

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WINNETKA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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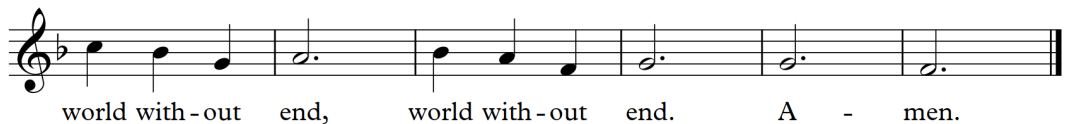
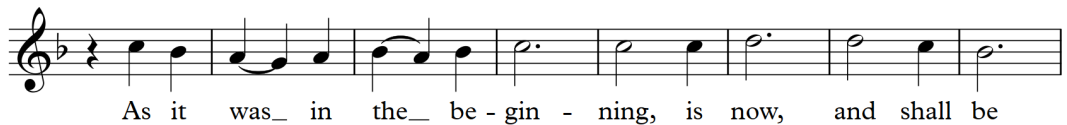
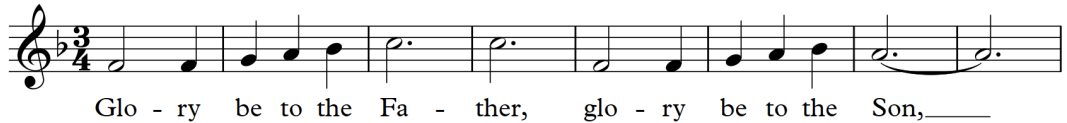
GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

SILENT MEDITATION

GLORIA PATRI | STANDING



The Holy One calls our sons and daughters to prophesy.

We come, ready to hear the Word of God.

The Holy One calls our young people to see visions.

We come, ready to see new visions.

The Holy One calls our elders to dream dreams.

We come, ready to dream new dreams.

The Holy One pours out the Spirit on all people.

We come, ready to be filled with God's Spirit.

Let us worship the Holy One!

Let us pray.

Holy God,

we give you thanks

for all the ways that you bless our lives:

the beauty and abundance of nature,

the love of family and friends,

the joy of knowing you and hearing your word.

Send your Spirit during this time of worship

so that we might dream your dreams

and see visions of the world as you created it to be.

Guide our thoughts and actions.

Bring us closer to you so that we might do your will

and dwell in your house forever.

Amen.

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, Prepare Me

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc-tu - ar - y, pure and
ho - ly, tried and true. With thanks - giv - ing,
I'll be a liv - ing sanc-tu - ar - y for you.

EPISTLE

1 Timothy 4:12-16

Charlie Reis

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 1

Turn away, turn away from bad advice.

Walk away, walk away from what is wrong.

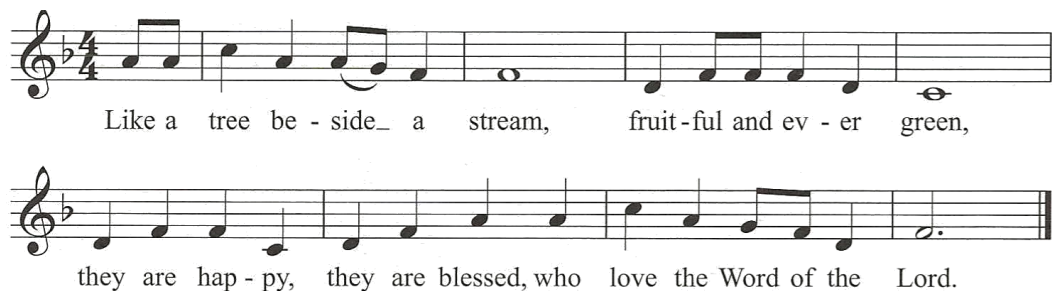
Stay away, stay away from those who scoff at the teaching of the Lord. (*refrain*)

Like a tree be - side a stream, fruit-ful and ev - er green,
they are hap - py, they are blessed, who love the Word of the Lord.

Let the Law of the Lord give you delight.

Turn your heart to the Law by day and night.

As a tree, as a tree growing by a stream, you will prosper, you will thrive. (*refrain*)



Like a tree be - side a stream, fruit - ful and ev - er green,
they are hap - py, they are blessed, who love the Word of the Lord.

