

Service for the Lord's Day

February 23, 2014
Seventh Sunday after Epiphany



We Gather Together

**Those who are able may stand.*



As we gather together and prepare our hearts for worship, take a moment to Check In on Facebook or Foursquare, and let your friends know what you're up to this morning.



This is one of the easiest ways to share about WPC with others online. A sample post might be: "At Winnetka Presbyterian Church this morning for our Social Media Sunday. We're exploring connections between worship and technology. #wpcworship" Be sure and use the hashtag for today's Social Media Sunday: #wpcworship

Prelude

Amazing Grace

Greeting

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Silent Reflection

As the bell rings, we pause for a moment to quietly prepare our hearts for worship.

We Enter Into God's Presence

*Opening Dialogue

Psalm 51:15

The congregation stands when we sing "and we shall declare..."



Cantor: O Lord, o - pen our lips: *Congregation:* and we shall de - clare,
we shall de - clare, we shall de - clare your praise.

*Opening Hymn 610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*Morning Prayer of Thanksgiving (responsively)

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.

We praise and worship you, Living God:

you who makes streams flow from rock,

who turns the parched earth into springs of water,

who sends the rain from heaven

and who makes the wilderness blossom and flourish.

As the deer thirsts for flowing streams,

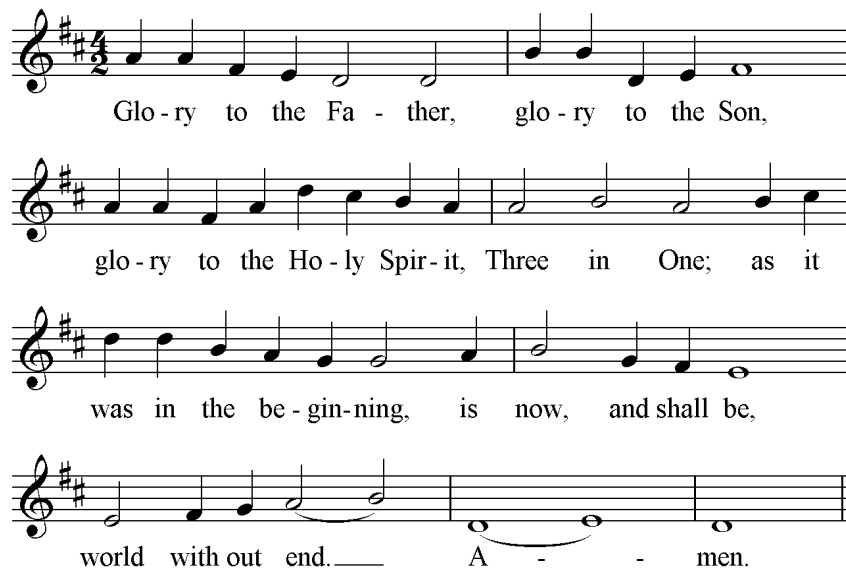
so we thirst for you, O God.

Come, let us worship our life-giving God,

who pours out living water on all who thirst.

***Response**

Gloria Patri



Glo-ry to the Fa - ther, glo - ry to the Son,
glo - ry to the Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One; as it
was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and shall be,
world with out end. — A - - men.

Call to Confession

Confession of Sin (unison)

**Lord of Life, we come today seeking fullness;
not the fullness our world offers,
but the fullness that comes only from you.
We confess that we spend so much of our lives on things that do not count -
things that promise much and give little.
Help us now - today - to find fulfillment in your love.
Lift us, O God, to a higher plane of living,
as we lift our hearts and minds and souls into your holy presence.**

Silence is kept for personal reflection.

Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response

Listen, God is Calling

(Lis - ten) Lis - ten, God is cal - ling, through the Word in - vi - ting,
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort and joy.

The musical score is written in 2/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The second system also has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are placed below the vocal lines.

We Receive God's Word



As we prepare to hear God's word read and proclaimed this morning, we invite you to actively engage with David's sermon online. You can post interesting things you hear, or questions you have. This is a way of continuing the conversation online. Again, please use the #wpcworship hashtag, so that we can collate all of the responses after the service.

