Worship for the Lord’s Day
4th Sunday After Pentecost
June 25, 2023
9:30 am

Prelude
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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
arr. Phillip Keveren

Words of Welcome
Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

Lighting of the Christ Candle

*Opening Word* by M Jade Kaiser (enfleshed.com)


All: We believe you delight in us!

One: Make us people who recognize and proclaim your beauty and goodness in unexpected places.

All: Surprise us. Challenge us. Transform us.

One: We trust in you, Holy One, to reveal to us the sacredness of every life, of every way of being, of every physical manifestation of your Spirit.

All: May it be so!

*Hymn 301 v 1, 3-5* Let Us Build a House
Call to Confession

One: Confident that we are promised newness of life through repentance and forgiveness, let us turn to God and to one another, confessing our sin. Let us pray together, saying...

Prayer of Confession

All: Hear our cries to you, O Lord:
for our lack of compassion toward the poor, have mercy on us;
for our failure to end the destruction of air, water, soil, and creatures on Earth, have mercy on us;
for our turning aside to avoid relationship with children of God that we name “other”; have mercy on us
for failing to see the beauty in all peoples; have mercy on us;
for our complacency with broken systems of injustice, have mercy on us;
for all that we have done and have not done out of hardened hearts, have mercy on us. Forgive us and renew us.
Guide us into ways that do not deny you but lead to peaceful relationships. Amen.

Assurance of God’s Grace

One: We believe in the good news of the gospel:
that through the love and grace of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
All: We receive Christ’s forgiveness and live to be renewed through him. Hallelujah, Amen.

*Sung Response 582  Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

*Sung Response 300 v 1  We Are One in the Spirit

Time with Youngest Children

Prayer for Inspiration

Elizabeth

Scripture Reading  Acts 6:1-7

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon  Are We Paying Attention?

*Hymn 769  For Everyone Born
**Offering Our Gifts to God**

**Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory**

*Doxology* words 607, tune 606

*Prayer of Dedication*

**Caithness**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Announcements**

Susan

**Celebrating Members of 50+ years**

Beth & Susan

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**Joys & Concerns**

Beth

**God’s People Pray**

**Lord’s Prayer (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.

**Hymn 754**

*Help Us Accept Each Other*
Next Sunday in Worship, July 2
5th Sunday After Pentecost

9:30 am
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18
Matthew 10:40-42
Radical Hospitality

TODAY’S GUEST PREACHER
Rev. Larry J Morris III
Executive Director of Inclusive Collective
June 25

We are happy to welcome the Rev Larry Morris to the pulpit and worship leadership this morning. He will be sharing updates about the campus ministry with GLTBQ+ students at University of Illinois at Chicago. The Inclusive Collective is a campus ministry in the Chicagoland area which exists to fuel young adults through Jesus rooted soul work. We strive to be Jesus rooted, inclusive, communal, authentic, and active.

Larry is a self-described personality junkie, Apple loyalist, and plant parent. Larry is from Indianapolis, IN, but has spent the last ten years on the west coast in California and Nevada. He is the co-founder of Communion Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Henderson, NV, and owner of Larry J. Morris III, LLC which helps people and organizations “realize their extraordinary purpose ™.” Larry is a Ph.D. student in the African American Preaching and Sacred Rhetoric program at Christian Theological Seminary (Indianapolis, IN). Their research interests focus on the intersections of Blackness, queerness, and sacred rhetoric. Larry comes to the Inclusive Collective with a variety of unique experiences, including community organizing; diversity, equity, and inclusion consulting; and program development and management.
This week at CPC:

Sunday, June 25
Honoring 50+ Members
9:30 am — Worship
10:30 am — 50+ Friends Brunch; Fellowship Hall

Monday, June 26
7:00 pm — Communications; Zoom
7:00 pm — Deacons; Chapel / Hybrid

Tuesday, June 27
1:30 pm — Staff Meeting; Chapel / Hybrid
7:00 pm — A&P; Chapel / Hybrid

Wednesday, June 28
7:00 pm — Stewardship; Gathering Room

Thursday, June 29

Friday, June 30

Saturday, July 1

Sunday, July 2
9:30 am — Worship

NURSERY CARE
The Nursery will be staffed one Sunday each month (Next on July 9). 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.

SUMMER SUNDAYS
July 9
August 6
All kids 3 yrs - 5th grade are invited to participate in worship service during the summer. Sign up to be an Acolyte, Greeter, Usher or Liturgist by clicking HERE.

WORSHIP BAGS
Each Sunday, worship bags will be available for families to use so that children of all ages are able to participate in worship. A variety of activities related to each week’s service will be included along with books and fidget busters! Bags will be available for pick up in the Narthex.

