Prelude

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee
arr. Cindy Berry
In the setting of J. S. Bach’s Joy of Man’s Desiring

Words of Welcome

Rev. Susan Tindall

Lighting the Christ Candle

*Opening Words

One: We call to you, our refuge,
All: provide your safe space.
One: We call to you, our fortress,
All: provide your strength.
One: We call to you, our trust,
All: provide your vision.
One: We call to you, our cover,
All: provide your gentleness.
One: We call to you, our faithful,
All: provide your presence. Amen.

*Hymn 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reign Above
MIT FREUDEN ZART
Call to Confession
One:  Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sins, that grace might bridge, and we might cross, the great chasm between us and God.

Prayer of Confession
All:  God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don’t know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment of faith. We care for ourselves, but not for others. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us, help us to repent, and make us whole. Amen.

Assurance of God’s Grace
One:  Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and thus freed to love and serve. Alleluia! Amen.

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

*Sharing the Peace of Christ
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  O How I Love Jesus

A Time with Youngest Children  Rev. Susan Tindall
Following our time together, all kids are encouraged to go with our Sunday School volunteers to Rm LL6 on the lower level for faith formation. Please pick-up your child there immediately after worship.

Prayer for Inspiration  Gregg

Scripture Reading 1 Timothy 6:11-15
One:  Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! This is the Word of the Lord.
All:  Thanks be to God!
Scripture Reading
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
Rev. Susan Tindall
One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word! This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

*Hymn 629 Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Offering Our Gifts to God
Invitation
Offertory

*Hymn 629 Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Church Tidings
Minute for DYFM Search Committee
Susan
Kathy Adelmann

Joys and Concerns

God's People Pray

*Hymn 275 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude O God, Our Help in Ages Past

* Please rise in spirit or body
All speak emboldened type

USHERS: Lynn Mehrhoff, Ann Lorenz
LITURGIST: Gregg Morton
ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Courteney Templeton

Next Sunday in Worship
October 2
World Communion
17th Sunday after Pentecost
Restoration and Destruction
Lamentations 1:1-6
Psalm 37:1-9
Brunch Party!

Celebrate Pastor Beth!
On her return from the Pilgrimage

October 2, 10:30 am
Fellowship Hall

Join us for Brunch and be ready to have a little fun!!
This week at CPC:

Sunday, September 25
8:45 am — Chancel Choir warmup
9:30 am — Worship
9:45 am — Sunday School; LL6
10:45 am — Adult Education; Chapel / Zoom
5:00 pm — High School Cubes

Monday, September 26
7:00 pm — Deacons
7:00 pm — Communications; Zoom

Tuesday, September 27
9:15 am — PW Circle 1; Gathering Room
1:00 pm — PW Circle 2; Gathering Room
1:30 pm — Staff meeting; Zoom
7:00 pm — PW Circle 3; Gathering Room

Wednesday, September 28
7:00 pm — Chancel Choir rehearsal; Sanctuary
7:00 pm — A&P; Zoom

Thursday, September 29
Clarion Bells are taking a break until Oct. 13

Friday, September 30

Saturday, October 1

Sunday, October 2
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
8:45 am — Chancel Choir warmup
9:30 am — Worship
9:45 am — Sunday School; LL6
10:30 am — Middle School Bagel Bunch
10:30 am — Pastor Beth’s Welcome Back Celebration
5:00 pm — High School Cubes

Nursery
Care is provided the first Sunday of each month from 9:15 - 10:30 for children ages 6 wks - 2 yrs in our Nursery, rm 105. Pagers are given out or parents are welcome to stay in the room. The remaining Sundays of each month our Nursery will be open and families with young children are welcome to use the room as needed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
*kids 3 yrs - 5th grade
As well as our weekly lectionary-based lesson, each child will receive their own bulletin and a coloring page to extend their learning at home. This week’s focus is on Psalm 91:1-6. Following “A time for children” all kids will be invited to go with our volunteers to rm 6 in the lower level for faith formation. Please pick up your child there immediately following worship service.

CPC Youth on Sunday Nights!
Sunday, September 18, 5-7pm
Students in grades 9th-12th are invited for conversation, games and dinner as we begin our program year together. Cubes will be getting to know one another and starting to think about how they want their time to look for the rest of the year. Even if you cannot make it every Sunday, come when you can and get to know this amazing group of students and adult leaders! We have a place for you! Contact Pastor Susan with any questions!