Prayer for Illumination

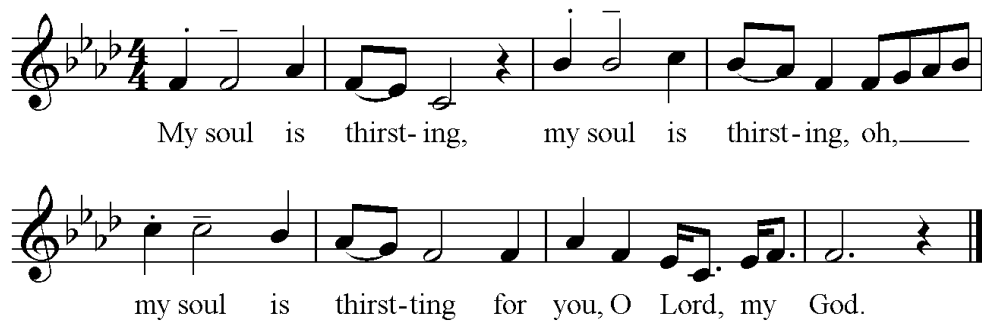
Hebrew Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55:1-3
(p. 685, OT)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 63

The cantor sings the refrain once; all repeat



My soul is thirst-ing, my soul is thirst-ing, oh,——
my soul is thirst-ting for you, O Lord, my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory, for your kindness is a greater good than life; my lips will glorify you.

Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name. As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied, and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

You are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy. My soul clings fast to you; your right hand upholds me.

Gospel Reading

John 6:35-59
(p. 98, NT)

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Moment for the Young

*Following the Moment for the Young, K-6 may leave for their class.
Child care for preschoolers and under is available in the "Little Lambs" room (104).
Pick up children at 11:10am following coffee and fellowship.*

Sermon

Where Does Living Water Come From?
Rev. David Lower

We Respond to God's Word



During our Prayers of the People this morning, you will be invited to pray for specific people and places around the world. After each invitation, please consider posting on Facebook or Twitter your prayer for each, including the #wpcworship hashtag, during the time provided. If you have a specific prayer you'd like included in our Community Prayer, please text it to Adam at 609-933-4000.

***Song of Response 174**

Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom

Prayers of the People

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.
Or The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise:

When I call, an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer. O
all my hope comes from God. The Lord is my song; the

Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me.
Lord is my praise: God, the well-spring of life.

Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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.**

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

***Song of Fellowship**

Peace, Salaam, Shalom

Peace, Sa - laam, Sha - lom. Peace, Sa - laam, Sha - lom.
Peace, Sa - laam, Sha - lom. Peace, Sa - laam, Sha - lom.

