

CHIMING THE HOUR

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

\* PASSING THE PEACE (Responsive)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### WE GATHER

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Improvisation on "O Beautiful, for Spacious Skies"

Charles Callahan

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

We come to worship our God, who has done wonders in our lives.

**God anoints us with joy and light, gifts from the treasures of God's heart.**

We come to follow Jesus, who bears our lives with grace and hope.

**Jesus would send us into the brokenness of the world to bring healing.**

We come to be touched by the Spirit, who brings gentleness and peace for all.

**The Spirit would enable us to offer reconciliation and justice to everyone we meet.**

\* HYMN 361

*How Firm a Foundation*

\* INVITATION TO PRAYER

\* PRAYER FOR WHOLENESS (Unison)

**Of course, we will do everything you ask, Faithfulness of creation, even as we cross our souls behind our backs. Yes, we could go where people are suffering, but we like the comfort of our homes. Yes, we could be with others as they seek to endure life, but compassion is often hard to share. Yes, we could offer hope to the hungry and homeless, but we barely have enough for ourselves.**

**Forgive us, Steadfast Love, and have mercy on us. Remind us that it was when we were most foolish, that you became fallible; it was when we were vile, that you became so vulnerable; when the world would not welcome us, that Jesus came – to listen to our emptiness, to comfort our grieving hearts, and to cast out death’s power over us .**

(Silent prayers)

\* ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE 104 verse 2

*Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

**Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.  
Walk with gladness in the morning. See what love can do and dare.  
Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend.  
Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.**

**WE LISTEN**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children are invited forward

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 19:3-6

Isaiah 43:1-7

MEDITATION

\* HYMN 563

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

## WE RESPOND

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM

*Psalm 121*

John Ness Beck

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow with Alleluias*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE & 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 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.**

## WE DEPART

\* HYMN (on next page)  
*Countryside*

*Where Armies Scourge the*

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

arr. Paul Manz

# 344 Where Armies Scourge the Countryside Bring Peace to Earth Again

Capo 5: (Am) (Dm) (Am)  
Dm Gm Dm

1 Where ar - mies scourge the coun - try - side, and  
2 Where an - ger fes - ters in the heart, and  
3 Where homes are torn by bit - ter strife, and  
4 O God, whose heart com - pas - sion - ate bears

(F) (Dm) (Em) (Am) (B $\flat$ )  
B $\flat$  Gm Am Dm E $\flat$

peo - ple flee in fear, where si - rens scream through  
strikes with cru - el hand; where vio - lence stalks the  
love dis - solves in blame; where walls you meant for  
ev - ery hu - man pain, re - deem this vio - lent,

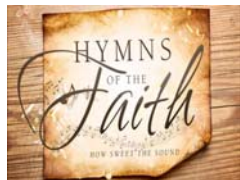
(E) (Am) (F) (E)  
A Dm B $\flat$  A

flam - ing nights, and death is ev - er near:  
trou - bled streets, and ter - ror haunts the land:  
shel - tering care hide deeds of hurt and shame:  
wound - ing world till gen - tle - ness shall reign.

*Refrain* (Am) (Dm) (G) (C) (F) (Dm) (Em) (Am)  
Dm Gm C F B $\flat$  Gm Am Dm

O God of mer - cy, hear our prayer. Bring peace to earth a - gain!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**SUMMER SERMON SERIES ON THE YOUR FAVORITE HYMNS** — Reverend Jackson is preaching on your favorite hymns; we will learn the story behind their authorship, sing them and learn about their theological content. Share your favorite hymns with him now.

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY— June 2** During worship we will meet the confirmands, hear their statements of faith and celebrate as they become members of the church. Reverend Jackson has invited a special friend to worship and a few more special friends to Fellowship Time. He promises it will be a worship service unlike any other—you don't want to miss it!



**BIBLE PRESENTATION SUNDAY** — 2nd grade Bible Sunday is *June 2*. All kids 2nd grade (or older) who have not received a Bible are invited to be part of this special day. Please email or call the office with your child's name.



**PENTECOST SUNDAY — June 9.** Our worship service will feature a very special communion to help us celebrate the birthday of the church. Wear the colors of fire, red, yellow and orange!

**PENTECOST OFFERING** — Consider a donation to the Pentecost offering; envelopes are in the pew racks. Sixty percent of the Pentecost Offering goes to our national church for ministries that encourage, develop, and support our youth and young adults and address the needs of at-risk children. RPC keeps the other forty percent for local ministries that also support young people.

**PRESCHOOL NEWS** — For the 2019-2020 school year, preschool will be offering an Enrichment Program that will extend the Preschool day until 1:20 pm. The morning schedule will remain the same. Enrollment forms are in the rack outside the office.

**LITTLE FOOD PANTRY — DONATION OF THE MONTH** In June, donations of canned tuna, chicken and Vienna sausages are welcome. Financial donations are always appreciated. Thank you for your help!

In May, we welcome donations of canned pasta (i.e., ravioli, spaghetti, beefaroni, etc.). There is a box in the south vestibule designated for these donations.

**BRICK PAVERS** — Looking for the perfect way to honor a friend or family member? Do you have a favorite Bible verse or meditation phrase? Buy a brick paver and choose the engraving. Small bricks

are \$150 and large bricks are \$500. All proceeds go to the Capital Campaign Fund. Order forms are available outside the RPC office.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS** — Sunday School is on break for the summer.

