



Worship for the Lord's Day

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

9:30 am

Prelude

The King of Love

arr. Roger C. Wilson

Lighting the Christ Candle

Ty Skupien

Words of Welcome

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

***Opening Words:**

One: Frayed and frazzled, too many days are filled with tension and anxiety,

All: we gather to find that place of peace which God offers to us.

One: Awash in worries and doubts, drowning in a sea of fears,

All: we gather beside the still waters where Jesus offers us a cup of grace.

One: Weakened by the burdens of life, wandering as if lost in a wilderness,

All: we gather so the Spirit can restore our souls and show us the path to the kingdom.

***Hymn 386**

Come, Worship God

O QUANTA QUALIA

Call to Prayer

Warren Ali

Prayer of the Day (unison)

Holy God, whenever we find ourselves waist deep in stress, you float us on your living waters until we are at peace. As we try to race down every road and alley of endless meetings, you put up a detour sign directing us to your joy.

When we find ourselves empty from chasing down the shadows of sin and death, you are setting out a picnic in grace's garden of delights, handing us a slice of bread spread with hope's sweetness.

Though we try to flee from the very life we are longing to discover, you slow us down until mercy and goodness can catch up with us so, hand in hand, we can dash to your house where we are welcomed in all the moments to come.

Be our Shepherd in this life, Holy One, in whose name we pray, amen.

*Sung Response 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

*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 587

Alleluia!

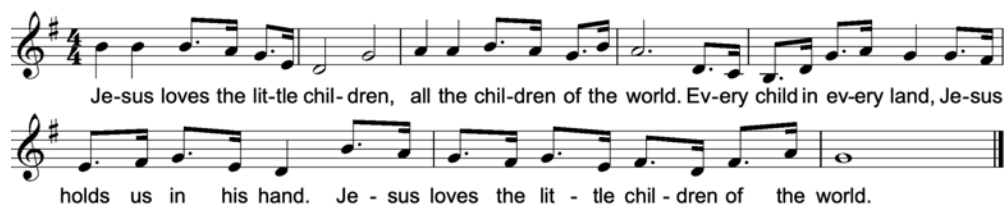
CELTIC ALLELUIA

Growing with God

Kristin Duy

Following our time together, all children are invited to remain in Grace Space or return to their parents.

Sung Response remain seated



Prayer for Inspiration

Warren

Scripture Reading (unison)

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd;

I shall not want.

He makes me to lie down in green pastures;

he leads me beside the still waters.

He restores my soul;

he leads me in the paths of righteousness

for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow
of death, I fear no evil;
For you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies
you anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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

Scripture Reading

John 10:22-30

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

Sermon

Following His Lead

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

***Affirmation of Faith**

Brief Statement of Faith: Jesus

In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil
delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***Hymn 801**

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

CRIMOND

Offering Our Gifts to God



Invitation to Offering

Warren

Offertory

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Gilbert Martin

Chancel Choir

QRCode for Giving

***Doxology** words 607, tune 606 *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Prayer of Dedication**

Church Tidings



Beth

use this QRCode to sign into the friendship pad

Joys & Concerns

One: We lift our prayers to God.

All: Lord, hear our prayers.

God's People Pray / The 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 182**

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

KINGSFOLD

***Charge and Blessing**

***Postlude**

Crown Him Lord of All ("Diadem")

Ellor, arr. Mary McDonald

** Please rise in spirit or body*

All speak emboldened type

LITURGIST: Warren Ali

ACOLYTE: Ty Skupien

USHERS: Julie Trowbridge, Megan Trowbridge

ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Stephane Rens-Domiano

AV: Sam Dammers, Erich Kretchmer

LARGE PRINT hymnals are available from the ushers.

Next Sunday in Worship, May 18

Confirmation

High School Senior Recognition

Retirement Celebration

Psalm 148; John 13:31-35

Love One Another



VISITING CPC? WELCOME!

We believe feeling welcome is foundational for members and visitors to be open to the journey of lifelong faith formation and growth. If you've felt a sense of welcome at CPC and are curious to learn more about us, reach out to Erin James, Community Connector, to chat by email erinjames1@comcast.net or by phone at (630) 649-0151.



JOIN THE STAFF AT CPC!

Community Presbyterian Church is looking for a person to fill a part-time position for 6-7 hours per week responsible for the administration, coordination and management of the CPC Website, social media and other digital communication platforms. The job posting which lists the job responsibilities is hanging on the bulletin board in the CPC office and available electronically using the following url: <https://gochcpc.org/10d>. If you have questions about this position or are interested in applying, please send inquiries or a letter of interest and a resume to l.steeves@comcast.net.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday May 11

10:30; Sanctuary

The Session has called a Special Congregational Meeting for the sole purpose of dissolving the terms of call with Rev. Beth Freese Dammers effective May 31, 2025. It is the congregation that voted to call Beth as pastor and it is now proper and fitting that the congregation votes to dissolve the call; thus marking the end

of the pastoral relationship. This is part of the usual process when an installed pastor completes their service (whether they are moving onto another church or retiring). The vote honors the covenantal relationship into which the congregation and Beth entered. This official vote then, also honors and marks the conclusion and completion of the called relationship.

NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN



NOMINATIONS NEEDED

Recommend someone or yourself!

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.

Ingrid Ellithorpe (Chair, ingridellithorpe@sbcglobal.net), Tracy Sims, Wendy Wilhelm, Jessica Skupien, Ann Hamman, Todd Petersen, Kris Veenbaas, Steve Bouchard, Pastor Beth Freese Dammers (staff).

This week at CPC:

Sunday, May 11

9:30 am — Worship

10:30 am — Congregational Meeting; Sanctuary

Monday, May 12

6:45 pm — Confirmands meet Berrie in Gathering Room

7:00 pm — Session; Chapel & Zoom

Tuesday, May 13

1:30 am — Staff Meeting; chapel/zoom

Wednesday, May 14

7:00 pm — Chancel Choir; Sanctuary

7:00 pm — Manse Task Force; Chapel

Thursday, May 15

7:00 pm — M, E & O; Chapel/Zoom

Friday, May 16

Saturday, May 17

Sunday, May 18

Confirmation

Senior Recognition

Retirement Celebration

9:30 am — Worship

10:30 am — Beth's Retirement Celebration Brunch;
Fellowship Hall

NURSERY CARE



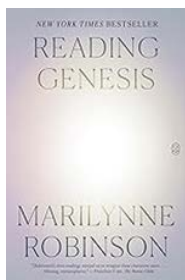
The Nursery will be staffed by our volunteers **June 8**. The Nursery is located across from the church office on the main floor and is always open for use, even when not staffed by our volunteers.



LENDING LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT

Psalms of Wonder

For readers of all ages, these inviting poems and gorgeous illustrations are inspired by the book of Psalms, echoing all its wonder and courage, comfort and joy, protection and love. For children, *Psalms of Wonder* offers an introduction, bridging to the beloved phrases and images of Scripture. For readers who already know and love the Psalms, the poems reveal a refreshing new perspective while holding true to respected biblical translations. Perfect for savoring and sharing, this luminous collection will resonate deep in the hearts of God's children. **Check it out today!**



CIRCLE OF VOICES

Wednesday, May 21

9:30 am

Gathering Room

Circle of Voices will meet on Wednesday, May 21st at 9:30am in the Gathering Room at CPC. We will be discussing *Reading Genesis* by Marilynne Robinson. The book is available at the Clarendon Hills Library. All are welcome to join the discussion, even if you have not finished or read the book. Traditionally we enjoy lunch together at a local restaurant. For more information, contact Barb Coop.

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:

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| • Cereal & Pancake Mix | Mac & Cheese |
| • Peanut Butter & Jelly | Shampoo & Conditioner |
| • Rice, Beans | Laundry Soap, Dish Soap |
| • Canned Soup | Paper Products |
| • Canned Tuna or Chicken | |



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.

CONFIRMATION

Sunday, May 18th

Welcoming Disciples into Membership

Share in the joy of welcoming young adults into membership of CPC! They have dedicated a year of Sunday Night meals with Berrie Salbego and Cici Stanek as their Disciple / Confirmation Cube has studied questions of faith and had meaningful conversations. Each has completed their Confirmation Faith project. They will meet with Session on Monday, May 12 to be received into membership.

Come share in the laying on of hands as we pray for each of them on Sunday May 18 when they make their public profession of faith.

We welcome: Fox Ali, Olivia Hillyer and Zoe Manning



HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION

Sunday, May 18th

Join us in celebrating and praying for our awesome Cube Seniors: Jossi Bonebrake, Teagan Manning, Haven Marginean, Andrew Petersen, Isaac Schloegel, Briggs Templeton and Megan Trowbridge!

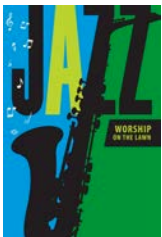
YOUTH CAR WASH

Sunday June 1

Following Worship

Plan ahead to have all your vehicles washed by the youth of the church on Sunday, June 1.

Proceeds from the Car Wash will support all youth attending this year's Mission Caravan at Camp Courageous.



SAVE THE DATE

Worship on the Lawn: JAZZ

Sunday Aug 17

Bring your own chair, a sun hat and tapping feet for it will be an incredible morning of JAZZ MUSIC and WORSHIP. See you on the South Lawn under the big white tent!



RETIREMENT CELEBRATION HONORING BETH FREESE DAMMERS

Sunday, May 18th

Fellowship Hall

Join us for a light lunch and reception immediately following the service, Sunday May 18th in Fellowship Hall. We want to express our thanks for Pastor Beth's faithful service to our congregation and wish her well on her next life chapter. No reservations necessary, just come and celebrate with Pastor Beth.

Please sign a memory card which will be compiled into a scrapbook for Beth. A simple note of thanks or a funny story or a special remembrance would be most appreciated. Cards are available in the narthex and office.



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