



WORSHIP

Sanctuary

February 11, 2024 - Transfiguration Sunday

I believe in Christianity as I believe that the sun has risen: not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else. ~ C.S. Lewis

THE GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

Arise, Shine (Isaiah 60:1)
Chapel Music Team - Charles Murphy, director

Ruth Cunningham

*Arise, Shine for your light has come
And the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.*

SONG OF WELCOME

Jesus Loves Me
Joyful Noise Choir - Isabelle Esquivel, director

Anna Warner

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP - 1 John 3:2

Hannah, Drew & Sarah Miller

Leader: Beloved, we are God's children now;

People: **what we will be has not yet been revealed.**

Leader: What we do know is this: when God is revealed,

People: **we will be as Christ is - beloved - for we will be with God, face to face.**

INTROIT

Samuel Was a Friend of God A. J. Butler
Faith Choir - Gloria Song, director; Kitty Snyder, piano

WELCOME

Rev. Amy Heinrich

❖ HYMN

Let Your Little Light Shine

Georgia Sea Island Spiritual

*Let your little light shine shine shine
Let your little light shine oh my Lord
There might be somebody down in the valley
Trying to get home*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

(Silence for personal confession.)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

❖ GLORIA PATRI (*Glory to God*) Hymnal #581

❖ PASSING THE PEACE

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Gary Holland

FIRST READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE

Psalm 50:1-6

ANTHEM

I Am the Light of the World
Chancel Choir - David H. Edelfelt, director

Dale Grotenhuis

SECOND READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

BLESSING THE CHILDREN

(As the congregation stands to sing, children are greeted and depart for Sunday school.)

- ❖ **SONG OF BLESSING - HYMN #363** *Rejoice, the Lord Is King! - (v. 4)* DARWALL'S 148TH

*Rejoice in glorious hope!
For Christ, the Judge, shall come
and gather all the saints to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart; lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

SERMON

Rise and Shine

Dr. Paulson

THE RESPONSE

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

- ❖ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** - *From the Brief Statement of Faith, Presbyterian Church, (USA)*

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.

TABLE TALK

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY

Liturgical Arts

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: We give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

OFFERING

Will You Hold Me in the Light Sally Ann Morris
Chapel Music Team

- ❖ **PRAISE GOD - HYMN #608** *(The Doxology)* PRAISE GOD

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, DEDICATION, AND LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE SENDING

- ❖ **HYMN #321** *The Church's One Foundation* AURELIA

- ❖ **CHARGE**

THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

- ❖ **THE BLESSING**

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- ❖ *Please stand in body or in spirit.*

Community Notes

Learn more in our online *Parish Life* newsletter at www.firstpreslibertyville.org

The flowers today are placed to the glory of God by Donovan and Jan Ellen Shawgo in celebration of their 50th anniversary. They were married in the Chapel on February 8, 1974.

Sunday, February 11

- 10:00 AM Combined Worship in Sanctuary
- 10:20 AM Sunday School Pre-K - 7th grade
- 11:00 AM Annual Congregational Meeting
- 11:00 AM Jr/Sr High Choir (Choir Room)
- 11:15 AM Alpha/Omega Chimers (Classroom 04)
- 5:30 PM JHF & SHF Super Bowl Party (offsite)

Monday, February 12

- 6:30 PM Vesper Bells (Classroom 04)

Tuesday, February 13

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study (Zoom)

Wednesday, February 14

- 7:30 AM Breakfast & Bible Study (Zoom)
- 4:00 PM PADS Donation Drop-Off (Sanctuary Narthex entrance)
- 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service (Chapel)

Thursday, February 15

- 9:00 AM Bel Canto Ringers (Classroom 04)
- 9:00 AM Women's Disciple Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 4:15 PM Cherub Choir (Chapel)
- 4:15 PM Faith Choir (Sanctuary)
- 4:30 PM Joyful Noise Choir (Choir Room)
- 6:00 PM Chapel Music Team (Chapel)
- 6:30 PM Motet Choir (Sanctuary)
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

