



Worship for the Lord's Day
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost
August 20, 2023
9:30 am

Prelude

All Are Welcome

arr. Mark Hayes

Words of Welcome

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

Lighting of the Christ Candle

***Opening Word**

Michele Vickery

One: The Lord says: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come.

All: **God will bring us to the holy mountain, a house of prayer for all people.
God gathers all the outcasts together, and makes us joyful! Let us worship God.**

***Hymn 372**

O for a World

AZMON

Call to Confession

Michele

One: We call to God, saying "have mercy on us!" We call to God saying, "Lord, help us!"
We call to God even in the midst of our sin, knowing that God is gracious and just.

Prayer of Confession

All: Holy God, we confess we have not been obedient to your will for us. We have sought justice for ourselves but neglected justice for others. We have insisted on our rights but have not lived rightly in our relationships. We have desired mercy for our sins, but have not offered mercy to those who have sinned against us. By the power of your Holy Spirit free us from the prison of our disobedience. Help us to love as you have loved us that our lives may testify to your abounding grace through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: Friends, the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

All: We receive the gift of forgiveness and will share the gift of God's grace with others in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Sung Response 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Rev. Susan Tindall

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

Michele

Scripture Litany

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

One: The LORD says:

Act justly and do what is righteous,

All: because my salvation is coming soon,
and my righteousness will be revealed.

One: The immigrants who have joined me,
serving me and loving my name becoming my servants,

All: everyone who keeps the Sabbath without making it impure,
and those who hold fast to my covenant:
I will bring them to my holy mountain,

One: and bring them joy in my house of prayer.

I will accept their entirely burned offerings and sacrifices on my altar.

All: My house will be known as a house of prayer for all peoples,
says the LORD God, who gathers Israel's outcasts.

I will gather still others to those I have already gathered.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Scripture Reading

Matthew 15:21-28

Beth

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Inclusive Table

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

***Hymn 754**

Help Us Accept Each Other

BARONITA

Offering Our Gifts to God



Invitation to Offering

Michele

Offertory

African Alleluia

Jay Althouse

Summer Choir

QR Code for Giving

***Doxology** words 607, tune 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Prayer of Dedication**

Michele

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 318**

In Christ There Is No East or West

ST. PETER

***Charge and Blessing**

***Postlude**

Christians, We Have Met to Worship

arr. Mark Hayes

* Please rise in spirit or body

All speak emboldened type

USHERS: Ann Jultuch, Joanne King

ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Amy Hall

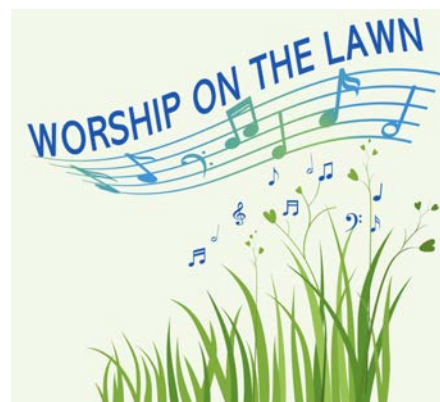
LITURGIST: Michele Vickery

AV: Teagan Manning, Andrew Petersen

Next Sunday in Worship, August 27
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Worship on the Lawn: GOSPEL
9:30 am

Matthew 16:13 - 20

Who is Jesus to You?



Prayer of the Day:

Almighty God,
whose compassion embraces everyone,
gather the outcast and the lost,
heal the wounds of fear and distrust,
and make us a community of reconciliation
that we may embody your merciful love
and rejoice in your astounding grace
in Jesus Christ. 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, August 20

Summer Choir

9:30 am — Worship

Monday, August 21

6:30 pm — Finance Committee; Zoom

7:00 pm — Concert Series Committee; Zoom

Tuesday, August 22

1:30 pm — Staff Meeting; Chapel/ Hybrid

Wednesday, August 23

7:00 pm — Faith Formation Teacher Training; Chapel

Thursday, August 24

7:00 pm — Endowment; Zoom

Friday, August 25

9:00 am — Moms Demand Action; Chapel

6:30 pm — High School Leaders Retreat departs

Saturday, August 26

6:30 pm — High School Leaders Retreat returns

Sunday, August 27

No Livestream

9:30 am — Worship on the Lawn

4:00 pm — Pet Blessing; South Lawn

6:30 pm — CPC Youth Kickoff; Wickedball, Lombard

NURSERY CARE

The Nursery will be staffed on **September 10.**

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!