Middle School Bagel Brunch!
Begins today
Students in grades 6-8th are invited to join adult leaders for breakfast today! Following the sermon, students will meet in the narthex and join adult leaders for some food and fun. Details are in the weekly youth emails. Parents can meet up with students following worship. We have some amazing plans for the year ahead and we cannot wait to share them with you today!
ADULT EDUCATION
10:45-11:45 am
Hybrid: on-site: Chapel; online: Zoom

Rabbi Steven Bob, rabbi emeritus at Congregation Etz Chaim, will be joining us again for a series of six classes on the books of Ezra and Nehemiah beginning this Sunday at 10:45 in the Chapel (also on Zoom). Rabbi Bob, currently teaching at Wheaton College and Elmhurst University, led a fascinating course on Jonah last year and we are sure to get another stellar performance, enlightening us on how Jews interpret the Bible. The Books of Ezra and Nehemiah describe a dynamic period in the formation of the Bible. During the first decades following the return from Babylonian exile new rituals and new texts emerged. We will look closely at key verses from Ezra and Nehemiah which provide the foundation for Judaism and Christianity. We can count on Rabbi Bob to present this material in his enthusiastic and engaging manner. Click here to join on Zoom

Thursday Morning Devotions
October 6, 9:00 am

Thursday Morning Devotions will soon be meeting again to discuss the first book of the season. The first meeting will be on October 6th at 9:00am. The decision to meet in person or on Zoom has not yet been made so watch for announcements in the Thursday Blast, the Sunday Bulletin and email.

The first book we will be reading and discussing is *In Search of Belief* by Joan Chittister. The subject of the book is a line by line look at the Apostles Creed and how it may or may not mesh with your beliefs. All are welcome to join this time of fellowship and study.

News of THE AMOS GROUP

*Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.* Amos 5:24

You can Help Willowbrook Corner Coalition, supported by the Hinsdale Community House, offers services at the Anne M. Jeans Elementary School in Willowbrook. 87% of their students are part of minority groups, and the majority of their students test lower than state proficiency standards in English and math. They seek volunteers for after-school care between the hours of 3 and 6pm to help students with homework. This program is separate from their tutoring program, which CPC has helped with in the past. Volunteers do NOT need to be experts on any particular subject and do NOT need to commit for the full three hours. For more information, or to volunteer, click on this link.

Last reminder for Summer Read Discussion Groups

Groups to discuss Heather McGhee’s *The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together* are scheduled for 9/25, 9/27, and 9/28. Each of them is a one-session meeting. For more specifics, please contact Gregg Morton for the schedule. A couple of books are still available in the church office. And if you would like to reimburse us for the book, the cost is $14.

Note: The discussions will also be open to people who have not been able to read the book. Here is a link to a one-hour interview with the author that will give you a good understanding of the book.

Please send your ideas and your comments to Gregg Morton.
MEAL A MONTH COLLECTION FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER
Food Pantries are in desperate need! Fill a bag with grocery items to be donated to Hinsdale Community Services. The suggested menu for September AND October is:

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

Announcing the 2022-2023 Concert Series!

**Sunday, November 6**, featuring the Wayne Messmer Quartet with special guest artist, Angel Spiccia.
Wayne Messmer is the voice most often associated with the National Anthem, having performed for all of Chicago’s professional and college teams.

**Sunday, January 29**, CHAI Collaborative Ensemble
CHAI Collaborative Ensemble is a Chicago-based collective dedicated to honoring history, advocating for new works, and engaging with communities through performances of mixed vocal and instrumental chamber music.

**Sunday, March 5**, The Wind Ensemble, Quarantet
The wind ensemble, Quarantet, features flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and French horn musicians affiliated locally with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the Lyric Opera Orchestra, the Grant Park Orchestra and more.

To become a sponsor or more details on the concert series, visit chcpc.org/concert-series

You can download the flyer [HERE](#).

October 4 Presbyterian Women Program

**Join us in fellowship hall at 12:30 on Tuesday, October 4** to hear the soothing music of Robinlee Garber and the magical percussion rhythms of M. Taylor. Robinlee’s voice is described as “folk with a dash of torch.” In addition to her singer-songwriter career, she is an art therapist and a licensed counselor. Robinlee will be accompanied by M. Taylor, who teaches as well as performs with various percussion instruments. Enjoy fellowship along with scrumptious desserts and beverages. Bring a guest!

Please help support Boy Scout Troop 51 serving Clarendon Hills, Downers Grove, and Hinsdale in their annual fundraiser to raise money to encourage young boys to engage in community service, develop leadership skills, enjoy outdoor adventures, and focus on practical skills. The Troop will be taking orders for Christmas Wreaths on Sunday, September 25th and October 16. Cash and checks accepted. The Boy Scouts will deliver all wreaths on November 19th to your homes. Thank you for your support!
Calling all Singers and Bell Enthusiasts!
CPC Choirs are resuming for the season!

Chancel Choir:
Rehearsals resume on Wednesday 9/7, 7:00-8:30 pm in the Chancel.

Clarion Bells:
Rehearsals resume on Thursdays 9/8, 7:00-8:00 pm in Rooms LL6-LL8.

New participants are always welcome to both groups.
Contact pat.garner@chcpc.org for more information.