

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WILMETTE

Sunday, August 6th, 2023

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

Youth Sunday

Experience God. Grow Disciples. Transform Lives.



WORSHIP LEADERS:

Tower Students, Preaching and Liturgists
Rev. Kara Smith-Laubenstein, Pastoral Liturgist

*PLEASE STAND

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND COMMON LIFE

*CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 121

Campbell Boaz

I lift up my eyes to the hills - from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

*GATHERING SONGS

Hymn No. 701 *Lord, Prepare Me (Sanctuary)*

SANCTUARY

Hymn No. 749 *Come! Live in the Light! (We Are Called)*

WE ARE CALLED

Hymn No. 411 *God Is Here Today*, sing three times

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Ainsley Flintz

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ainsley Flintz

Holy God, how often we trust in the promises of earthly rulers instead of the power of your love; help us to turn our hearts towards you. Restore us in your love, and set us free to forgive as we have been forgiven, by the grace and mercy of Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Ainsley Flintz and Ceci Miller

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Meada Estrada

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Children's Chapel is on hiatus for the summer. We invite children to sit with their families and worship together. Worship bags are available as is the Nursery for babies and very young children.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - HYMN NO. 59 - *The Steadfast Love of the Lord*

**The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
God's mercies never come to an end.
They are new ev'ry morning, new ev'ry morning;
Great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Maeve Scott

SCRIPTURE READINGS - Romans 12:4-8 and Philippians 2:3-11

Maeve Scott

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMONS

Caroline Bender and Addy Lundgren

HYMN OF INVITATION NO. 399 - *God Welcomes All*, sing three times

THEMBA AMEN

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE 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.**

BLESSING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Campbell Boaz and Addy Lundgren

COMMUNION MUSIC - HYMN NO. 521 - *In Remembrance of Me* (please join as you wish)

RED

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Axel Zimmer

Loving God, we thank you
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CALL FOR OFFERING

Scott McElhenie



Give online here

We invite you to give via our church website www.fpcw.org (see QR code), our smartphone app, or by sending a check to the church office. An offering plate is also available as you exit. We are grateful for your generosity!

OFFERTORY - *Ain't No Mountain High Enough*

Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE—The Doxology (OLD HUNDREDTH)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

John Gemmell

Dear God, we offer you these gifts that they might build up the work of your kingdom. Make us living witnesses to the way of your righteous reign. For the glory of your son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

***SENDING HYMN NO. 543 - *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me*, verses 1, 3, and 5**

GREEN TYLER

***RESPONSIVE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Caroline Bender and Addy Lundgren

Christ has no body on earth but ours.

Ours are the eyes with which Christ looks with compassion on the world;

Ours are the feet with which Christ walks to do good;

Ours are the hands with which Christ blesses all the world.

Let us go now, and protect the earth, care for all God's creatures, and live in love.

Go in the peace of Christ.

***POSTLUDE**

Join us after worship in the Fellowship Garden for Lemonade on the Lawn.
Cookies and lemonade will be served.



Common Life

Week of August 6th, 2023

Congregational Meeting Today

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting during today’s worship service. The meeting’s purpose is to hear the Nominating Committee report and vote on slates of Elders and Deacons to serve on respective church boards beginning September 1.

Back to School Backpacks and Supplies for Children in Rogers Park

Help us meet our 2023 goal: 60 backpacks filled with school supplies for 20 elementary school students and 40 in middle/high school through our partnership with Rogers Park Presbyterian Church. Please give online (choose Backpacks for Kids from the Fund menu) or by cash/check in the offering plate.

Family Promise Guests Welcomed August 13 through August 20

We look forward to welcoming Family Promise guests this summer. Volunteer to set up, prepare and serve dinner, stay overnight, or clean up at the end of the week. Request more information or sign up to help through the church office (847-256-3010 | office@fpcw.org).

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Summer Recess for Education and Fellowship Activities

Many of our education programs and fellowship groups are on hiatus for the summer. Please feel welcome to learn more about them at fpcw.org or by calling the church office at 847-256-3010. These activities will resume with the start of our new program year in September.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the family of Jack O’Kieffe who died on July 27th. A memorial service will be held in late August. Details to come.

SUMMER 2023 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

August 6
10:00 am Fellowship Garden
August 13, 20, and 27
8:00 am Gillson Park
10:00 am Sanctuary
September 3
10:00 am Fellowship Garden

First Festival
Sunday
September 10
10:00 Worship & Music
11:00 Lunch & Games

CHURCH OFFICE

847-256-3010
Monday-Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm
Friday 9:00am-3:30pm

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