

Again, it will be like a man going on a
journey, who called his servants and
entrusted his wealth to them.

MATTHEW 25:14

24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2020 @ 10:00 am

Church of The Cross

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WELCOME ALL

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Rev Julie Peterson

Lift up your eyes to the Lord—the exalted one, who is enthroned in the heavens.

Seeking compassion, seeking grace, we look to the Lord, the giver of mercy.

Pour into God’s temple; drawn near to the king of creation.

We worship the Lord of heaven and earth!

OPENING HYMN

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

GTG #4

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you.

All on earth your scepter claim; all in heaven above adore you.

Infinite your vast domain, ever lasting is your reign.

**Hark! The glad celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord: “Holy, holy, holy Lord!”**

**All apostles join the strain as your sacred name they hallow;
prophets swell the glad refrain, and the blessed martyrs follow,
and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.**

**Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: three we name you,
while in essence only one; undivided God we claim you,
and adoring, bend the knee while we own the mystery.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Pat G.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹

Lord, you have made us stewards of your creation and commissioned us to carry out your work to the best of our ability. But we have not served you with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love. We withhold our gifts and live in fear. Have mercy upon us, we pray. Make us bold to use our talents for the sake of your kingdom, until you come in glory.

OUR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONDING TO GRACE

“Our God Is an Awesome God

GTG#616 (2x)

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the hymn "Our God Is an Awesome God". The first staff has a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 2/2 time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff with notes and rests. Above the staff, the lyrics are written: "Our God is an awe-some God who reigns from heav-en a-bove". Chord symbols C, G, D, and Em are placed above the staff. The second staff continues the melody with notes and rests. Above the staff, the lyrics are: "with wis - dom, power, and love; our God is an awe-some God!". Chord symbols C, G, Am, Em, B7, and Em are placed above the staff.

BOLD TEXT is read by the congregation.

SHARE GOD'S LOVE

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

“Jesus Loves Me”

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Judges 4:1-7

Pat G.

This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25:14-30

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SERMON

“Our Common Mission”

Rev. Julie Peterson

OFFER HOPE ...IN JESUS' NAME

PASSING THE PEACE

“Dona Nobis Pacem”

(Grant us Peace)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH²

based on Revelations 4:8, 11, 14:6, 22:17

Pat G.

We say together in faith Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, and is, and is to come. We believe in God the Father, who created all things: for by his will they were created and have their being. We believe in God the Son, who was slain: for with his blood, he purchased us for God, from every tribe and language, from every people and nation. We believe in God the Holy Spirit: the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!' Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

CHORAL OFFERING

“Be Still My Soul”

arranged by Lloyd Larson

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pat G.

CLOSING HYMN

“Take Thou, Our Minds, Dear Lord”

GTG #707

**Take thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray;
give us the mind of Christ each passing day;
teach us to know the truth that sets us free;
grant us in all our thoughts to honor thee.**

**Take thou our hearts, O Christ; they are thine own;
come thou within our souls and claim thy throne;
help us to shed abroad thy deathless love;
use us to make the earth like heaven above.**

**Take thou our wills, Most High! Hold thou full sway;
have in our inmost souls thy perfect way;
guard thou each sacred hour from selfish ease,
guide thou our ordered lives as thou dost please.**

**Take thou ourselves, O Lord, heart, mind, and will;
through our surrendered souls thy plans fulfill.
We yield ourselves to thee: time, talents, all;
we hear and henceforth heed, thy sovereign call.**

BENEDICTION

¹Call to Worship 53.1, © 2019 Office of Theology and Worship Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), pg 196

²New Patterns for Worship, and throughout Common Worship: <http://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-worship/worship/texts/newpatterns/contents/sectione.aspx>

Welcome All
Share God's Love
Offer Hope
... all in Jesus' name



DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

If you have a prayer request, please email or text Pastor Julie.

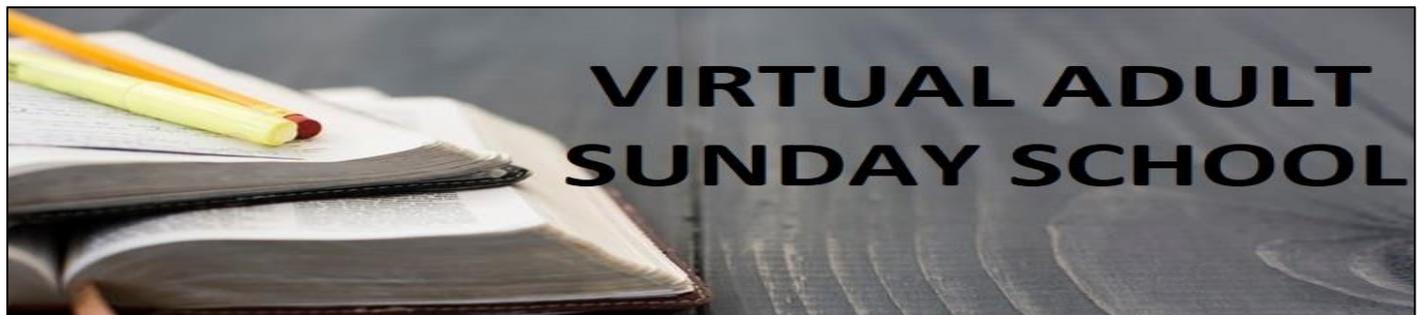
WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR...

