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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 23, 2024 10:00 a.m.
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

In order to maintain our worship environment, please turn off your cell phones. Thank you.

PRELUDE

Jonathan Korpi

CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Warnaar

The God who first heard the morning stars sing
never forgets the cry of the afflicted.

You, O God, have not forsaken those who seek you.

The God who set the limits of the seas
remains a stronghold for the oppressed.

You, O God, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Come, let us thank God for steadfast love,
for all God's mighty works.

++HYMN #689[GTG] When the Morning Stars Together

Opening with imagery from Job 38:7, this text celebrates the role of music in worship from earliest times to the present. It is set to a German tune that may have originated as a folk melody. The tune name (WEISSE FLAGGEN) German for "white flags" comes from one of the early texts set to it.

SERVICE OF RENEWAL

Call to Confession

Steve Warnaar

Prayer of Confession

**O Christ whose voice brought peace to the waves,
we pray for a glimpse of your peace in our lives.**

**When all around us has given way to chaos,
ground us in your presence.**

**When the struggle for justice
seems endless and we grow tired,
refresh us by your mercy.**

**Help us to see that you are in the boat with us,
even when we are certain that it is sinking.**

**Forgive us when we doubt the power of your grace, O Lord,
and make us agents of your reign.**

++ indicates to stand in body or spirit

Assurance of Pardon

Steve Warnaar

Now stand firm in your faith,
covered by the saving grace of God
and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

++Response to Forgiveness **#188 [GTG] Jesus Loves Me!**

*Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

++PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Steve Warnaar

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Be still and know that I am God (three times).

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Ms. Megan

MINUTE FOR MISSION

George Bennett

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Steve Warnaar

Holy, Holy, Holy One,
guide us by the Spirit of truth
to hear the Word of life you speak,
and to give all glory, honor, and praise
to your threefold name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 107: 1-3, 23-32

Steve Warnaar

¹O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

²Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble

³and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

²³Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters;

²⁴they saw the deeds of the LORD, his wondrous works in the deep.

²⁵For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea.
²⁶They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their calamity;
²⁷they reeled and staggered like drunkards, and were at their wits' end.
²⁸Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he brought them out from their distress;
²⁹he made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.
³⁰Then they were glad because they had quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.
³¹Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.
³²Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Storm is Passing Over" arr Barbara Baker Summer Pick Up Choir

*Have courage my soul and let me journey on.
Though the night is dark and I am far from home.
Thanks be to God the morning light appears.*

The storm is passing over, the storm is passing over, the storm is passing over Hallelujah.

GOSPEL READING Mark 4:35-41 Rev. Stanley Jenkins

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

SERMON Rev. Stanley Jenkins

++HYMN #432[GTG] How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

This reflection on Christian vocation was written to provide a new text for a pre-existing tune, and the poet has crafted his words so well that the two parts mesh smoothly. The tune is named for a noted British boarding school (REPTON), whose music director was a friend of the composer.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Stan Jenkins

The Lord be with you
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Prayers continue)

Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

Amen #568[GTG]

568 Amen

Capo 3: (Em) (D) (G) (Am) (Em) (B) (C) (D) (A)
Gm F B^b Cm Gm D E^b F C

A - men, a - men, a - men!

(Em) (D) (G) (Am) (Em) (B) (C) (Bm7) (E)
Gm F B^b Cm Gm D E^b Dm7 G

A - men, a - men, a - men!

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text
MUSIC: Marty Haugen, 1984
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AMEN (Haugen)

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

Offertory Music

Offering

++Doxology #607 [GTG]

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

Prayer of Dedication

++HYMN #354[GTG] Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

The text, by abolitionist and suffragist Julia Ward Howe was written in 1861 after a meeting with Pres. Abraham Lincoln at the White House. The lyrics were first published on the front page of the Atlantic Monthly in February 1862 and became a favorite of the Union army. The tune is borrowed from the oral tradition of hymns from revivalist camp meetings. This text incorporates many apocalyptic images such as the coming of the Lord in glory, the winepress, and the sharp sword.

BENEDICTION

BLEST BE THE TIE 306[GTG]

***Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.***

POSTLUDE

Jonathan Korpi

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MORE LIGHT
PRESBYTERIANS

INFORMATION FOR THE DAY

Participants in this morning's service:

Liturgist	Steve Warnaar
Organist/Pianist	Jonathan Korpi
Director of Music	Megan Higle
Dir. Church Life/Comm. Outreach	Prince Solace
Pastor	Rev. Stanley Jenkins

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNS are available.

FLOWERS TODAY ARE PROVIDED BY SUSAN REAMES in honor of all her wonderful years at this church with thanks to church members and special thanks to Music Director Megan Higle for her guidance to the choir.

FLOWER CHART There are many dates available on the chart to celebrate special days in our church family. The price is \$50. Simply sign up on the chart (in the office hall), indicate the occasion that you would like celebrated or honored (birthday, anniversary or memorial), write a check to the church and give it to Betsy, and we will order for you. If you would like to purchase or provide a silk arrangement, please see Judy Whitman. Thank you! ~ Worship Committee.

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, June 23

10:00 a.m. Sunday service – Chapel
12:30 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries – Chapel

Monday, June 24

10:00 a.m. GIL classes
10:00 a.m. Church staff meeting - Library
5:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga room

Tuesday, June 25

10:00 a.m. - 2 GIL Classes
3:00 p.m. Mandela Fellowship – Chapel
6:00 p.m.-8 Gibson School of Highland Dance – Litten Hall/GIL room
6:30 p.m. Glen Erin Pipe Band rehearsal – Litten Hall
7:00 p.m. Capital City Chordsmen rehearsal – Chapel

Wednesday, June 26

10:00 a.m.- 5 GIL Class
12:00 P.M. Bible study – library
5:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga room

Thursday, June 27

9:00 a.m.-2 NWI food distribution – Litten Hall
7:00 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries– Library

Friday, June 28

5:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga Room

Saturday, June 29

Sunday, June 30

10:00 a.m. Sunday service - Chapel
12:30 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries Worship – Chapel

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Summer Bible Study/Fellowship Opportunity.

Come and join us. Leave confident, optimistic, and energized in your faith.

The church is now offering Wednesday Bible Study at noon, at the church and on Zoom. The first session is June 26. Participants can review the selected readings before each Wednesday session. Start reviewing the materials on the Thursday before the session, on your own schedule. The group will review three reflective questions and discuss other items. If a session is cancelled, a makeup time will be set for the following Sunday after church. Materials can be found:

- 1) in the Participant's Booklet passed out at church and some copies are still available in the library on the mantel)
- 2) Online on our website. There is a button to click on the home page that will take you to the Bible Study page. Scroll to the bottom and click the Class Materials link.

The **Garden Committee** meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7pm via Zoom. Our meetings are scheduled for the remainder of the year as follows:

- June 26th
- July 24th
- August 28th
- September 25th
- October 23rd

Reminder: The annual per capita payment to the Lake Michigan Presbytery this year is \$40.05. Hopefully every member can pay that amount. The check can go to the church noting per capita. Please consider paying the per capita for those who cannot afford to. Thank you.