All who turn, all who turn away from God,

all the hearts, all the minds that hate his words,

lead to lives, lead to lives that are like the chaff scattered by a driving wind. (*refrain*)

GOSPEL

Mark 1:14-20

Maggie Schutz

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Redefining Greatness

Rev. Paul Gilmore

CHORAL SONG OF REPOSE

For Everyone Born

For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead...

And God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy!

For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
for young and for old, the right to belong...

For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free...

BAPTISM & PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRESENTATION

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ:
All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit,
and teaching them to obey everything
that I have commanded you.
And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Hear also these words from holy scripture:
There is one body and one Spirit,
just as you were called
to the one hope of your calling,
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all,
who is above all and through all and in all.

An elder presents each candidate for baptism:

On behalf of the session, I present Connor, Jack, and William
to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The pastor addresses the candidates for baptism:

Putting your whole trust in the grace and love of Jesus Christ, Connor, Jack, and William, do you desire to be baptized?

I do.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Connor, Jack, William by word and deed, with love and prayer?

We do.

Will you encourage them to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of his church?

We will.

An elder presents the candidates:

Brady, Charlie, Ella, Vivian, Maggie, Dylan, Alexandra, Madisen, Cooper, Megan, Ryan, Elizabeth, Charlie, Jack, Blake, and Gioia are presented by the session for the reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant. They now desire to profess their faith publicly and to accept greater responsibility in the life of the church and God's mission in the world.

Addressing the candidates for profession of faith, the pastor says:

We rejoice that you now desire to declare your faith and to share with us in our common ministry. In Baptism you were joined to Christ and made members of his body. In the community of the people of God you have learned of God's purpose for you and for all creation. You have been nurtured at the table of our Lord and called to witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God,
do you turn from the ways of sin
and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple,
obeying his word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

Will you devote yourself
to the church's teaching and fellowship,
to the breaking of bread and the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

APOSTLES' CREED | STANDING

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth?

I do.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and buried;
who descended to the dead,
and on the third day rose again;
who ascended into heaven,
and is now seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come to judge the living and the dead?

I do.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting?

I do.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Blessed are you, holy God.
You are the creator of the waters of the earth.
You are the fire of rebirth.
You poured out your Spirit on your people Israel.
You breathe life into our dry bones.
Your Son Jesus promised to send the Spirit to us
that the world may know your peace and truth.
Pour out your Holy Spirit,
and breathe new life into those who are here baptized.
By your Spirit adopt us all as your children,
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

BAPTISM

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING

O Lord, uphold Connor, Jack, and William by your Holy Spirit.
Give them your gifts of grace:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence,
both now and forever. Amen.

The pastor anoints each of the newly baptized, saying:

Child of the covenant, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit in baptism
and marked as Christ's own forever.

Gracious God, by water and the Spirit
you claimed us as your own,
cleansing us from sin, and giving us new life.
You made us members of your body, the church,
calling us to be your servants in the world.
Renew in Brady, Charlie, Ella, Vivian, Maggie, Dylan, Alexandra, Madisen, Cooper,
Megan, Ryan, Elizabeth, Charlie, Jack, Blake, and Gioia
the covenant you made in their baptism.
Continue the good work you have begun in them.
Send them forth by the power of your Spirit
to love and serve you with joy,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The pastor anoints those reaffirming their baptismal vows saying:

Remember your baptism and be thankful,
and know that the Holy Spirit is at work within you.

WELCOME

Connor, Jack, and William:
through your baptism you have been received
into the one holy catholic and apostolic church.

Brady, Charlie, Ella, Vivian, Maggie, Dylan, Alexandra, Madisen, Cooper, Megan, Ryan,
Elizabeth, Charlie, Jack, Blake, and Gioia:
by professing your faith publicly,
you have expressed your intention
to grow in the covenant God made with you in your baptism.
May the Spirit continue to strengthen and sustain you
in the worship and mission of the church.
Amen. Alleluia!

