



Worship for the Lord's Day Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 26, 2025

9:30 am

Prelude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty ("Lobe den Herren")

arr. John Carter

Lighting the Christ Candle

Sean Coriell

Words of Welcome

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

***Opening Words:**

One: God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

All: God calls us to be builders as well.

One: God calls us to build our lives:

All: to restore broken places and continue to grow.

One: God calls us to build our faith:

All: to study the Word and ponder its interpretation.

One: God calls us to build community:

All: to build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.

One: God calls us to build history by fulfilling the promises of Scripture:

All: to preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.

***Hymn 453**

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

YISRAEL V'ORAITA

Call to Confession

Fred Veenbaas

One: In contrast to God's clear word, our faults and failings may remain hidden from others and even from ourselves. Confession before God can clear our eyes and cleanse our hearts, for God's mercy is as wide as the firmament of heaven.

Prayer of Confession

All: God of our Restoration, whenever we come home to you, we realize how far we have strayed and how much we have forgotten of your law and your love. We have not loved you with our whole hearts or loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are too quick to dismiss the needs of the world and people, hoping someone else will respond and work for change. Forgive us, heal us, and restore us to our relationship with you; through Jesus Christ, in whom we trust. Amen.

Assurance of God's Grace

One: God's word does not come to condemn us,
but to make us wise, reviving our souls and rejoicing our hearts.

**All: God's Word has been fulfilled among us in Jesus Christ,
who sets us free to live in accord with God's own jubilee.**

*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 699 refrain only

Fill My Cup

FILL MY CUP

Growing with God

Kristin Duy

Following Growing with God, all children are invited to go to Faith Formation class in LL6 or sit in the pews with their families.

Sung Response 699 refrain only, remain seated

Fill My Cup

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Prayer for Inspiration

Fred

Scripture Reading

Psalm 19

One: Heaven is declaring God's glory; the sky is proclaiming his handiwork.

²One day gushes the news to the next,
and one night informs another what needs to be known.

³Of course, there's no speech, no words—their voices can't be heard ⁴but their sound extends throughout the world; their words reach the ends of the earth.

All: God has made a tent in heaven for the sun.

⁵The sun is like a groom coming out of his honeymoon suite;
like a warrior, it thrills at running its course.

⁶It rises in one end of the sky; its circuit is complete at the other.
Nothing escapes its heat.

One: ⁷The Lord's Instruction is perfect, reviving one's very being.
The Lord's laws are faithful, making naive people wise.

All: ⁸The Lord's regulations are right, gladdening the heart.
The Lord's commands are pure, giving light to the eyes.

One ⁹Honoring the Lord is correct, lasting forever. The Lord's judgments are true.
All of these are righteous!

All: ¹⁰They are more desirable than gold— than tons of pure gold!
They are sweeter than honey—even dripping off the honeycomb!

One: ¹¹No doubt about it: your servant is enlightened by them;
there is great reward in keeping them.

All: ¹²But can anyone know what they've accidentally done wrong?
Clear me of any unknown sin ¹³and save your servant from willful sins.
Don't let them rule me.
Then I'll be completely blameless; I'll be innocent of great wrongdoing.

¹⁴Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart
be pleasing to you, Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Scripture Reading

Luke 4:14-21

Beth

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Sermon

Jesus' Call; Our Call

Rev. Beth Freese Dammers

*Hymn 459

O Word of God Incarnate

MUNICH

Offering Our Gifts to God

Invitation to Offering

Fred

Offertory

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

arr. Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

*Doxology words 607, tune 606

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDRETH

*Prayer of Dedication



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Church Tidings

use this QRCode to sign into the friendship pad



Beth

Joys & Concerns

God's People Pray / The 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 744**

Arise Your Light Is Come!

FESTAL SONG

***Charge and Blessing**

***Postlude**

Fanfare Postlude on "St. Thomas"

arr. Douglas Wagner

** Please rise in spirit or body*

All speak emboldened type

LITURGIST: Fred Veenbaas

ONLINE WORSHIP HOST: Courteney Templeton

ACOLYTE: Sean Coriell

USHERS: Ann Lorenz, Phil Lorenz

AV: Erich Kretchmer, Liz Monson

LARGE PRINT hymnals are available from the ushers.

Next Sunday in Worship, February 2

Annual Meeting following worship

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Greatest Gift is LOVE



VISITING CPC? WELCOME!