Our Life Together

Moment for Stephen Ministry

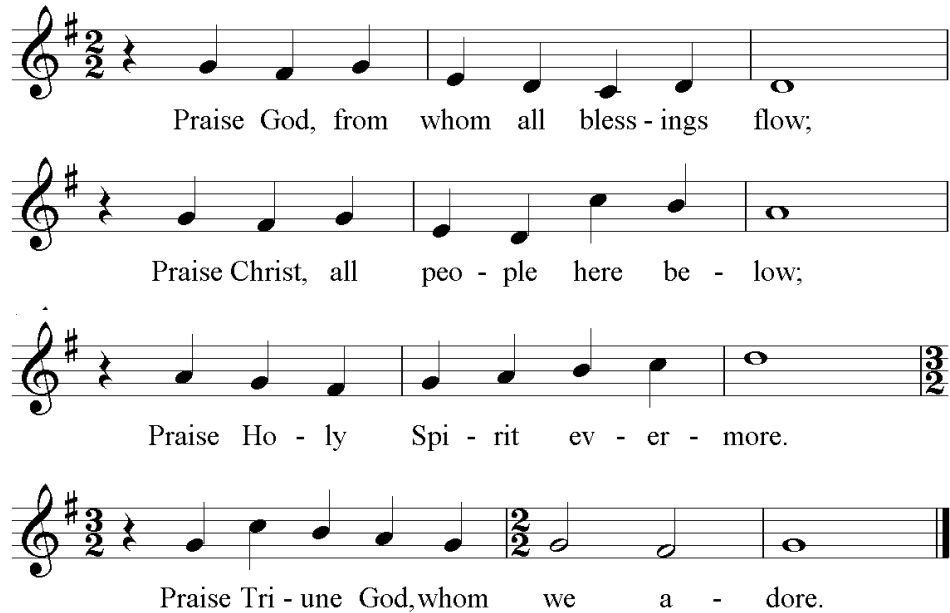
Linda Black

Offertory

Choral Anthem
Psalm 42: As Longs the Deer

As longs the deer for cooling streams, when heated in the chase, so longs my soul, O God to thee, and thy refreshing grace. For thee, my God, the living God, my thirsty soul doth pine; Oh, when shall I behold thy face, thy majesty divine. Why restless, why cast down, my soul? Hope still; and thou shall sing the praise of him who is thy God, thy health's eternal spring. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to God whom we adore, be glory as it was, is now, and shall be evermore. Amen.

***Doxology**



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow;

Praise Christ, all peo - ple here be - low;

Praise Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

Praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**Holy God,
we offer you these gifts with thanks,
so that together we may plant and water the seeds of your new creation.
May we be your faithful servants,
sharing the abundance we have received
with our thirsty community and world.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.**

We Go Forth to Serve



As we prepare to go out from this place and serve the world, let us not forget the good work of worship that we did this morning. Before you leave the sanctuary this morning, we encourage you to write what your big takeaway from today's service was in 140 characters or less (140 characters is the maximum number of characters allowed in a "tweet"). Once you've come up with your takeaway, please share it on Facebook or Twitter (with today's hashtag #wpcworship).

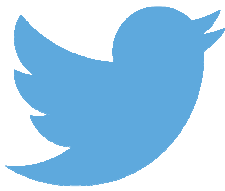
***Closing Hymn 315** (verses 1,3,4)

In the Midst of New Dimensions

***Charge and Blessing**

***Organ Recessional**

Offline Twitter



For those who don't have a Twitter account yet, you can still contribute your 140-character takeaway from worship today. Below are 140 spaces for you to write in your tweet; you can give it to Adam on your way out of the service if you would like to share it - and if you want, he can tweet it for you.

Please tweet my worship takeaway for me.

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Serving Today

Worship Leaders: David Lower, Adam Walker Cleaveland, Geoff Duffy
 Ushers: Bob Armajani, Rebeca Massey, Rich Blanck, Chuck Blomberg, Ilse Wilnewic
 Greeters: Will and Peter Delva
 Lector: ???

Welcome to worship this morning! May you find God's love, hope, and peace during this service.
 Following worship, please join us in the atrium for refreshments and continued fellowship.

*Flowers this week are donated by
 Kevin and Lynne Frid....Giving God Glory and Honor for His Great Faithfulness.*

This Week at Winnetka Presbyterian Church

Sun, Feb 23	8:45am-11:15am Childcare for children through pre-K 8:45am Choir Rehearsal 9:45am Worship & Children's Sunday School <i>Sacrament Class</i> 10:55am Fellowship 11:05am Youth Sunday School 11:10am Animate:Bible 12:00pm Youth Lounge Cleanup	Nursery Sanctuary Sanctuary Atrium Youth Rooms Youth Lounge
Mon, Feb 24		
Tues, Feb 25	10:00am Staff Meeting 7:30pm AA Meeting	Conf. Room B Conf. Room B
Wed, Feb 26	9:30am Women's Bible Study 9:30am Naomi's Circle	Conf. Room B Atrium
Thurs, Feb 27	7:30pm Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
Fri, Feb 28	8:00pm AA Meeting Junior High Lock-In	Narthex
Sat, Mar 1	8:00am Men's Group 6:00pm Dinner for 80	Conf. Room B
Sun, Mar 2	8:45am & 11:15am Pancake Breakfast 8:45am-11:15am Childcare for children through pre-K 8:45am Choir Rehearsal 9:45am Worship & Children's Sunday School 10:55am Fellowship 11:05am Youth Sunday School	Nursery Sanctuary Sanctuary Atrium Youth Rooms

