



## Worship for the Lord's Day

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

September 10, 2023

9:30 am

Prelude

Hymn

Caleb Simper

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Words of Welcome

Rev. Susan Tindall

**\*Opening Words**

Liz Monson

One: Where two or three are gathered together;

**All: God is in their midst.**

One: We gather to proclaim the promises of God.

**All: We gather to retell the stories and to remember who we are as people of God.  
Let us worship!**

**\*Hymn 276**

*Sing a New Song unto the Lord*

SING A NEW SONG

**Call to Confession**

Liz

One: Amid the countless things that human beings cannot fully comprehend about God, there stands this: God so loves us as to bathe us with grace and feed us with mercy and forgive us our sins. Confident in the love of God, let us pray together.

## Prayer of Confession

**All:** Holy God, you have made your law clear: Love. Love one another. Owe one another nothing but love. Do no wrong to a neighbor. But we have not mastered what it is to love. We have fallen short, causing harm to others through careless action and thoughtless lack of action. Forgive us. Teach us how to love more fully, more perfectly, as generously as you love, following your law and fulfilling your will.

## Assurance of God's Grace

**One:** Christ does not judge us harshly, but forgives all our sin and leads us into new life.

**All:** We will not take this forgiveness for granted,  
but will let it transform how we live and love.

## \*Sung Response 582

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines On Me*

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

## \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Liz

**One:** As a sign of our reconciliation with God and with one another, let us share the peace with one another. The Peace of Christ be with you!

**All:** And also with you!

## \*Sung Response 472 v 1

*Kum ba Yah*

KUM BA YAH

## Sacrament of Baptism / Welcoming of New Members

Susan, Beth, Kristin, Ingrid Ellithorpe

Reception into Membership: Cameron & Mari Docter

Amy Campbell

Baptism of Olivia Docter & Claire Docter

## Prayer for Inspiration

Liz

## Scripture Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

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

**All:** Thanks be to God!

## Sermon

*Community*

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

## Offering Our Gifts to God

### Invitation to Offering

Liz

### Offertory

*Make a Joyful Noise*

Wesley D. Peters

Chancel Choir

\*Doxology words 607, tune 606

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Prayer of Dedication

Liz



QR Code for Giving

Holy Communion

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers & Rev. Susan Tindall

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: *(prayer continues)*

...Therefore with all creation we sing your praise:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; God of pow-er and might. Heav-en and  
 earth are full of your glo - - ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est! Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Blest is the one who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est! Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

One:

*(prayer continues)*

...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain. Ho -  
 san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na in the high-est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

*(prayer continues)*

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

**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 sins,  
as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.**



### **The Breaking of the Bread**

#### **\*Communion of the People**

*Ushers will invite you to come forward for the receiving of communion.  
All are invited to come to the table using the center aisle and return via the outside aisles.  
The center station offers allergen-free wafers and prepackaged communion elements.  
Any with mobility challenges will be served in the pews.*

#### **\*Communion Hymn 507**

*Come to the Table of Grace*

TABLE OF GRACE

#### **Prayer after Communion**

**God who calls us to create community, we thank you for the unity of life and love found in this bread and cup. Empower us with your loving grace, as we recommit to building community in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

#### **\*Hymn 539 v 1 & 3**

*We Will Go Out with Joy*

WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY

#### **\*Charge and Blessing**

#### **\*Postlude**

*Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

arr. Cindy Berry

*\* Please rise in spirit or body*

**All speak emboldened type**

**USHERS:** Andrew Petersen, Todd Petersen

**ACOLYTE:**

**LITURGISTS:** Liz Monson

**COMMUNION SERVERS:** Ann Jaltuch, Sam Dammers, Michele Vickery

**ONLINE WORSHIP HOST:** Gary Coop

**AV:** Paul Abraham, Teagan Manning

**Next Sunday in Worship, Sept 17**

## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

9:30 am

Genesis 50:15-21, Psalm 103:1-13, Matthew 18:21-35

### Learning to Forgive

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#### New Members: Cameron & Mari Docter, Olivia & Claire



Mari and Cameron met in 2011 while working together at United Airlines. They married in 2015 and have two girls, Olivia (3) and Claire (2), and a dog named Ralph. Mari was born in the Philippines and moved to the northern suburbs of Chicago when she was two where her parents still reside. She has one brother and two sisters who also live in Chicago. Cameron was born in southern Illinois and moved to St. Louis when he was 12 where his parents live in the summer and his sister, brother-in-law, and their three children also reside. Mari grew up Catholic and Cameron grew up going to Central Presbyterian Church in St. Louis. They were in the process of joining Fourth Presbyterian in the Gold Coast, but then had two kids 20 months apart, quickly ran out of space in their condo in the city, and moved to Clarendon Hills in May 2022. After moving, they started looking for the right church for their family and luckily found one a half a block from their new home in CPC. While their children and jobs take up the vast majority of their time, Mari enjoys working out and planning / attending social events as part of the Hinsdale Junior Womens' Club and Cameron enjoys golfing on the weekends.

