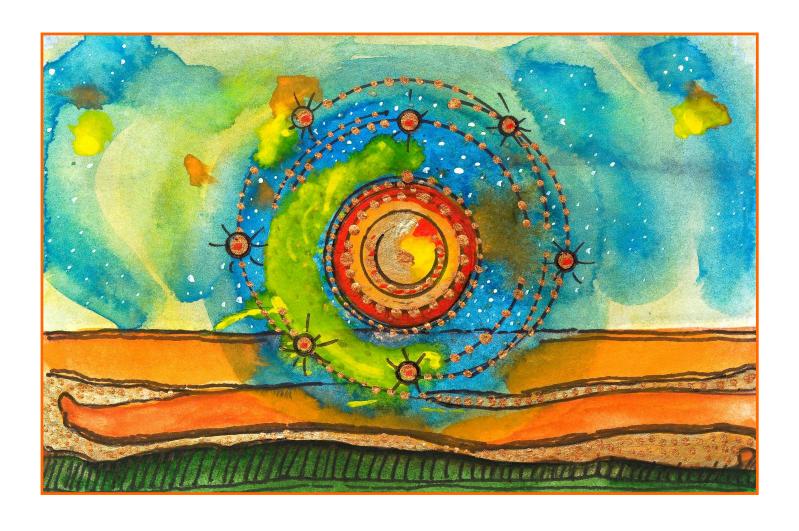
KIRK IN THE HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 18, 2024







THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

9:00 a.m., Outdoor Worship

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Edwin Estevez

Our God calls us.

Our God calls us to follow Jesus Christ.

Our God calls us to live fully and faithfully.

Our God calls us to love and serve.

Our God calls us to worship in the name of the Lord.

Let us praise God with all our heart, Soul, mind and strength!

* **HYMN 634** (see pages 2 & 3)

To God Be the Glory

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,
you love us, but we do not love you fully.
You call, but we do not always listen.
Too often, we are wrapped up in our concerns.
God of grace, help us to admit our sin,
so that as you move toward us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you,
and receive forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.
Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Kyrie Merbecke



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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear this good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

That proves God's love for us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

To God be the glory!

Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI Glory be to the Father,

Greatorex (Hymn 581)

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.

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Philip J. Reed

WORD WITH THE CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sarah Ford

Children are encouraged to remain in the garden to worship with their families. Children's bulletins are available at the garden entrance.

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.

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Edwin Estevez

WORD

SOLO Gaelic Blessing

Gwyneth Walker

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SCRIPTURE READING

Elder Carole Pearl

Genesis 12:1-5(*OT page 10*)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Why I Love Being a Presbyterian 2: Presbyterians Are Called!

Rev. Dr. Philip J. Reed

SENDING

* **HYMN 65** (see page 6)

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION (seated)

VOLUNTARY

Garden worshippers are encouraged to drop off donations in the baskets located at the Celtic Cross near ramp or at the door to the cloister as you exit to the front patio as you depart. Please see notes on page 11.

Join us for coffee and fellowship on the patio immediately following service!



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11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

OPENING VOLUNTARY Lied

Louis Vierne

* Please rise in body or spirit at the ringing of the tower bell.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rev. Dr. Philip J. Reed, Rev. Edwin Estevez & Elder Camille Breen

Evelyn Deborah Lewis

PRESENTATION

BAPTISMAL HYMN 482 Baptized in Water (verse 3)

Bunessan

(seated)

Baptized in water, sealed by the spirit, Marked with the sign of Christ our King; Born of the Spirit, we are God's children; Joyfully now God's praises we sing.

THE SACRAMENT OF ADULT BAPTISM

Meghan Marielle Lopez

ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS

Gerald Fischer, Abhilash Jalli, Melissa Kewley, Rick Kewley, Mario Alberto Lopez, Meghan Marielle Lopez, John Miller, Marcia Miller, Gary Scheiwe, Sue Scheiwe, Susan Wheatley

PRAYER FOR NEWLY ADMITTED MEMBERS

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.

