



Worship for the Lord's Day 8th Sunday After Pentecost

July 23, 2023
9:30 am

Prelude

Surely the Presence

Lanny Wolfe

Words of Welcome

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

Lighting of the Christ Candle

***Opening Word**

Amy Hall

One: We come. We wait.

All: We long. We hope.

One: We suffer. We pray.

All: We rejoice. We sing.

One: We know we are children of God.

All: We wait for Christ to set all things right.

***Hymn 401**

Here in This Place

GATHER US IN

Call to Confession

Amy

One: There is goodness within us that grows like fresh wheat. There is also sin within us that chokes that wheat like weeds. Let us bring all of who we are to God, who can separate out what is good, so that we are not overcome with evil.

Prayer of Confession

All: Ever-present God, there is no place where you are not with us. You see us at our worst and at our best. There is much we would hide from you —
the ways we harm your creation,
the ways we mistreat others,
the ways we turn away when we should turn toward you.
Even as you know us, forgive us. Guide our thoughts, our words, our actions, that you may delight in us as we delight in you.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: Siblings in Christ, hear the good news:
God knows us and forgives us and leads us in the way of everlasting life.
All: Through Christ Jesus we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! 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 175 v 1

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

Time with Youngest Children

Kristin Duy

Prayer for Inspiration

Amy

Scripture Reading

Genesis 28:10-19a

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

Scripture Reading

Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24

Beth

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

Sermon

Search Me, Know Me

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

*Hymn 28

You Are Before Me, Lord

SURSUM CORDA (Smith)

Offering Our Gifts to God



Invitation to Offering

Amy

Offertory

For the Beauty of the Earth

arr. Ron Mallory

Liz Monson, Handbell soloist

***Doxology** words 607, tune 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Prayer of Dedication**

Amy

Church Tidings

Susan

Joys & Concerns

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 Insert v 1, 4-6**

Glory, Glory Hallelujah

GLORY, GLORY

***Charge and Blessing**

***Postlude**

Come, Thou Almighty King

arr. Cindy Berry

** Please rise in spirit or body*

All speak emboldened type

USHERS: Jancie Bouchard, Steve Bouchard

ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Kathy Florence

LITURGIST: Amy Hall

AV: Pat Garner, Sam Dammers

Glory, Glory Hallelujah

Exod. 15:20; Gen. 28:12; Ps. 81:6

African-American spiritual

1 Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah, since I
 2 I feel bet - ter, so much bet - ter, since I
 3 Feel like shout - ing "Hal - le - lu - jah!" since I
 4 I am danc - ing Mir - iam's dance now, since I
 5 I am climb - ing Ja - cob's lad - der, since I
 6 Ev - ery round goes higher and high - er, since I

laid my bur - dens down. Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le -
 laid my bur - dens down. I feel bet - ter, so much
 laid my bur - dens down. Feel like shout - ing "Hal - le -
 laid my bur - dens down. I am danc - ing Mir - iam's
 laid my bur - dens down. I am climb - ing Ja - cob's
 laid my bur - dens down. Ev - ery round goes higher and

lu - jah, since I laid my bur - dens down.
 bet - ter, since I laid my bur - dens down.
 lu - jah!" since I laid my bur - dens down.
 dance now, since I laid my bur - dens down.
 lad - der, since I laid my bur - dens down.
 high - er, since I laid my bur - dens down.

Despite their physical captivity, the enslaved of antebellum America often found an inward freedom through their faith in Jesus the liberator. This liberation, which permitted them to sing rejoicingly, anticipated their eventual physical emancipation.

Tune: GLORY, GLORY 8.7.8.7.
 African-American spiritual
 Arr. Joyce Finch Johnson, 1992

Next Sunday in Worship, July 30
9th Sunday After Pentecost
9:30 am

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
1 Kings 3:5-12

Discerning Taste



Household Prayer: Morning

In whatever shelter I wake this morning
I know this place is holy because you meet me here.
As I wash my body and prepare for the day,
I remember baptismal waters and the claim upon my life.
Wherever darkness looms, Sovereign God,
traffic in mercy this day.
Traffic in mercy this day. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

As darkness spreads over the land,
I trust that you move in it.
As I yield the night to sleep and dreams,
I pray you would remake me
into a servant bold,
for the sake of Jesus. Amen.



