



Ordination/Installation Sunday

January 30, 2022 @ 10:00 am

Church of The Cross

475 West Higgins Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

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WELCOME ALL

PRELUDE “Adagio Cantabile from Sonata Op. 13” *by Ludwig van Beethoven* Robert K.

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Rev. Julie Peterson

Thank you, God, for gathering us.

Remind us again of your love.

**The good news of the gospel is this:
the God of all creation came to dwell among us,
but we crucified this revelation of sacrificial love.**

God went to the depths of hell to gather us all.

In Christ's resurrection we are drawn again to the presence of God.

This is good news for all who hear.

OPENING HYMN

“O Beauty Ever Ancient”

GTG #650

CALL TO CONFESSION

Stu T.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹

Generous God, when we set our tables, we imagine who belongs. We are satisfied to welcome those who we call our own. Our boundaries are drawn for our own family, our own congregation, our own neighborhood. We limit the seating to those who make us comfortable, and lay out the welcome mat for those who we choose to welcome. But your kingdom has no boundary. Before our birth you have known, loved, and claimed each and every one. Soften our hearts to those we rage against. Restore us to your vision of who belongs at the table. Renew us with your abundant mercy and love, which know no end. May it be so.

OUR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Julie Peterson

RESPONSE OF JOY

“Jesus Loves Me”

SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Stu T.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:21-30

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

OFFER HOPE ...IN JESUS' NAME

PASSING THE PEACE

“Dona Nobis Pacem”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

1 Corinthians 13

Stu T.

This we believe... If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face.

Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

CHORAL OFFERTORY

“Sometimes Alleluia”

by Chuck Girard

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Stu T.

CLOSING HYMN

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

GTG #726

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come" by Johann Gottfried Walther Robert K.

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CONGREGATION MEETING

Join us TODAY, January 30th on Zoom *after* the Postlude to hold our Ordination and Installation of new officers AND for our Annual Congregation Meeting.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Elders: Charlie Keppel, Sue Liautaud, Ken Groenewold, Stu Truelsen

Deacons: Nancy Keppel, Suzanne Letterer, Lois McPherson, Jeff Peterson

We thank God for our unity in diversity.

There are different kinds of gifts:

but the same Spirit.

There are different kinds of service:

but the same Lord.

There are different kinds of working:

but the same God. Praise to God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who works in us in all these ways. Amen.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

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.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? **I do.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love? **I will, with God's help.**

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I 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 was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I 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. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal and gracious God ... Amen.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

To the Candidates

To the Congregation

Do we, members of our Lord's church, accept Ruling Elders *Charlie Keppel, Sue Liautaud, Ken Groenewold, Stu Truelsen*, and Deacons *Nancy Keppel, Suzanne Letterer, Lois McPherson, and Jeff Peterson* as chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

ORDINATION PRAYER & LAYING ON OF HANDS

INSTALLATION PRAYER

... the congregation will join the pastoral prayer when invited by the Clerk of Session... Let us all now pray together...

Gracious God, pour out your Spirit of power and truth upon the whole church that we may be for you a holy people, baptized to serve you in the world. Sustain this congregation in ministry. Ground us in the gospel, secure our hope in Christ, strengthen our service to the outcast, and increase our love for one another. Show us the transforming power of your grace in our life together, that we may be servants of the gospel, offering a compelling witness in the world to the good news of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION CHARGE AND WELCOME



Prayer REQUESTS

Linda A (sister of Judy M)
Steve A (father-in-law of Glenna's daughter)
Connie & Ed (friends of Karen)
Beth B (Stu R's sister)
Kevin B (Joe L's co-worker/friend)
Mildred B
Mary Ann B
Susan B
Andree C
Carl/Til (John/Cheryl's friends)
Connie (Karen F's friend)
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)
Sabina C (Adelaide's sister-in-law)
Betty D (Marie R's cousin)
Cecily (Laura D)
Linda D (Jim/ Sue's relative)
Betty F (Chris L's mother)
Abby F (Chris/Mike's granddaughter)
Donna F (Jim/Sue's aunt)
Karen F
Geri & (Son/wife) Brian/Kim
(Adelaide's neighbors)
Adelaide G
Bruce & Linda G (friends of Stu/Marie)
Nick G (Stu/Marie's grandson)