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SERMON Why I Love Being a Presbyterian 2: Presbyterians are Called!

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* HYMN 49 The God of Abraham Praise Leoni

THANKSGIVING

CALL TO OFFERING AND DEDICATION

Our giving is an offering to God. All offerings are part of our worship of God and are used to support the Kirk's ministry. Text "KITH" to 73256 to give using your mobile device.

OFFERTORY Faith, Hope, and Love J. S. Bach/M. Biery, text

Faith, hope, and love, in these abiding, my heart and soul shall sing with joy. Love never ends, in truth rejoices.

It bears all thigs,

endures through all things,

the bond which nothing can destroy. faith, hope, and love, in these abiding, my heart and soul shall sing with joy.

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606) Old Hundredth

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SENDING

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION (seated)

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Cortège Louis Vierne

WORSHIP NOTES

INFORMATION ON TODAY'S SERVICES

Music Notes

Come sing in the choirs! We are looking for members for all the choirs at the Kirk starting in the fall. For information on the children and youth choirs, contact Bobby DeLisle at bdelisle@kirkinthehills.org (St. Cecilia and Cantamus choirs). If you have a younger chorister, contact Carol Beth Litkouhi for the Young Children's Choir at cblitkouhi@kirkinthehills.org. Registration for these choirs is now available on the website, as is information on all three groups.

The Kirk Chancel Choir would love to welcome you to sing with us. We recognize that a year-round commitment may not fall into everyone's schedule, so please consider joining for a portion of the year, like Advent/ Christmas or Lent/Easter. The Kirk Chancel Choir seeks to provide meaningful music for worship, with the goal of leading us all to a more profound "Amen." We love to sing, we love to laugh, we love to work hard, we love to learn new music, we love to reconnect with classics and most of all, we love to welcome new people! For more information, contact Marilyn Biery, Director of Music Ministry at mbiery@kirkinthehills.org, or come up to the organ to chat with her after the closing voluntary.

From the University of Oxford: "The physiological benefits of singing, and music more generally, have long been explored. Music making exercises the brain as well as the body, but singing is particularly beneficial for improving breathing, posture and muscle tension. Listening to and participating in music has been shown to be effective in pain relief, too, probably due to the release of neurochemicals such as β -endorphin (a natural painkiller responsible for the "high" experienced after intense exercise). Singing has also been shown to improve our sense of happiness and wellbeing." Want to feel great? Join one of the Kirk Choirs!

Musicians: Daniel Paradowski, baritone; David Enos, organist

Stephen Ministers are available for personal, confidential prayer in the Garden after the 9:00 a.m. outdoor worship and in Melrose Chapel immediately following each service Sunday. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer please contact Nancy Lau at 248-835-6691. If you are interested in being connected with a Stephen Minister, please call Robin Brinks at 248-310-2034.



Tour Kirk in the Hills each Sunday! Those interested in a brief tour are asked to meet in the Baptistry, to the right of the Chancel, after the 11:00 a.m. service. See an usher for direction or further details.

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Meet Our Membership Coordinator! Stop by the Visitor's Table in the Narthex after service to say hello to our new Membership Coordinator, Mercy Adams. If this is your first visit to the Kirk, Mercy would love to meet you and answer all your questions about being a member. If you're interested, she can sign you up for one of our upcoming New Member Classes.

Why I Love Being a Presbyterian (at the Kirk!) - a four-part Sermon Series by Rev Philip J. Reed (August 11, 18, 25 and September 1): Christianity in North America is mostly generic. There is a progressive left and a conservative right. Presbyterians are unique and distinctive

and offer a dynamic and exciting alternative to generic Christianity. This series is a biased and unapologetic exploration of the genius of being a Presbyterian.



We envision a world where every heart experiences God's transforming love.



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