We believe feeling welcome is foundational for members and visitors to be open to the journey of lifelong faith formation and growth. If you've felt a sense of welcome at CPC and are curious in learning more about us, reach out to Ingrid Ellithorpe, Community Connector, to chat by email ingridellithorpe@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 630.452.2625.

Let us know you are here!

HELLO!
My name is

Visitor

This week at CPC:

Sunday, January 26

9:30 am — **Worship**
9:45 am — Faith Formation; LL Room 6
10:45 am — Adult Ed: Chapel / Zoom
11:30 am — Youth group returns from Retreat
3:00 pm — Concert: Wendy & DB; Sanctuary

Monday, January 27

7:00 pm — Deacons; Chapel / Zoom

Tuesday, January 28

9:15 am — Circle 1; Gathering Room
10:00 am — Circle 4; Oak Trace
1:00 pm — Circle 2; Gathering Room
1:30 pm — Staff Meeting, Chapel / Zoom
7:00 pm — A & P; Chapel / zoom
7:00 pm — Circle 3; Gathering Room

Wednesday, January 29

7:00 pm — Chancel Choir; Sanctuary

Thursday, January 30

9:00 am — Read * Share * Pray
7:00 pm — Clarion Bell Choir rehearsal; Sanctuary

Friday, January 31

Saturday, February 1

Sunday, February 2

Communion

9:30 am — **Worship**
NO Faith Formation - children remain in worship
10:30 am — **Annual Meeting of the Congregation**
5:00 pm — Cubes MS & HS; LL



FAITH FORMATION CLASS THIS SUNDAY NEHEMIAH 8 AFTER GROWING WITH GOD

Join us this Sunday in LL6 as we learn about the importance of working together.



NURSERY CARE

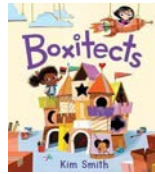
The Nursery will be staffed by our volunteers **Feb. 2**. The Nursery is located across from the church office on the main floor and is always open for use, even when not staffed by our volunteers.



BIBLE EXPLORERS

February 23, March 23 & April 27
During Sunday worship service

All kids in 4th - 6th grade are encouraged to participate in our Bible Explorers group. These sessions will be exciting and engaging. Kids will get a chance to interact with their friends and their bibles in ways that equip and inspire them to read their Bibles regularly at home.



LENDING LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT BOXITECTS

Meg is a brilliant and creative boxitect. She loves impressing her teacher and classmates with what she makes out of boxes. But there's a new kid at Maker School: Simone. Simone is good at everything, and worst of all, she's a boxitect too. When the annual Maker Match is held, Meg and Simone are paired as a team but can't seem to stop arguing. When their extraordinary project turns into a huge disaster, they must find a way to join creative forces, lift each other up, and work together.

Boxitects is available in the Lending Library...check it out!



VALENTINE'S FEST

Sunday, February 9
10:30am

Join us in Fellowship Hall after worship to celebrate Valentine's Day! We will have crafts, games and treats for all ages.



KIDS' ACADEMY NEW FAMILY ENROLLMENT NOW OPEN!

CPC Kids' Academy is a preschool for children 30 months to 5 years and an after-school program for kids in kindergarten thru 5th grade. The Academy has been in the Clarendon Hills community for more than 50 years and is VERY proud to be NAEYC accredited!

New families are invited to learn more about the Academy by contacting the Director Kelley Lemley at kelly.lemley@gmail.com to schedule a tour.



Enroll your child by February 10 to receive \$150 off your first month's tuition!



ADULT ED
UNDERSTANDING OUR CONNECTIONS – THE QUR’AN AND THE BIBLE
 Jan 26, 10:45 - 11:45
 Chapel/ Zoom
[Zoom link](#)

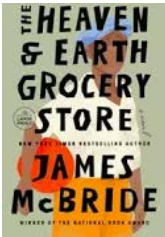
Our first class, on January 19, introduced us to Imam Hassan Aly – and to the history of the creation of the Qur’an, Islam’s holy text. His co-leader for the fourth session, Rev. Dr. Robert Cathey, joined the class remotely.

This Sunday, Imam Aly will lead us in the first of two classes that discuss the stories and people that are part of both the Qur’an and the Bible. Based on the first class, Imam Aly will teach us well!