FAITH FORMATION

Starts September. 10

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

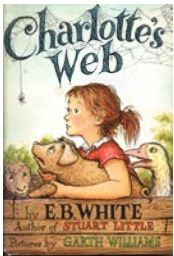
Please click on the QR code to register your child. Plan on a wonderful year filled with faith, fun and fellowship!



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!



MOVIE UNDER THE STARS

Friday, September 15

7:00pm (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 Kickoff!
Sunday August 27
4:45-7:00 pm

Get ready for an evening of bubble soccer, nerf guns and more on Sunday, August 27 at the WickedBall location in Yorktown Mall! Students in 6-12th grade are invited to join us at 332 Yorktown Shopping center, Lombard, IL beginning at 4:45pm. Bring a friend or two with you! All participants must fill out a waiver prior to attending which you can do by [clicking here!](#)



Presbyterian Women September Program
SEPTEMBER 5
Fellowship Hall 12:30

Who was Mary Magdalene? Prophet?
Prostitute? Crazy? Foundational?

Join Presbyterian Women as Rev. Marylen Marty-Gentile presents a new look at this mysterious and misunderstood biblical woman. We will look at some images of her through history, explore what scripture actually says, and look at recent scholarship that could SHAKE UP THE CHURCH! All invited to this first program of the year.

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.



NEWS OF THE AMOS GROUP

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

Insights from the Social Justice Summer Read

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

Here's something that spoke to me recently: "We are all broken by something. We have all hurt someone and have been hurt. We all share the condition of brokenness even if our brokenness is not equivalent."

I hope that many others of you will join us in reading and discussing this book. **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. If we have enough readers from CPC, we can host our own discussion, perhaps including Zoom access.

Please let me know if you are reading with us, so I can coordinate the discussion schedule. Please send your questions, ideas or comments to [Gregg Morton](#)



Let's Get Connected!

Did you know that your contact information in the CPC online directory is not viewable by others at CPC unless you allow it? Many have not changed their account privacy settings in Realm to "Anyone in the Church" so their contact information is not available to other CPC members.

So we are launching a "Let's Get Connected" initiative to make it easier to find one another in our church online directory!

If you are among those whose contact information is not viewable by others in the church, you will receive a direct email in the next few days to offer help if you would like to make this change to your privacy settings.

In the coming weeks look for more ways to improve using the Realm online directory and your Realm account! We are also readily available to help you with the online directory. Feel free to reach out to us anytime with questions about the CPC Realm online directory or your Realm account.

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

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CPC Pet Blessing Sunday August 27 4:00 pm

God loves creatures great and small and so does CPC! On August 27, you are invited to bring your animals to be celebrated and blessed at 4:00pm underneath the big tent on the south lawn. For every pet's and human's safety, we ask that animals be leashed or caged during our celebration. A free will offering will be taken for Hinsdale Humane Society or you can bring one of their wish list items found by [clicking here](#)



CPC CONCERT SERIES 2023-2024 SEASON
Featuring

 JIM GILL MUSIC PLAY FOR FAMILIES September 24, 3:00 p.m.	 CHICAGO BRASS QUINTET WITH ORGANIST DAVID JONIES October 29, 3:30 p.m.
 JEREMY KAHN JAZZ QUINTET January 21, 3:00 p.m.	 AVALON STRING QUARTET April 28, 3:00 p.m.

Enriching our Community Through Music
Admission is Free ♦ Donations Accepted

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Announcing the 2023-2024 Concert Series: Save the Dates

The season opens on September 24 with something new for us: an afternoon of family singing and playing led by **Jim Gill**, presented in partnership with CPC Kids' Academy. The other concerts feature brass and organ, jazz, and strings, as noted in the graphic. All concerts are free, although donations are appreciated. Additional information is posted at chcpc.org/concert-series.



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