Saturday, February 17

- 8:00 AM Mobile Food Pantry (Douglas St. Parking Lot)

Sunday, February 18

- 10:00 AM Combined Worship in Sanctuary
- 10:20 AM Sunday School Pre-K - 7th grade
- 11:00 AM Social Hour
- 11:00 AM Jr/Sr High Choir (Choir Room)
- 11:15 AM Alpha/Omega Chimers (Classroom 04)
- 1:00 PM Sacred Ground Small Groups (Dougherty Room & Library)
- 1:00 PM Troop 71 Sunday Court of Honor (Chapel)
- 5:30 PM Youth Bells (Classroom 04)

Monday, February 19

- 11:15 AM Fourth & Fifth Grade Fellowship (TBD)
- 2:00 PM Lent Book Study (Dougherty Room)
- 6:00 PM Lent Book Study (Zoom)

Coming up in March

- Women's Lenten Soul Feast (March 8)
- PI Day Sale (March 10)
- Mobile Food Pantry (March 16)
- Youth Sunday (March 17)
- Lunch & Learn: Senior Safety (March 19)
- Palm Sunday (March 24)
- Maundy Thursday (March 28)
- Good Friday (March 29)
- Easter Sunday (March 31)

Today: Annual Meeting

Join us immediately following worship for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation. Items on the agenda include a presentation of the church budget, review of the Annual Report, the election of an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee, and a vote on amending our bylaws. If your children are in Sunday School, they may remain there through the Annual Meeting. Please pick them up in rooms 204/205 when the meeting is over.

Meal-a-Month Bags Available Today! Please grab a grocery bag from a Deacon or in the Narthex after worship today. Fill it with the items listed, or other non-perishable food items you wish to donate. Your donations benefit the Libertyville Township and St. Joseph Food Pantries. Please return your filled bag by the end of worship **next Sunday, February 18**. Thanks!

Ash Wednesday Service on Wednesday, Feb. 14

Join us for our Ash Wednesday Communion Service at 7:00 PM in the Chapel. Rev. Amy Heinrich will be leading the service.

***Lent in Plain Sight* begins Monday, Feb. 19**

God is often at work through the ordinary: ordinary people, ordinary objects, and ordinary grace. Through the ordinary, God communicates epiphanies, salvation, revelation, and reconciliation. It is through the mundane that we hear God's quiet voice.

The book, *Lent in Plain Sight*, will help us to focus on spiritual lessons and recognize how the seemingly ordinary can reveal the extraordinary presence of God in our lives. We have two meeting times: Mondays from 2:00 PM-3:00 PM (Dougherty Room) or 6:00 PM-7:00 PM (Zoom). Email nchapman-farley@boxp.net to sign up.

PADS Food Collection on Wednesdays

Drop off on Wednesdays between 4-6 pm in the Sanctuary Narthex. Please only bring items from the list below:

Breakfast: Bagels, cream cheese, instant oatmeal, store-bought muffins, granola or breakfast bars, meal replacement drinks

Lunch: Crackers, chips, ramen noodle cups or packages, protein bars, tuna or chicken salad packs, beef jerky, microwave popcorn, Jell-O cups, apple sauce pouches

Dinner: Non-perishable microwave dinners, canned baked beans, mac and cheese in boxes or cups, canned chili, microwave rice packs, sardines

Drinks: Apple or fruit juice packs, water bottles, hot chocolate packs

Other: Can openers, plastic cutlery and plates; baby food, small containers of milk

Flower Dedications

Honor a loved one or celebrate a special occasion by dedicating a floral arrangement to be used in our worship spaces on Sunday mornings. The cost is \$40 per arrangement. To make a dedication, visit www.firstpreslibertyville.org, email office@boxp.net or call the church office at 847-362-2174.