SHARING THE PEACE | STANDING

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



1. Will you let me be your ser - vant,
 2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney;
 3. I will hold the Christ - light for you
 4. I will weep when you are weep - ing;
 5. When we sing to God in heav - en,



let me be as Christ to you?
 we're to - geth - er on the road.
 in the night - time of your fear.
 when you laugh I'll laugh with you.
 we shall find such har - mo - ny,



Pray that I may have the grace to
 We are here to help each oth - er
 I will hold my hand out to you,
 I will share your joy and sor - row
 born of all we've known to - geth - er



let you be my ser - vant too.
 walk the mile and bear the load.
 speak the peace you long to hear.
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.
 of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Charlie and Dylan Sears

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.

TABLE

OFFERING

After the offering is collected, the congregation stands as the communion elements are brought to the Table.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE | STANDING

Come to the Table

1 Come to the ta - ble of grace. Come to the
ta - ble of grace. This is God's ta - ble; it's
not yours or mine. Come to the ta - ble of grace.

- 2 Come to the table of peace...
- 3 Come to the table of love...
- 4 Come to the table of hope...
- 5 Come to the table of joy...

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.

Thanks be to you, O God, for the gift of your Holy Spirit -
who forms life out of chaos,
who ignites the words of the prophets,
who carries your people together in unity.

Preaching the Good News,
Jesus welcomed, healed, and forgave by the power the Spirit.
Dying on the cross for a wounded world,
he gave over his own spirit.
Rising from death,
he pours out the Holy Spirit on all people.

And so we sing...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

On this bread and wine...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

On us gathered around this table...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

On this earth, its waters and lakes and skies...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

On all creation...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

O God, breathe your life into our weary bones.
Anoint us for service with your oil of gladness.
Translate our speech into words of wisdom.
Shower on us the gifts of the Spirit -
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
Sanctify the earth with your truth.
Bring us at the end, with all your children,
into your homeland of mercy.

We praise and bless you -
Holy Trinity,
God of mercy and might,
God of cross and empty tomb,
God of justice and peace, now and forever.

Amen.

The congregation is seated.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

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**

CHORAL COMMUNION SONG

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gioia Beukenkamp

Let us pray.

God of wind and flame,
through our sharing in this holy sacrament,
transform us into the Body of Christ -
people of dreams and visions,
people of hope and witness,
people of love and service.
Ignite in us a passion for the gospel,
and sweep us out in the world to love and serve you.
We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

SENDING

CLOSING SONG | STANDING

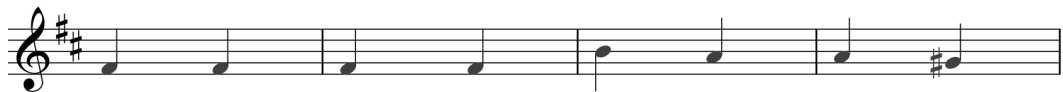
At the Font We Start Our Journey



1. At the font we start our jour - ney,
2. At the pul - pit we are fash - ioned
3. At the ta - ble we are nour - ished
4. At the door we are com - mis - sioned,



in the Eas - ter faith bap - tized;
by the Eas - ter tale re - told
with the Eas - ter gift of bread;
now the Eas - ter vic - tory's won,



doubts and fears no long - er blind us,
in - to wit - nes - ses and proph - ets,
in our break - ing it to piec - es
to re - store a world di - vid - ed



by the light of Christ sur - prised. Al - le - lu - ia,
by the pow'r of Christ made bold. Al - le - lu - ia,
see the love of Christ out - spread. Al - le - lu - ia,
to the peace of Christ as one. Al - le - lu - ia,



Al - le - lu - ia! Hope held out and re - a - lized.
Al - le - lu - ia! Faith pro - claimed, yet still un - told.
Al - le - lu - ia! Life em - braced, yet free - ly shed.
Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter's work must still be done.

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

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SERVING TODAY

Worship Leaders: Paul Gilmore, Geoff Duffy

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Connor Sognefest, Nancy Holly

Lectors: Brady Ray, Maggie Schutz

Call to Worship: Elizabeth Laabs, Charlie Reis

Prayers of the People: Charlie & Dylan Sears

Communion Elements: Jack Walker,

Cooper Cramer, Alexandra Van Vlack

Communion Assistants:

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