Announcements

LIFE IN COMMUNITY

Women's Retreat 2014 beckons you to a time of fellowship and renewal of spirit and body. Speakers Kathy McNair and Marj Steiner will lead a program sure to calm your whirl-weary soul. The retreat will be held on March 14-16 at Eaglewood Resort & Spa in Itasca, IL. Register on the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmette website at www.fpc-wilmette.org. Questions? Email Carol Fessler at cafessler@aol.com.

Dinner for 80 is this Saturday, March 1. We'll meet at WPC at 6pm for drinks and appetizers, then adjourn to host houses for dinner in groups of eight. You won't know where you'll be dining until that evening!

Flowers for Worship are given each week by members of our congregation in memory or in honor of loved ones. After worship, our "flower deacons", headed up by Bill McNair, take the large arrangement and make it into several smaller ones to be distributed to people in our congregation who are not able to attend to worship. We are always in need of more people to donate the flowers each week. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet for flower donations on the bulletin board outside the church office. The donation is \$65.

ADULET EDUCATION

From House Churches to Hierarchy: What was Christianity like before the New Testament? How did Christ's Church come to be? These and other questions about our origins will be addressed in Dr. Jim Papandrea's upcoming course "From House Churches to Hierarchy: The Story of Early Christianity" at WPC. Topics will include: The Church Before the Bible, Early Christian Symbols, Sacraments in the Early Church, The Church Defines Itself, The Trinity and the Creed. Dr. Papandrea is a fan favorite at Garrett Seminary, so come enjoy his wonderful teaching! Course Details: 6 Sundays, March 2-April 13 (except April 6), 4pm-5:30pm, \$100 per participant (scholarships available upon request), child care available.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Art Teacher Needed for grades 3 & 4th on March 9th. You can also pick up your lesson in the CE Resource Room today! March 23: Storytelling for grades 3-& 4th packet will be available for teachers today.

YOUTH

Youth Lounge Cleanup Today at 12pm, after church and Sunday School, we will be getting some pizza and asking that youth stick around to help us go through the Youth Lounge, do some cleaning up, organizing, and planning on how to really take some ownership of the space. With a good group of youth there, we can probably do all that we want to do in just a few hours. Please plan on attending this event to help get our Youth Lounge in better shape. And if everyone could bring a couple bucks for pizza, that'd be helpful.

Pancake Breakfast: Next Sunday, March 2 is our annual pancake breakfast fundraiser. We will be having tickets for sale after worship today, but you can also buy them at the door. You can come to eat pancakes at 8:45am before worship or stay after worship for pancakes as well.

Silent Auction Items Needed: We will be having a WPC Silent Auction on Sunday, May 4, and this will raise a considerable amount of money for the Cuba mission trip and the church. This will be an event that you don't want to miss, filled with amazing silent auction items, raffle items you won't want to miss, and good food. We are now in the process of collecting items for the silent auction. If you would be willing to donate something (sports tickets, weeks at vacation homes, babysitting, a special experience or service, food, original artwork or crafts), please contact Kitty Curran (kittycurran@comcast.net) and let her know. We also have the list from 2012, so if we don't hear from you, someone from the Silent Auction Planning Group will be contacting you in the next week or two.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Sing With the Choir for Lent and Easter. The holiest season of our church year is less than two weeks away. It's not too late to join the choir and sing with us during this special time of year. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7:30-9:30pm.

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, is Wednesday, March 5. Soup supper will be at 6:00pm, followed by a special worship service at 7:00pm. Come and begin the "Journey to the Cross" with your WPC family.