Rita H (Jim/Ann's relative)
Jack H (friend of Mike/ Chris L)
James & Sandra (friends of John/Cheryl)
Jessica (Charlie/Nancy's niece)
Pam L
Phyllis L
Bob L (friend of Judy T)
Luca (Ann S's grandson)
Albion M, Sr (Adelaide's friend)
Ms Bernie & Ernie M (friends of Adelaide)
Crisann M (friend of Mike/Chris L)
Judy M
Lisa M (Karen's daughter)
Steve M
Matt / family & an employee
(friends of Cheryl and John)
George R
Tom R (Sue Li.'s brother)
Ann & Geoff S
Tom T (Chris L's brother-in-law)
Larry V (Jim V's father)
Carter W (Dave W's grandson)
Yao (Adelaide's friend)

Caregivers
People devastated by terrorism
Our world and all affected by COVID-19
Families who grieve losses
• **Bob Lannard** (Judie' friend)

ZOOM BOOK CLUB SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 @ 7pm:

“The Way of Beauty”

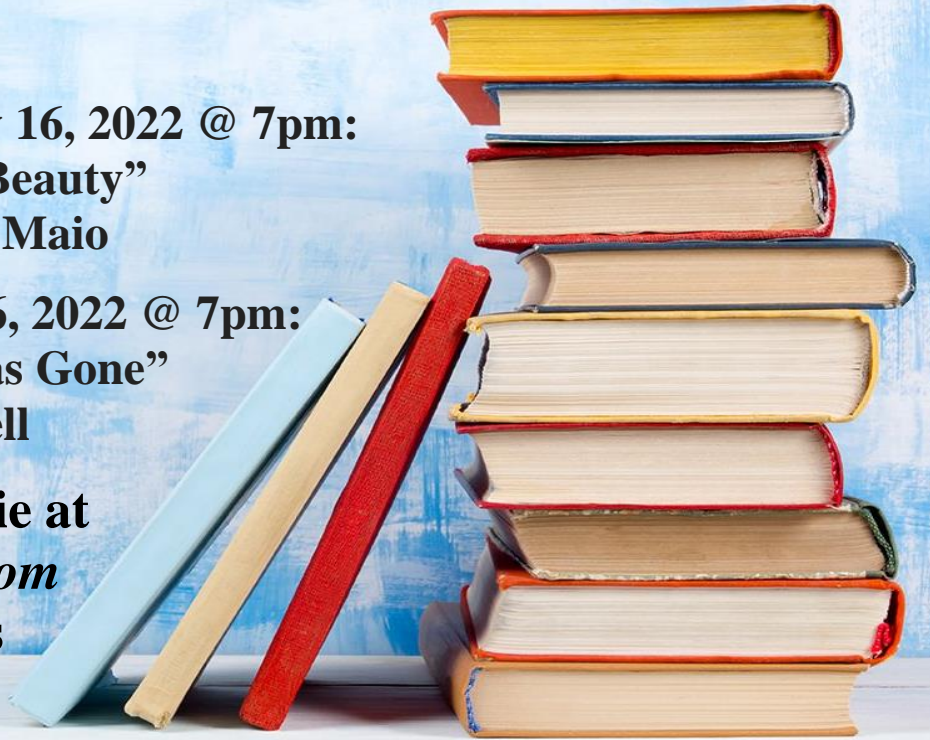
by Caille De Maio

Wednesday, March 16, 2022 @ 7pm:

“Then She Was Gone”