Avonne (Laura's mother)
Pamela and family (daughter of Glenna and Hank)
Joyce A (friend of George R)
Linda A (sister of Judy M)
Connie & Ed (friends of Karen)
Kevin B (Joe L's co-worker/friend)
Mildred B
Mary Ann B
Sushma B
Amber C
Andree C
Chuck C (Laura D's brother)
Patrick C (Stu/Marie's son-in-law)
Renee C (Laura's sister-in-law)
Jim C (Mary Ann's son-in-law)
Tom C (Ann M's brother-in-law)
Carlson family
Betty D (Marie R's cousin)
Linda D (Jim/ Sue's relative)
Betty F (Chris L's mother)
Donna F (Jim/Sue's aunt)
Karen F
Lori F (friend of George Rogers)
Adelaide G
Bruce & Linda G (friends of Stu/Marie)
Nick G (Stu/Marie's grandson)
Rita H (Jim/Ann's relative)
William H (friend of Jeff/Julie)
James and Sandra (friends of John/Cheryl)
Jessica (Charlie/Nancy's niece)
Marge K (George R's OES friend)
Steve (Jane's brother)
Bob L (husband of Judie T's friend)
Jim/Sheryl L (Ken/Pat's son-in-law/daughter)
Phyllis L
McKenzie (daughter of Michelle V's friend)
Judy M
Klee M (Fritz/Fay's son)
Kofi M (Adelaide's family friend)
Lisa M (Karen's daughter)
Letty (Laura D's friend)
Rachel M (Rutter's granddaughter)
Steve M
Dick McW (Ann M's brother)
Noah (nephew of Adelaide's son-in-law)
Susan Q (Ann S's boss)
George R
Maria R (Laura D's friend)
Jessie R (Julie/Jeff's niece)
Ann & Geoff S
Marnie S (Glenna M's friend)
Shirley (Cathy W's aunt)
Larry V (Jim V's father)
April V (Chris V's cousin)
Those who grieve
Those who are caregivers
Those devastated by terrorism
Our world and all affected by COVID-19
Those affected by the devastating forest fires



Christmas Poinsettias Sale

Our Annual Poinsettia sale starts this week. The cost is \$15 per poinsettia and colors are: red (20 available), speckled (10 available) and white (6 available). Order online on our website. Checks can be mailed or dropped off in the mailbox at church.



VIRTUAL ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The group meets via Zoom on **Sundays at 11:30 am.**

Our study book is “The Color of Compromise. The Truth about the American Church’s Complicity in Racism” by Jemar Tisby. The book tells the story of how people of faith have historically - up to now - worked against racial Justice.

EVERYONE is invited to join the study—just let Pastor Julie know you are interested, and the Zoom info will be sent directly to you.



Book Club

Our next Book Club meeting will be on:

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 7 pm -- The Christmas Train by David Baldacci

Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 7 pm -- Brooklyn by Colm Toibin

If you want to be included, please email Judie at judietrue@gmail.com and she will send you a Zoom invitation.



Join us via Zoom every **Wednesday at 12 noon** for bible study as we discuss scripture passages for our upcoming worship service. Contact Pastor Julie for the Zoom access information to join the Bible Study.

November 18	Matthew 25:31-46; Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	November 22 ~ Christ the King
November 25	Mark 13:24-37; Isaiah 64:1-9	November 29 ~ 1 st Sunday of Advent
December 2	Mark 1:1-8; Isaiah 40:1-11	December 6 ~ 2 nd Sunday of Advent
December 9	John 1:6-8, 19-28; Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11	December 13 ~ 3 rd Sunday of Advent
December 16	Luke 1:26-38; Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26	December 20 ~ 4 th Sunday of Advent



Men's Bible Study will meet on November 18
 Meetings start at 7:00 pm.

Our current study is on the book *A Resilient Life*, by Gordon MacDonald. We meet via Zoom. We encourage new attendees, so if interested, please contact Ken G. or Stu R. for access details. If you do not have a copy of the book, *A Resilient Life*, consider ordering from Amazon.

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**Let us worship God
as the gathered and dispersed
Presbytery of Chicago**

In this time of loss and fear and unrest and division,
we will come together to give thanks to God
through liturgy, music, and discussion.

Four worship services: October 25, December 13, January 10, and March 14
Save the dates from 3-4:30 p.m. each Sunday afternoon.

- **October 25** - Service of Lament. The preacher will be the Rev. Denise Anderson, former co-moderator of the General Assembly and Coordinator of Racial and Intercultural Justice, PMA.
- **December 13** - Service of Advent. The preacher will be the Rev. Jimmie Hawkins, Director of the Washington Office, PCUSA.
- **January 10** More details to come.
- **March 14** More details to come.

All are welcome! Please see the *Presbytery Connect* newsletter for the Zoom registration link a few weeks before each event. If you are not on the newsletter mailing list, please contact dcobb@chicagopresbytery.org

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

**DROP OFF AT 1 ILLINOIS BLVD HOFFMAN ESTATES
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY FROM 9-1PM.**

FINANCIAL DONATIONS:

Monetary donations allow us to purchase goods based on the needs of our clients at wholesale prices and is the easiest way to meet the growing demand at this time. Checks can be mailed to the Township (Attn: Food Pantry) and should be made out to the Township of Schaumburg with Food Pantry in the memo section. Donations can also be made online through our website schaumburgtownship.org. Please remember to signify the donation should be made to the Food Pantry.

FOOD DONATIONS:

- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Pasta and Pasta Sauce
- Soup
- Oatmeal and Cereal
- Canned Meats (tuna fish, chicken, ham, Spam)
- Canned Fruit (peaches, pears, mandarin oranges)
- Canned Pasta Meals
- Beef Stew, Chili, Pork n Beans
- Canned or Boxed Potatoes
- Canned or Dry Beans
- Tomato Products
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Hamburger Helper
- Pasta Roni
- Rice A Roni
- Toilet Paper and Paper Towels



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