SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY WINNETKA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost July 2, 2023

GATHERING

Prelude

WELCOME

Silent Meditation

Call to Worship | standing

Psalm 33:12, 20-21

Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord.

God is our help and our shield. Our hearts will rejoice in God, because we trust in God's holy name. HYMN | STANDING For This Land



Prayer of Confession

Liberating God,
as we give thanks for your gifts of freedom and justice,
we are also mindful that we have not always lived up to these ideals.
We are surrounded by beauty,
yet we fail to protect our natural resources.
We are blessed beyond measure,
yet we fail to share our blessings with those in need.
We are uncommonly free,
yet we fail to speak up against bigotry and racism.
We are loved beyond measure,
yet we fail to share your love unconditionally.
Forgive our failures,
and help us to reclaim our hopes and ideals.

Silence is kept from personal confession.

Amen.

Words of Assurance

SHARING THE PEACE | STANDING

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Peace, Salaam, Shalom

WORD

Prayer for Illumination

HEBREW SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 28:5-9

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM Psalm 89



Gospel Matthew 10:40-42

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon ??

Rev. Paul Gilmore

Music Offering

Above All Else Gwen Eagleton, soloist

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of freedom...

hear our prayer.

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.

THANKSGIVING

Offering

After the offering is collected, all stand and sing as the bread and juice are brought to the table.

Offertory Song | standing

We Place Upon Your Table (next page)



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving | standing

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

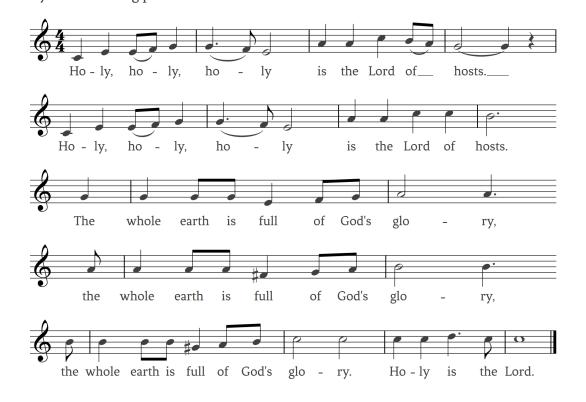
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Creator of the universe,
Ruler of all nations,
you have blessed us in this land
made rich with rivers, forests, mountains,
and creatures great and small.

Here,
you set before the founders and pioneers of this nation
an opportunity beyond measure
to build a realm of justice, peace, and freedom.
Here you continue to call us
to be a sign of your reign in all the world.
For such a place,
such a vision
and such a calling we give you thanks,
as we join with your people in every land on earth
and with all the company of heaven
in your unceasing praise:



Above all we give you thanks for the gift of your Son Jesus Christ, who sends us into the world to declare the good news of your kingdom to every creature: justice to all peoples, good news to the poor, release for prisoners, sight for the blind, and freedom for the oppressed.

Pour out your Holy Spirit
on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make Christ known to us in the breaking of this bread,
and the sharing of this cup,
that we may be for the world his body
poured out as a sign
of the fullness of your new creation
where justice flows like rivers,
righteousness like an ever-flowing stream,
where no one shall hunger or thirst,
and where no one shall study war any more.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.



The congregation is seated.

Words of Institution

C.OMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Please come forward by the center aisle to receive communion.

Once you have received, please return by the side aisles,

placing your cups in the baskets provided

The bread of life ... **Thanks be to God** *or* **Amen** The cup of salvation ... **Thanks be to God** *or* **Amen**

COMMUNION SONG

In My Father's House Gwen Eagleton, soloist

Prayer After Communion

Eternal God,
you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation.
May we rise from this table strengthened for service,
and eager to share your love in our daily living.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

SENDING

CLOSING SONG I STANDING

This Is My Song (next page)

Charge and Benediction | standing

Postlude



WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

Information about weekly Bible studies and small groups can be found in your weekly email or at winnpres.org. Sign up at winnpres.org to receive our weekly email.

Men's Small Group (Conference B)

Saturdays @ 8:30am

Women's Bible Study (Conference C)

Saturdays @ 10am

Men's Bible Study (Zoom)

Tuesdays @ 7am

BIBLE STUDY (CONFERENCE B)

Wednesdays @ 11am

Announcements



OFFERING

You can financially support the ministry of WPC in one of the following ways:

- Scan this QR code.
- Place your offering in the offering plate.
- Give online at winnpres.org/give-online.

July 4th Parking

Each year, we open the WPC parking lot to community members who need a place to park for the fireworks show across the street. Parking is by donation, and all donations go towards our youth summer mission trip (in 2024!).

READ SCRIPTURE IN WORSHIP

We are looking for a few new voices to add our outstanding roster of scripture readers. Please let Geoff Duffy know if you're interested.

Serving Today

Worship Leaders: Paul Gilmore, Geoff Duffy

Greeters: Bob and Liz Crowe

Lectors: Karen Tokmakoff, Bill McNair

Prayer Leader: Karen Tokmakoff

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