



Service of Worship

June 28 at 10:00 am

Welcome! Thank you for joining us today for worship.

Please join us in wearing a name tag so that we might greet one another.

The ushers have large print editions of today's bulletin; activity bags with quiet activities for older children staying in worship; and directions to our safe, loving nursery in our Monticello Wing for babies and young children.

Prayer of Preparation: Lead me from death to life, from falsehood to truth. Lead me from despair to hope, from fear to trust. Lead me from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our heart, our world, our universe. Peace. Peace. Peace.

Prelude "Will You Come and Follow Me"

Welcome

Call to Worship

Elder Karen Loughridge

Leader: Jesus says, "I am the Way for you."

People: And so we come to follow Christ.

Leader: Jesus says, "I am the Truth for you."

People: And so we come to dwell in the light.

Leader: Jesus says, "I am the Life for you."

People: And so we come, leaving behind all else to which we cling.

***The Community Sings**

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

Upon the mountain, when my Lord spoke,
out of God’s mouth came fire and smoke.
Looked all around me, it looked so fine,
till I asked my Lord if all was mine.

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

Jordan River, chilly and cold,
it chills the body but not the soul.
There is but one train upon this track.
It runs to heaven and then right back.

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

**Please stand if you are able*

Prayer of Confession

O God, you are always true to us in love. We are left wanting to say “sorry” for our faithlessness to you; for forgetting the poor and the broken; for failing to cherish creation. Give us life, O God so that we might change, and enable us to change that we may live. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Time of Silent Confession

Sung Response: “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace
(Repeat)

Assurance of Pardon

The Living Word

Mark 5:21-43

After the reading:

Leader: Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God’s people.

People: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn**

“Seek Ye First”

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And its righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

Ask, and it shall be given unto you, Seek, and you shall find;
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia

You shall not live by bread alone, But by every word,
That proceeds from the mouth of God. Allelu, alleluia

Prayer requests may be passed to the ushers during this hymn

Meditation and Response

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz

Prayers of the People

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.

Ritual of Friendship & Offering

all are asked to sign

Offertory "Come to the River to Pray" *Shelly Jesberger and Choir*

*Response

South African song

Halleluya! We sing your praises.
All our hearts with gladness are filled.
Halleluya! We sing your praises.
All our hearts with gladness are filled.

Christ now sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt;
Strong in faith, free of doubt; Tell to all the joyful Good News.

Halleluya! We sing your praises. All our
(clapping) hearts with gladness are filled.
Halleluya! We sing your praises. All our
(clapping) hearts with gladness are filled.
(repeat)

***The Community Departs in Song**

“Soon and Very Soon”

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King. (3x)
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we’re going to see the King!

No more crying there: we are going to see the King. (3x)
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we’re going to see the King!

No more dying there: we are going to see the King. (3x)
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we’re going to see the King!

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King. (3x)
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we’re going to see the King!

***Commission, Blessing, Passing of the Peace**

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Welcome Visitors!

We look forward to greeting you and answering any questions you may have. Visitor welcome bags are available in the foyers and the narthex. Take one home with you! And be sure to visit our website, www.fhcpresb.org, for a complete list of upcoming events, education programs for all ages, and texts and audio of past sermons.

Announcements

Thank you to today’s musicians: David Bell, Kurt Haas, Chris Vandall, & Grant Heineman on instrumentals; and Shelly Jesberger on piano and directing our Summer Choir.

The flowers today are given by Scott and Jean Duncan and Elizabeth Duncan in loving memory of Gloria and Bill Duncan and Ruth and Leonard Lick; and by Vikki Nowak in honor of Todd Webster and their 6th wedding anniversary.

Care Concerns

Prayer Concerns: Melanie Alban; Lia Clement; Evelyn, Scott, and Kari Fuller; Chuck Ishler; Ann Jones; Mary Lewis; Robert Nemcek; George Sentell; Debbie Ungemach.

Homebound members: Bill Currie, Marge Drollinger, Betty Farnfield, Iris Gilbert, Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Joyce Peters, Arlene & Jack Quinn, Margie & Dwight Stauffer, Elaine Tapie.

The Deacons are meeting member needs during July. Call the church to report an illness, hospitalization, family emergency, birth or death.

Today

Family Promise Team meeting: 11:30am

Church Softball: 6:00pm today, Field 4, Forest Hill Park

Vigil for Palestinian Rights: If you are interested, there is a prayer vigil for Palestinian rights at the UCC Synod today.

Dates to Remember

Clover & Tim Beal Farewell Party: Fri. 7/10, Rockefeller's

Summer Bible Study "Can the Bible be wrong?": Sundays 6/21 - 7/26, 9am in the Jin Room (next to kitchen.)

Haiti Trip: Haiti cultural immersion trip planned for 11/5-13. See Anne or Jeff Smith (anneandjeffsmith@gmail.com)

Rabbit Run Theater with The Group: Sat. 7/18 See Kathy Hanna-Stauffer for details (khannas@sbcglobal.net).

Clover Beal's Last Sunday: 7/9, Worship in Sanctuary

Labre Ministry Cookout: Sun. 7/19, 4pm, watch for details

Thunder Run 5k Run/Walk, Sat. 8/1, 9am, Forest Hill Park

Outdoor Worship & Supper: 8/15, 5pm, watch for details

Group/Lake County Captains Game: Sat. Aug.15, 7pm

Race Conversation dinners: *More Than Equals*, Sun. 8/23

One Book, One Church lunch and discussion: Elie Wiesel's *Open Heart*, Sun. 8/30

Fall Festival/Return of 11:00 am Worship: Sun. 9/13

Info on all church events can be found at www.fhcpresb.org



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