SOME PIG. HUMBLE. RADIANT.
These are the words in Charlotte's Web, high up in Zuckerman's barn. Charlotte's spider web tells of her feelings for a little pig named Wilbur, who simply wants a friend. They also express the love of a girl named Fern, who saved Wilbur's life when he was born the runt of his litter. E. B. White's Newbery Honor Book is a tender novel of friendship, love, life, and death that has been enjoyed by generations.
Whether you are 3 or 93 this book is perfect summer reading...so join us and read Charlotte's Web and enjoy some fun activities along the way!
Books can be picked up starting July 30. They will be available each Sunday in the narthex or in the church office.
To cap off this fun summer reading adventure we will have a Charlotte's Web movie viewing party in September!

CPC YOUTH
The West Virginia Caravan returned yesterday afternoon following a week of service and building. Please share your words of encouragement with the youth and adults that will be attending the Camp Courageous Caravan August 6 - 12. Leave your prayers, notes, poems etc in the basket in the narthex. SAVE THE DATE of August 13 when the youth will lead worship and report on their summer Caravan Experiences.
MEAL A MONTH COLLECTION

Food Pantries are in desperate need. Fill a bag with grocery items to be donated to Hinsdale Community Services. The suggested menu is:

- Hot Cereal
- Campbell’s Chunky or Progresso Soups
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Canned Tuna or chicken
- Soaps: Bars, Body Wash, Dish and Laundry Soap

Any non-perishable items will be most welcome! Pick up a bag in the narthex or use your own and return to CPC. Thank you for your generous donations.

COMPASSION CAMP; VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Changing the World with Loving Kindness
August 14 - 18
9am - 11:30 ~ Snack Included
4yrs - 5th grade

Cost: $60 for the first child/ $30 for each additional child
*reach out to Kristin Duy if you would like scholarship information

Through Compassion Camp: What Every Living Thing Needs, children will explore what all living things need to live—shelter, food, water, air, and community—and how they can have compassion for the living earth. Through awareness, gratitude, wonderment, and kinship, kids will consider how to become participants in the work of God’s creation.

A typical morning will include: Gathering and Music, Bible Story, Crafts & Activities, Movement & Games & Compassion in Action.

Simply scan the QR code to register your child.

PLEASE SUPPORT PRESBYTERY OFFERING (aka per capita)
Give by July 16

As Presbyterians, we are part of a connectional church. We unite to support one another, share resources, and carry out God’s mission in our local communities, our nation and the world. The Chicago Presbytery leads this work. CPC makes an annual contribution to the Chicago Presbytery based on a per capita formula ($36.50 per member this year). This year, CPC’s contribution to our Presbytery will total $16,000 and we hope to raise the entire amount through this offering. The suggested gift to the fund is $150 per family. Please make your donation:

- By scanning the QR code
- Online at https://onrealm.org/cpc/give/PresbyOffering
- By check to the church office by July 16
Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Amos 5:24

The Summer Read is back!
Last summer, many of us read Heather McGhee’s The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together. We did this in partnership with several other churches and social justice groups in the area. Then in September, many of us met with other readers to discuss that book. This process will be happening again this year. The initiative is sponsored by CommUNITY Diversity in LaGrange and the Unitarian Church of Hinsdale.

The book for 2023 is **See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love**, by Valarie Kaur. Here is the book summary:

“Kaur provides us a book that is part memoir and part how-to manual on how to practice what she describes as “revolutionary love”. She defines revolutionary love as the active decisions humans make to wonder about others, our opponents, and ourselves. This act of wonder, she says, will help make the world a better place. Failing to wonder ultimately leads to violence against people who we consider the other.... Kaur describes in vivid detail how many men in her own Sikh community were killed after 9/11 because ignorant, racist people assumed they were Muslim terrorists....(and) the steps she and the families of hate crime victims took to wonder about their transgressors. Ultimately she finds that there are no monsters in this world – only wounded humans.”

I hope that many of you will join us in reading and discussing this book. Please let Gregg Morton know if you are joining us for this.

Please send your questions, ideas or comments to Gregg Morton.

SAVE THE DATE
Worship on the Lawn
Sunday August 27
9:30 am

The Worship & Music Committee is thrilled to offer Worship on the Lawn with a gospel theme this year! Special guest musician is Shantee Lewis who will lead and teach us gospel music including some of our favorites as well as new inspired music. Bring your lawn chair to sit in the shade under the tent on the south lawn. The music will be amazing, the worship inspired and the beverages iced!!

GUEST PREACHER
July 9
Joy of Christianity
Wayne Leopold

Church member Wayne Leopold is excited to share with you a sermon he has written on the Joy of Christianity. Using portions of Psalm 28 and 30 as well as John 2:1-16, Wayne will make the case for a life with Jesus that leads to joy. We will also celebrate Communion.
TODAY
HONORING 50+ YEAR MEMBERS
50+ FRIENDS BRUNCH
Sunday, June 25
10:30

All are invited to brunch today after worship to honor our members with 50 or more years of membership here at CPC! We are blessed with their wisdom, insight and commitment to Christ’s church.

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