6, Deb Helms will tell us about her **SAFARI ADVENTURE!** November 6 continues our nature quest as Glenn Gabanski explains to us *Why Birds Matter*. We encourage you to join us this year for food, fellowship, and enlightening programs such as these.



**CHOIR REHEARSAL RESUMING**

Rehearsal for *A Ceremony of Carols* by Benjamin Britten, **begins Wednesday, September 5.**

Invite your friends to sing! *A Ceremony of Carols* will be shared in worship on Sunday, December 9th.

**Chancel Choir's mini retreat** will be Saturday, September 15 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. at church.

For more information please contact Gregg Sewell (gregg.sewell@chcpc.org)



**MEN'S RETREAT will be Friday—Sunday, September 28-30**

Stronghold Retreat Center in Oregon, IL.



**Our speaker is Rev. Jon Phillips**, a Presbyterian pastor and lecturer from Chicago Theological Seminary (CTS). Jon is earning his PhD from CTS in Theology, Ethics and Human Sciences, and serves several PC(USA) churches in Chicago. Jon will be leading discussions on the question of "What does it mean to be a Christian man in the world of masculinity, racism, and #metoo?" This is an *excellent* chance to dig deeper into your faith and see how it is intersecting with the world today.

**Find a brochure and registration form in the narthex for more information.**

**Registration and payment due TODAY September 2!**

**TAIZÉ WORSHIP ON FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH**

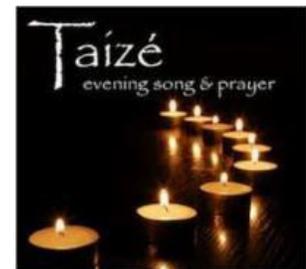
Share in the joy and inspiration of Taizé Worship as offered at Ascension Catholic Church in Oak Park. Taizé is meditative worship with simple music.

Worship starts at 7:30 pm. We need to arrive by 7:00 pm to get a seat.

Meet Pastor Beth in the CPC parking lot at 5:45 to car pool.

All welcome, especially children and youth.

Email Beth at beth.fd@chcpc.org if you are interested.



**A BEAUTIFUL MESS**

This young-mom's Bible study led by Pastor Lauren returns this fall, meeting at 9am at the Starbucks in Clarendon Hills on various dates. This fall we will be studying stories of motherhood in the Bible using a curriculum written by Lauren. Each week we check in with each other, read scripture, ask questions about our faith and God's word, and fellowship together over coffee (or whatever drink is your choice!). Email Lauren for more information or to get on the email group. Dates we meet: Mon. 9/17, Tues. 10/2, Mon. 10/15, Mon. 10/29, Tues. 11/13, Mon. 12/3. See you soon!



# September is Hunger Action Month

Community Presbyterian Church and HSC Family Services are teaming up to Feed Our Neighbors that are hungry in DuPage County!

The entire month of September will be dedicated to Hunger ACTION. Together with our friends and neighbors ---

## We will:

Every Tuesday in September - Send ourselves, our family and our friends and anyone else we know to Woodgrain Pizza and Potbelly's - because both of those establishments will donate up to 25% of our proceeds **to feed the hungry!**

## We will:

Volunteer to distribute bags to our neighbors - have them fill them full of fantastic food - and then collect them - it will be like Nancy and George Hamouz on steroids! The entire collection will be donated **to feed the hungry!**

## We will:

Pass out bags to patrons at our local Jewel - and ask our neighbors to **BUY EXTRA GROCERIES** to feed their neighbors while inside the store! All food to be donated **to feed the hungry!**



## We will:

Compete to win a prize! There will be teams - there will be RULES, and this competition will **FEED THE HUNGRY!!!** All ages will be able to participate!!

More information about this exciting month will be in the Sunday bulletin and sent to you via email! Please look for ways that you can participate. There are chances for all us to get involved in fighting local hunger, so we hope that you will look for the opportunity to join us in this important mission.

If you have any questions, please reach out to committee members: Stan Cook, Alyssa Woody, Bryce Bernard, Ed Burton, Amy Choe or Ann Lorenz.

## SAVE THE DATE:

The Progressive Dinner is back! Adults of CPC are invited to wine and dine with each other, enjoy BBQ from Pickens' Place, and support our Community Thanksgiving Dinner all in fun one evening! We will gather at 5:30p.m. on **October 20th**, at the home of Lynn and Andrew Mehrhoff in Hinsdale. Tickets are \$25 dollars a piece and will go on sale at the end of September. Talk to Pastor Lauren or Alyssa Woody if you have any questions!

## JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY!

### RALLY DAY AND DEACON BRUNCH

Join us for this fun gathering sponsored by the Board of Deacons after the 9:00 a.m. Worship on **Sunday, September 9**. Eggs, sausage, and beverages will be provided by the Board of Deacons. We will also have a bounce house, facepaint, and games for the kids.



If your last name begins with:

A-D, please bring a dozen bagels with cream cheese or English muffins and jam.

E-O, please bring coffee cake, pastries, donuts, or bread to share.

P-Z, please bring fruit for approximately 10 people.



### CPC KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF

is Sunday, September 9 at 9:00 a.m.  
for Nursery – 8<sup>th</sup> grade.



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*You are invited to a deeper life with God  
through the worship and programs at Community Presbyterian Church.*

For more information about our programs,  
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