There was some interest in learning more about the language of the Qur’an. Imam Aly recommended that we bring up a recording of the text and just listen and enjoy it. Here is a recording:

<https://read.quranexplorer.com/2/1/286/Usmani/Mishari-Rashid/Hide/Tajweed-OFF>

Rev. Dr. Robert Cathey is also looking into texts that would be useful.



CIRCLE OF VOICES
 Wednesday, February 19
 9:30am
 Gathering Room

Circle of Voices will meet on Wednesday, February 19th at 9:30am in the Gathering Room at CPC. We will be discussing *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store: A Novel* by James McBride. The book is available at the Clarendon Hills Library. All are welcome to join the discussion, even if you have not finished or read the book. Traditionally we enjoy lunch together at a local restaurant. For more information, contact Barb Coop.



DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN ART
 Art Exhibit at CPC
 Jan 12 - Feb 2

Embracing Our Differences is a nonprofit organization based in Southwest Florida along Florida's Cultural Coast, that uses the power of art and education to celebrate and promote our individuality and common humanity. They accomplish this through an annual, large-scale, juried exhibition and a comprehensive series of educational initiatives, programs, and resources designed for educators and

students. Smaller canvas-sized art pieces are here at CPC for one more week!

Join us to expand our horizons of what makes us human and what brings us together with 25 pieces of art created by children from around the world. Scan the QR code to learn about Diversity and Inclusion in Art and preview the exhibit.



MEAL A MONTH COLLECTION

Food pantries are in desperate need. Fill a bag with non-perishable grocery items to be donated to Hinsdale Community Services.

The suggested menu is:

- Cereal and Pancake Mix Rice
- Mac & Cheese Canned Tuna or Chicken
- Peanut Butter & Jelly Salad Dressing
- Beans Paper Products



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.



LOVE INC. PIZZA FUNDRAISER

Order by Wednesday, February 5th

Pick-Up at CPC February 9th

Support long-time CPC mission partner Love, Inc and eat yummy Home Run Inn pizza. Choose from a variety of Take N' Bake pizzas made fresh at the restaurant daily and ready to be cooked in your home oven whenever you want delicious pizza. Round or heart shaped pizzas available as well as a variety of salads and desserts. Celebrate the Super Bowl or Valentine's

Day or save for a busy night when there is no time to cook!

All orders must be placed by February 5th to be picked up at CPC on Sunday, February 9th after worship between 10:30 and 11:30 am. 30% of all orders benefit Love, Inc, supporting their vital mission to mobilize the local church to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ. Love is a partnership of many local Christian churches, working together to unify the church around our neighbors in need in the Western Suburbs and CPC Member Becky Bewley Rush is the Executive Director.



CALIFORNIA WILDFIRE ASSISTANCE

[Presbyterian Disaster Assistance](#) (PDA) is working to provide necessary resources to support the congregations and communities that have been affected by the wildfires in Southern California. To support that disaster relief work, you can [make an online gift to PDA](#).

We join in praying for all who are affected, for swift containment of the fires, and for the safety of first responders.



CONCERT: KAIA STRING QUARTET

Sunday, February 16

3:00 p.m.

From the tango of the Rio de la Plata to the string quartets of Silvestre Revueltas, the KAIA String Quartet is an ensemble devoted to promoting the rich and colorful music of Latin America.

The concert is titled **"Song and Dance: Celebrating Latin American Culture."** The program will include a variety of music based on South American songs and dance. Come hear how diverse the string quartet repertoire can be through the masterful writing of composers like Astor Piazzolla, Joaquín Turina, and Clarice Assad.

The musicians are Victoria Moreira (violin), Naomi Culp (violin), Susan Bengtson Price (viola), and Hope Shepherd DeCelle (cello).

FAMILY CONCERT: WENDY AND DB

TODAY: Sunday, January 26

3:00 pm

Sanctuary

This concert will feature singer/songwriting team Wendy and DB - a multicultural, award-winning children's music duo. They write their songs with inclusion, diversity, love, kindness and family values, and their themes examine the world with curiosity. This interactive musical event is suitable for the whole family, young and young at heart.



The CPC Concert Series is pleased to partner with CPC's Kids' Academy to offer this fun, family concert.



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

Sunday Feb 2

10:30 am

Sanctuary and Livestream (same link as worship)



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