

MORNING WORSHIP AT 10:00 A.M.

What Do You Really Need?

GATHERING: PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

In Preparation for Worship

"I get ideas about what's essential when packing my suitcase."

- Diane von Furstenberg

Sentences of Scripture

Rev. Lynette Sparks

Opening Voluntary

"Minuet in G Minor"

J.S. Bach

"Minuet in G Major"

Helen Hofmeister, Harpsichord

Sharing the Life of Westminster

Susan Jennings

++Call to Worship (from Psalm 48)

One: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God.

All: God's holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth.

One: We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.

All: Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth.

One: Tell the next generation, "This is God, our God forever and ever."

All: God will be our guide forever.

++Hymn 373

"O Day of Peace"

Jerusalem

Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God, we confess our doubt that you have overcome sin and death. We are more in touch with the pangs of our weakness than we are with the power of your love. In fear, we worship idols rather than you; in despair, we collapse in hopelessness rather than look to you in faith; in rage, we seek to dominate others rather than seek true and lasting peace among all people. Forgive us for the ways we have misused the blessings poured out on our nation. Have mercy on us. Grant us the vision of your eternal kingdom, we humbly pray...

Silent Confession

Kyrie - Unison

"Lord, Have Mercy"

Lee J. Afdahl



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us,



Christ, have mer - cy up - on us, Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

"Kyrie" used with permission by Lee J. Afdahl

The Assurance of God's Grace

One: Friends, believe the Good News.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

++Response Hymn 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

++Passing the Peace of Christ

One: Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

Ministry of Music

"Aria con variazioni"

Giovanni Battista Martini

Helen Hofmeister, Harpsichord

Blessings with Younger Disciples

(Children three years through fourth grade may finish their time of worship in the Worship Centers. Children's worship leaders or parents will shepherd them from the Sanctuary to their rooms. Parents may pick them up in their worship rooms following the service.)

Congregation: As you worship together, may God be with you.

Children: And also with you.

Congregation: Go in peace!

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

(We pray that the words of Scripture may be encountered as God's Word.)

Scripture

Mark 6:1-13

New Testament

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"What Do You Really Need?"

Rev. Lynette Sparks

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

++Affirmation of Faith (from The Confession of Belhar)

(We affirm our faith together to remind us who and whose we are.)

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects, and cares for the church by Word and Spirit, as God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

We believe that God has entrusted the church the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world; that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker; that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

Offering Our Lives

Offertory

"Finale" from Royal Fireworks Music

G. F. Handel

Helen Hofmeister, Organ

++Doxology (means "words of glory"—they are a traditional expression of praise to God.)

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

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

For those worshiping in the sanctuary, we are using pre-packaged communion elements with gluten-free bread and juice. If you didn't receive one before you entered the sanctuary, simply raise your hand, and an usher will bring you one. Children are welcome to participate in this sacrament. You may place the used packaging materials on the communion racks on the back of the pews, and then dispose of them in bins when you exit the sanctuary at the conclusion of the service.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

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 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.

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer of Response

O God, send us out from our Lord's table to answer his summons into new life and to follow him with joy and gladness. Set our feet in his holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life and all we do may show forth his love. Amen.

GOING OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

++Closing Hymn 340

"This Is My Song"

Finlandia

++Charge and Benediction

Closing Voluntary

"Variations on America"

Charles Ives

Helen Hofmeister, Organ

The Charge - Go into the world in peace. Have courage. Hold on to all that is good. Return no one evil for evil. Do justice. Walk with those who are fainthearted. Help those who suffer. Honor all people. Love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome to Westminster



WELCOME

If you have questions about the life of the church or becoming a member, please email Susan Jennings at susanj@wpcgr.org. More information about worship and updates from the church can be found at westminstergr.org. You are welcome and celebrated here!

ASSISTANCE

If you'd like a large-print bulletin or a hearing device, please ask one of the ushers at a sanctuary entrance. For T-loop hearing assistance, set your hearing aid to T.

CHILDREN

Children are welcome throughout the service! Ask an usher if you'd like special worship bags, folders, or children's bulletins to help your kids engage in worship. The nursery (babies through two-year-olds) and children's worship centers (for ages three through fourth grade) will be available during the service; children attending worship centers will be called to the front about fifteen minutes into the service, and children will wait for you at the end of the service in the Children's ministry hallway off of the Gathering Place. All attendants and teachers in the nursery and worship center will be masked and vaccinated. Virtual resources for children's worship can be found on our website and our YouTube channel.

DONATIONS



Donations can be made by scanning the QR code on this page, through our secure online giving site, by check sent to the church office, and through other forms. If you have questions about how to give to the church, please email kathrync@wpcgr.org or call 616-717-5533.

HELEN HOFMEISTER: SUMMER CARILLON RECITALS

These recitals are outdoor events and are free! Everyone is welcome!

- Thursday, July 8, 6:00 p.m. St. Hugo of the Hills, Bloomfield Hill, MI
- Friday, July 9, 6:00 p.m. Oakland University, Auburn Hills, MI
- Saturday, July 10, 7:00 p.m. Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills, MI
- Sunday, July 11, 9:35 a.m. Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills, MI
- Sunday, July 11, 4:00 p.m. Cranbrook Church, Bloomfield Hills, MI
- Tuesday, July 13, 6:30 p.m. Grosse Pointe Memorial Church, Grosse Pointe, MI
- Sunday, July 18, 5:00 p.m. University of Chicago; Rockefeller Chapel, Chicago, IL

AHEAD IN WORSHIP

In-Person and Livestreamed at 10:00 a.m.

July 11 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

"Sealed by the Spirit"

Rev. Lynette Sparks
Scripture: Ephesians 1:3-14
Music: Janlee Richter, Organ
Diane Helle, Violin

July 18 – Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

"When Good Intentions Aren't Enough"

Rev. Laurie Hartzell
Scripture: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a
Music: Janlee Richter, Organ;
Viviana Kloostra, Soprano

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

PreacherRev. Lynette Sparks, Senior Pastor
LiturgistsSusan Jennings, Minister for Membership and Pastoral Care
Minister of MusicHelen Hofmeister

Technology Team.....Dan Cisler
.....Rachel Kamstra
.....Stella Sheckler

SUMMER BOOKS FOR CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

This week: *My Footprints* by Bao Phi
Next week: *Watch Me* by Doyin Richards

Leader: Erin Molhoek

Every child feels different in some way, but Thuy (Twee) feels "double different." She is Vietnamese American and she has two moms. Thuy walks home one winter afternoon, angry and lonely after a bully's taunts. Then a bird catches her attention and sets Thuy on an imaginary exploration. What if she could fly away like a bird? What if she could sprint like a deer, or roar like a bear? Mimicking the footprints of each creature in the snow, she makes her way home to the arms of her moms. Together, the three of them imagine beautiful and powerful creatures who always have courage - just like Thuy.

Main Focus: God created us each uniquely special, and when we create together we become special together.

Activity: Make pictures using ink pads and fingerprints.



"Pilgrim bound by staff and faith, rest thy bones"
Wood sculpture, Harrietsham, England

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SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 4, 2021
10:00 A.M.