#### New Member: Amy Campbell



Amy grew up an Army brat and lived all over the world as the 4th of 5 kids. They were raised in the Methodist church but were given the opportunity to choose their own faith and Amy chose to be baptized Methodist as an adult. Amy is a proud mom of 3; Nick is a senior, Cici a sophomore and Katie is in 7th grade. They moved from the city to Clarendon Hills (along with our 3 dogs) 5 years ago and while there is a lot they miss about the city, they love the convenience and community of Clarendon Hills. Amy stumbled into CPC through Cici when she was invited to participate in the youth group program. Amy was very involved in Young Life and Campaigners in high school and was thrilled when they found the youth programming at CPC. Amy was drawn to the inclusive and kind congregation and is excited to become a member and contribute to this church community. When she's not hanging with her kids, has her nose in a book or her hands in the garden, Amy runs global marketing campaigns for Nokia.



#### LET'S GET CONNECTED!

##### One-on-One Realm help is available this Sunday!

Having trouble accessing your Realm account? Do you need a Realm account? Want to use the online directory? Can't see your giving statement? Want to add your photo to your profile? So many questions you might have!

Stephanie Rens-Domiano and Michele Vickery will be available after worship Sunday, September 10 to help with all your Realm questions! If you can, bring your phone, iPad or laptop computer, or we can demonstrate on our devices.

**We are so excited to work with you to improve this tool to help us all get connected!**

**Stephanie Rens-Domiano**, Director of Digital Platforms. ([stephanie.rensdomiano@chcpc.org](mailto:stephanie.rensdomiano@chcpc.org))

**Michele Vickery**, Online Directory Ambassador ([emvickery@gmail.com](mailto:emvickery@gmail.com))



**This week at CPC:**

**Sunday, September 10**

**Communion**

**New members joining**

**Baptism**

**9:30 am — Worship**

**Monday, September 11**

7:00 pm — Session; Chapel / Hybrid

**Tuesday, September 12**

1:30 pm — Staff Meeting; Chapel / Zoom

**Wednesday, September 13**

7:00 pm — Chancel Choir rehearsal; Sanctuary

**Thursday, September 14**

9:00 am — Thursday Morning Devotions; Chapel/Hybrid

7:00 pm — Clarion Bells rehearsal; Rm 8

**Friday, September 15**

7:00 pm — Family Movie Night; South Lawn

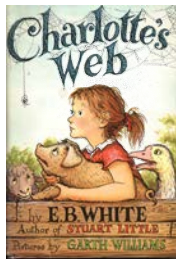
**Saturday, September 16**

**Sunday, September 17**

**9:30 am — Worship**

9:45 am — Faith Formation; LL Rm 6

10:45 am — Adult Ed; Chapel



**MOVIE UNDER THE STARS**

Friday, September 15

7:15pm (movie will begin at dusk)

Bring your own chair or blanket to spread out on. Popcorn, candy and drinks will be sold, cash only.

**CPC Youth begins TODAY**

**Middle School at 9:45am**

**High School at 5:00pm**

We are looking forward to beginning our programs TODAY! See below for information. Register today using the QR code!

**Middle School:** We will kick off our year on Sunday morning at 9:45am in room 8 on the Lower Level. Following the baptism in worship, we will gather together to have some food, play some games and begin getting to know one another!

**High School:** We look forward to welcoming you to the Youth Lounge on the lower level beginning at 5pm! Our time will include dinner so come hungry and ready to start our year together!



**NURSERY CARE**

The Nursery is staffed **TODAY**.

Families can drop off their little ones to be cared for by our volunteers. We use a pager

system in case a parent is needed. The Nursery is located across from the church office on the main floor and is always open and available for use even when not staffed by our volunteers.

**COMING SOON: live stream of the worship service in the Nursery!**



**CPCkids**

**CPC Kids program year begins**

**TODAY**

We have a wonderful year of faith formation, community outreach projects and special events planned for all children 3yrs - 10yrs.

Please click on the QR code to register your child Plan on a wonderful year filled with faith, fun and fellowship!



**Calling all kids 6yrs. and older**

You are invited to become an Acolyte. The Acolyte walks up during the prelude and lights the Christ candle on the chancel.

Although this is an important part of the service it is VERY simple... if you are interested, please click [HERE](#) to register!