Alternative Worship Service: To create a new worshipping opportunity during Lent, Adam will be working with a group of interested people to craft an alternative worship experience. This will be an interactive, participatory and experiential service. If you are interested in helping be a part of this service, and if you have gifts and skills in worship design and creating sacred spaces, please be in touch with Adam.

NEW CLASS OPPORTUNITY!

***From House Churches
to Hierarchy:
The Story of Early Christianity***

Dr. Jim Papandrea
Associate Professor of Early Christianity
Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary



Sundays from 3/2 to 4/13 (except 4/6)
4 to 5:30pm
Winnetka Presbyterian Church
1255 Willow Road

\$100 per participant
Plus course book, available at first class
Child care available

Topics include:
The Church Before the Bible, Early Christian Symbols, Sacraments in the Early Church, The Church Defines Itself, The Trinity and the Creed

Sign up in advance, or at the first class!

Name(s): _____

Church: _____

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Questions? Contact Rev. David Lower, david@winnpres.org, 847-446-7777 x20.

Give Up NOT Reading the Gospels for Lent!

Read the Gospels in Lent with *Winnetka Presbyterian Church*

Lent is typically a season for giving up something...there are many good reasons to do that, and this year, we want to encourage you to give up **NOT** reading the Gospels. Within the four Gospels, we have four unique portraits of Jesus' birth, life, ministry, and eventually, his journey to the cross. During Lent this year, we will read two to three chapters a day, starting with Matthew (followed by Mark, Luke and finally, John), as we prayerfully seek to follow the life of Jesus the Christ.

We will have Sunday morning studies of each gospel, which will allow us to have rich conversations about the reading we've done.

If you subscribe to the daily email, you will receive:

- that day's Scripture reading
- a relevant devotion
- other supporting articles

Look for a SignUp Genius link in the next weekly email, and then sign up to receive your daily Lent readings!





Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, March 5
6:00 pm Soup Supper
7:00 pm Worship with Imposition of Ashes

Throughout Lent

Stations of the Cross Exhibit
Interact with stations of the cross created by WPC artists

Wednesday Worship

Wednesday, March 19 @ 7:00 pm
Psalms and Songs of Lament, featuring Brenda Turner

Wednesday, April 2 @ 7:00 pm
Experimental/Interactive Worship, led by Pastor Adam

Holy Week

April 13-April 20

Palm Sunday
April 13 @ 9:45 am

Maundy Thursday
April 17 @ 6:30 pm

Good Friday
April 18 @ 12 noon and 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday
April 20 @ 9:00 and 11:00 am

JOURNEY TO THE
CROSS
Lent 2014



Welcome! May you find God's love, hope, and peace during this service. Please do not feel obliged to contribute to the offering. You are invited to join in the atrium for refreshments and fellowship after the service.

Connect with WPC online. You can "like" WPC on Facebook (fb.com/WinnetkaPres) and follow on Twitter (@WinnetkaPres) and Instagram (WinnetkaPres). We also encourage you to "check in" on Facebook or Foursquare and let your friends know you are worshipping here today.

If you are interested in becoming a member of WPC, please contact Rev. David Lower.

Children are welcome in worship at WPC. Worship packets are available for children ages 3 - 12. Childcare is provided all morning for toddlers in Noah's Ark (room 101) and infants in Little Lambs (room 102) and pre-K in Whales Tales. Parents are welcome to use the nursery rocking chairs and changing facilities.

Following the Moment with the Young, children K - grade 6 head to Sunday School. Parents pick up children at 11:10am. No child is released to a sibling. Nursery care for infants, toddlers & pre-K is also available from 8:45am to 11:15am. On the 1st Sunday of each month, grades 3-6 remain in worship for communion.

If you have a prayer request, please let us know by filling out the card in the pew and/or writing your request in our community prayer book located outside the doors of the sanctuary.

Faith in Action For information on how you may become involved in serving and seeking justice in our community and beyond, please call Rev. David Lower.

If you are in need of pastoral care please contact Rev. David Lower or Rev. Diann Santschi to let us know of any hospitalization, illness, death, or other need.

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