by Lisa Jewell

Please email Judie at
judietrue@gmail.com
for Zoom details



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

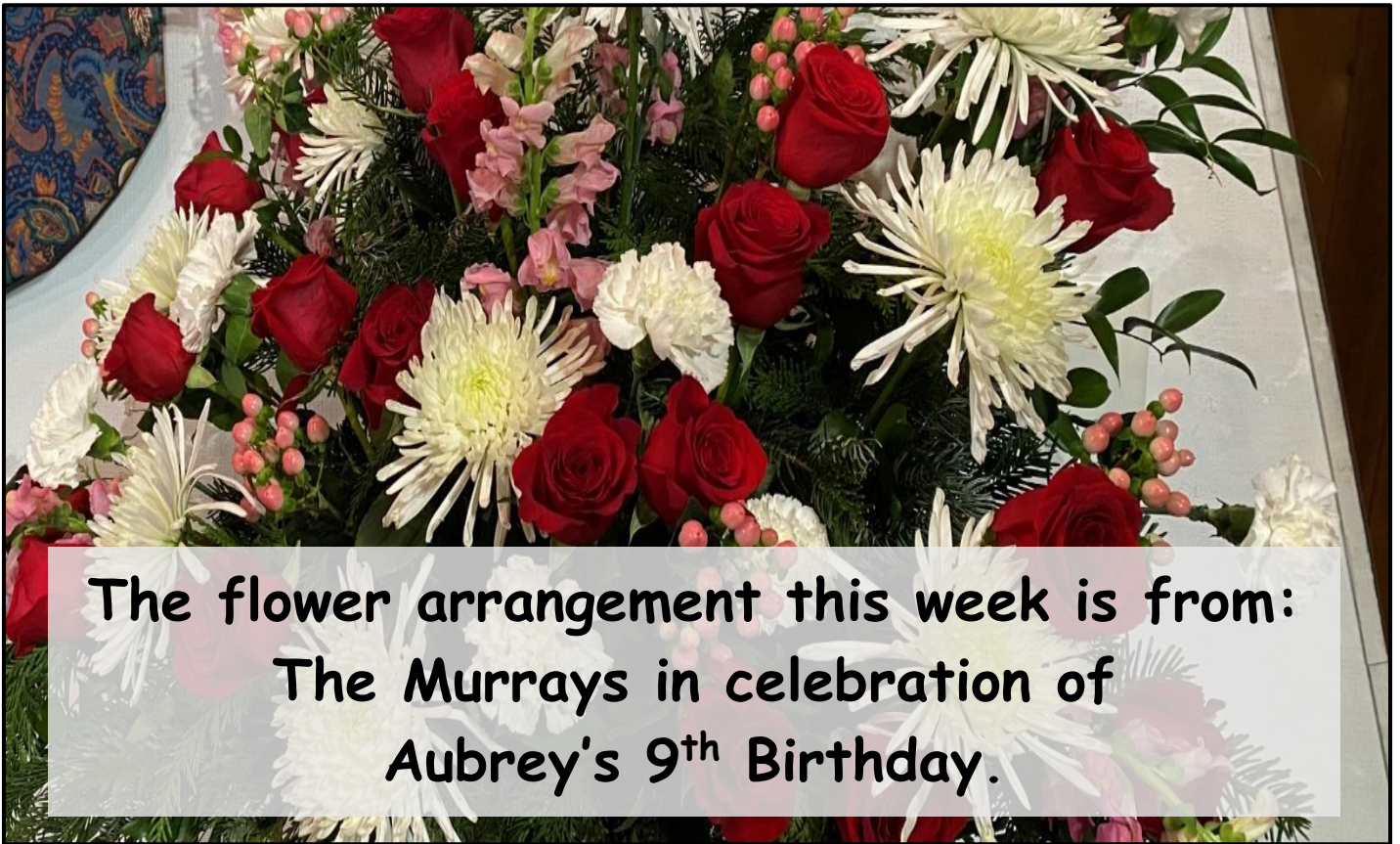
The group meets via Zoom on Sundays at 12 noon.

We are currently studying “Tattoos on the Heart”

By Gregory Boyle

Everyone is invited to join the study!


Please Contact Ken G. for the Zoom login details.



The flower arrangement this week is from:
The Murrays in celebration of
Aubrey's 9th Birthday.

LUNCH WITH PASTOR JULIE

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



February 2	Luke 5:1-11; Isaiah 6:1-13
February 9	Luke 6:17-26; Jeremiah 17:5-10
February 16	Luke 6:27-38; Genesis 45:3-15

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Laura De La Cruz
Cathy Walker

Elders, Class of 2024

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Charlie Keppel
Sue Liautaud

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Deacons, Class of 2022

Chris Lorentz
Lois McPherson
Glenna Morgan

Deacons, Class of 2023

Naana Grant-Acquah
Fay Michaelis

Deacons, Class of 2024

Nancy Keppel
Sue Letterer
Jeff Peterson

Corporation Officers

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Hank Morgan Member at large