Seeking Deacons & 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), Amy Hall, Ann Jaltuch, Gloria Tatar, Fred Veenbaas, Barb Webster, Wendy Wilhelm, Rev. Beth Freese Dammers (staff)

This week at CPC:

Sunday, July 23
9:30 am — Worship

Monday, July 24
7:00 pm — Worship & Music; Chapel / Hybrid

Tuesday, July 25
1:30 pm — Staff Meeting; Chapel/ Hybrid
7:00 pm — A & P; Chapel / Hybrid

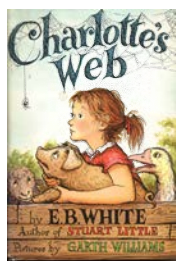
Wednesday, July 26
7:00 pm — VBS Training

Thursday, July 27

Friday, July 28

Saturday, July 29

Sunday, July 30
9:30 am — Worship



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 available each Sunday in the narthex and in the church office. To cap off this fun summer reading adventure we will have a Charlotte's Web movie viewing party in September!

CARAVAN ENCOURAGEMENT CREW

Our Camp Courageous team needs your encouragement!! Bring a letter, a prayer, a poem, a picture, song lyrics, any piece of inspiration for our teams and we will share them during circle time each evening. You are invited to bring your inspiration piece to a basket in the narthex or email to susan.tindall@chcpc.org! Please send by August 3rd!

NURSERY CARE

The Nursery will be staffed one Sunday each month (**Next on August 6**). 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.

COMING SOON; live stream of the worship service in the Nursery!

SUMMER SUNDAYS

August 6

All kids 3 yrs - 5th grade are invited to participate in worship service during the summer. Click [HERE](#) to email Kristin if your child would like to participate!



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.



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:

- Cereal
- Mac & Cheese
- Rice or Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Canned Tuna or chicken
- Paper Products: Sandwich Bags, Plastic Wrap, Foil



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.



NEWS OF THE AMOS GROUP

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

The Social Justice Summer Read is back!

The book for 2023 is *See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love*, by Valarie Kaur. You can see more about the book on this [flyer](#).

I (Gregg) am finding this book stimulating. Kaur’s writing is very personal and easily grasped. Here is a nugget from today’s reading: “When we cannot see that evil is driven by a person’s wounds, not their innate nature, we become terrified of each other. But the moment we see their wounds, they no longer have absolute power over us. I could not see the wound in them until I tended to the wound inside me.”

I hope that many of you will join us in reading and discussing this book. Please let [Gregg Morton](#) know if you are reading with us, so he can coordinate the discussion schedule.

We all read on our own and then have a discussion in September, probably with folks from other groups who are also reading it. There will be multiple date and time options for the discussion.

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, Shantée Lewis, 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!!

Please note worship will **not** be livestreamed on this Sunday. Please let us know if you'd like a ride to church!



Community Presbyterian Church
39 North Prospect
Clarendon Hills, IL 60514
630-323-6522
www.chcpc.org [Follow us on Facebook](#)

The Ministers: All the Members

Beth Freese Dammers	Pastor / Head of Staff	beth.fd@chcpc.org
Susan Tindall	Transitional Associate Pastor	susan.tindall@chcpc.org
Kristin Duy	Director of Children & Family Ministries	kduy@chcpc.org
Jane Hudgins	Director of CPC Kids' Academy	jane.hudgins@chcpc.org
Sintia Arambula	Assistant Director of Kids' Academy	kidsacademy@chcpc.org
Christopher Cock	Director of Music Ministries	christopher.cock@chcpc.org
Jason Hill	Church Musician	jason.hill@chcpc.org
Stephanie Rens-Domiano	Director of Digital Platform	stephanie.rensdomiano@chcpc.org
Paula Cyphers	Co-Director of Older Adult Ministries	paulacyphers@aol.com
Kris Veenbaas	Co-Director of Older Adult Ministries	kveenbaas101@gmail.com
Laurie Scola	Financial Administrator	accounting@chcpc.org
Shannon Nyhart	Church Administrator	shannon.nyhart@chcpc.org
Stephen Ministers	Confidential caregivers	stephen.ministries@chcpc.org