**CPC YOUTH**

Connect • Explore • Serve



**ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES** for the year will start on September 17, at 10:45.



Our first two classes will delve into our hymnal, *Glory to God*. We'll explore the process that the compilers used to select the hymns. Then we'll do a deeper dive into the global selections, focusing on African Song and on Asian Song, the songs of the Pacific Rim. Our instructor is Dr. Lorraine Brugh, Senior Research Professor at Valparaiso University. She is a past president and charter member of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians. From 2021-2022, Dr. Brugh served as Artist in Residence at Pinnacle Presbyterian Church in Scottsdale, Arizona. She is a member of the North Academy of Liturgy, the American Guild of Organists, and she currently resides in Peoria, Arizona.

Although she was not part of the *Glory to God* development team, Dr. Brugh has become very knowledgeable on the hymnal, with a particular interest in the Pacific Rim selections.

As always, the classes will be presented in a hybrid format – onsite in the chapel and offsite via Zoom. Dr. Brugh will join us remotely from Arizona.

### **NEWS OF THE AMOS GROUP**

[Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Amos 5:24](#)



#### **Time to Register for a Discussion Group: Social Justice Summer Read**

Many of us have been reading *See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love*, by Valarie Kaur. At this point, three discussion groups have been scheduled – Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 7pm; Tuesday, Sept. 19 at 7pm; or Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 7:30pm.

**Good News:** Even if you didn't read the book – or haven't finished the book – the discussion group should work for you. The meetings will all be on Zoom. And at the beginning of each, the attendees will watch a video of the author. That will be followed by discussion.

[This link will take you to a flyer.](#) On the flyer are instructions to register with the hosting group so that you can get the Zoom link for the meeting you plan to attend.

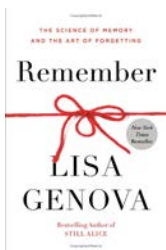
Please let me (Gregg) know which group you will attend. Also, let me know if you read the book and none of these dates/times work for you. Maybe another time will be possible.

Please send your questions, ideas or comments to [Gregg Morton](#).

#### **CIRCLE OF VOICES**

**September 29**

**Gathering Room 9:30 am**



Circle of Voices will meet on Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in the Gathering Room (Parlor) at CPC. Our book is *Remember: The Science of Memory and the Art of Forgetting* by **Lisa Genova**. All are welcome to join the discussion, even if you have not finished or read the book. The book is available at the Clarendon Hills Library. Traditionally we enjoy lunch together at a local restaurant. For more information, contact Barb Coop.

#### **CHOIRS AT CPC**

The Chancel Choir and the Clarion Bell Choir have begun rehearsals!

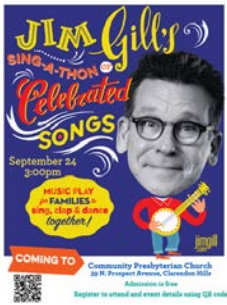
Chancel Choir - Rehearse Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

Clarion Bell Choir - Rehearse Thursdays, 7:00 pm, LL Room 8

All are welcome!

For more information, contact [Christopher Cock](#).





## ANNOUNCING JIM GILL'S SING-A-THON OF CELEBRATED SONGS

The CPC Concert Series Committee and CPC Kid's Academy will host this family event on Sunday September 24 at 3:00 pm. Anyone who has ever attended one of Jim Gill's concerts knows that rather than performing for the children, parents, and grandparents, he leads them to sing a play together. The program will be in Fellowship Hall; you are encouraged to bring a blanket, since you will be sitting on the floor when you are not up dancing. Admission is free; however, due to the expected popularity of this event you are encouraged to preregister at [chcpc.org/concert-series](http://chcpc.org/concert-series) to ensure that your family is included in our limit of 200 people.

## CPC SERVICE WITH A SMILE!

Friday, Sept. 22 & Saturday, Sept. 23  
9:00am-4:00pm

Jubilee Village, a residential community for single parent families, located at 395 Executive Dr. in Carol Stream is in need of some help! On Friday and Saturday, September 22-23, find your favorite brush and wear your painting overalls to welcome families home with freshly painted walls in an apartment or hallway. Everyone is invited to help with this special service project. Please sign up by contacting Pastor Susan or by signing up in the Narthex on Sundays! We will need to know if you plan on attending by September 15!



## NOMINATE DEACONS AND ELDERS



Are you or someone you know called to serve our church? The Nominating Committee is looking for 6 people to serve as elders (being leaders of the local church and beyond) and 6 deacons (serving those in need within the local church and beyond). The commitment is for 3 years.

Please help us by identifying someone we should consider, including yourself. If we contact you about serving, please consider the request prayerfully before giving us your answer. Contact anyone on the committee for more information or to suggest a name.

Pat Garner (chair, [pgarner923@hotmail.com](mailto:pgarner923@hotmail.com)), Amy Hall, Ann Jaltuch, Gloria Tatar, Fred Veenbaas, Barb Webster, Wendy Wilhelm, Rev. Beth Freese Dammers (staff)



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