**NEW EQUAL EXCHANGE FAIR TRADE ITEMS** — There are many new organic fair-trade items for sale outside of Dale's office (green, black and herbal tea, breakfast blend and French roast coffee, baking cocoa and hot cocoa and new chocolates). Proceeds go to support the Senior High Mission Trip.



**CARERS CORNER MAY, Stars and Stripes Month** — The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 187 will be accepting our donation for their Packages Abroad program. Everything we donate will be used by a member of the armed services deployed abroad and by those who visit the USO at O'Hare Airport. Items needed are non-perishable snacks, personal care products, fun items to occupy their off-duty hours. A more comprehensive list is posted next to the trunk.

**CARERS CORNER JUNE** — Constance Morris House is a domestic violence shelter for Women and children which offers them a safe haven. Counseling and advocacy, plus physical and psychological safety is also provided. Fill the trunk with items that include Women's needs, Child-care needs, Household goods and also Outdoor toys just for fun. A detailed list will be posted.

**CRAFTERS NEEDED** — Winter is probably the last thing you want to think about right now, but we have a Christkindlmarket next December 7 to prepare for, and I have a request. This year, we'd like to expand the number and variety of crafters and vendors. If you attend any local craft/art fair events this summer and come across an artisan whose work you think would make a good addition to our Market, please request contact information from them and share that with either the church office or Sandra Kappmeyer [skappzan@aol.com](mailto:skappzan@aol.com) or (585) 662-9082. Thank you!

**EVENTS PLANNING** — With upcoming fundraising events that I have volunteered to help organize and or lead, I wanted to form an "Events Planning Committee". I am new-ish to the church and the area and would love to hear some tips and advice on events moving forward. My hope is to form a network of people that have talents or services they are willing to offer. The goal would be that we can all work together to ensure more successful events in our church and community. I hope to see you all at our first meet-up on Thursday June 6 at 7pm.



Regards, Brooke Woodham

**ADULT MISSION TRIP** — We are putting together a mission trip to help with the tornado damage in downstate Taylorville, IL. We will leave early Saturday June 1 and return late Sunday June 2. Lodging will be provided by local churches. All levels of skill are welcome. If interested please contact Fred Mitchell, [fmitchell435@aol.com](mailto:fmitchell435@aol.com) or Matt Lisle, [kidflatlander@gmail.com](mailto:kidflatlander@gmail.com)

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS** — Summer hours begin May 28. The office will be open Monday-Thursday

### Free Community Dinner



from 9 am to noon and closed on Fridays. Marika Floros will be staffing the office again this summer starting June 10.

**MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS — The Little Food Pantry is changing lives, so what's next?** It is amazing how much food is flying out of the LFP! From where we started to where we are now the growth is 4 times greater. The need is there and we want to do more. Starting June 9, we will be offering a monthly Community Dinner, and

EVERYONE is invited. The meal will start at 5:00 pm. More news will follow, but know that we are making a difference.

**ADULT MISSION TRIP FUND RAISER** — Saturday, June 29 6:00 pm at the home of Patti & Cyril Friend ~ Our Youth are traveling to St Louis this year, so you are invited to come and experience a taste of St Louis. St Louis style BBQ with all the fixings is on the menu. As well as St. Louis originals Gooney Butter Cake and fried Ravioli. Tickets are \$30 and will be on sale soon.



**FIFTH SUNDAY JUNE 30** — Forest Preserves of Cook County in conjunction with River Rats. We will meet at RPC at 9:50 am, have a prayer and then walk to the Hoffman Tower area behind Stella's to help clean the riverbank. Sticks and bags are provided, please wear long pants and closed toed shoes.

If you are unable to join us on the banks of the river you are encouraged to meet at RPC at 9:50 am and then proceed to the Social Hall to work on an alternative mission project. We are making kits to give to the homeless.

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR HOMELESS KITS** – Not all items will fit in small zip lock bags, so travel sized is best. Please consider donating the following items: Socks, Gift certificates for fast food (such as McDonalds), Hand wipes, small pack of Kleenex, Band Aids, Chapstick, Mints, cough drops or gum, small toothbrush and toothpaste, small deodorant, sewing kits, quarters for laundries, CTA passes, small flashlights, aspirin and chewable multi vitamins, jerky sticks.

We do not need soap or shampoo (if a homeless person finds a place for a shower these items are provided), hand sanitizer or mouthwash (nothing containing alcohol).

**SPRING AUCTION A SUCCESS – THANK YOU!!!** – A delicious dinner, great fellowship and a net of about \$11,000 raised for the church budget – what a wonderful evening we had on May 19 at the Cinco de Mayo fundraiser. If you missed it (or regret missing a bid on something), there are still a few items available: \$65/person (unlimited) for the Lisle's Theater Under the Stars on July 20, 2019, \$90/person (2 seats remaining) for Jansky's Valentine Dinner on February 15, 2020, and \$70/person (6 seats remaining) for the Zander/Kappmeyer Cocktail Party on October 5, 2019. Join the fun and help the church at the same time!

**2020 CHURCH TRIP** — Have you ever dreamed of seeing the Blue Mosque and Haga Sofia in Istanbul? How about floating around in the Aegean Sea, stopping at Santorini, considered the most breathtaking of the Greek Isles, and several other islands? Or walking among the ruins of the Parthenon

**THIS WEEK**

**Today**

10:00 am Worship  
11:00 am Fellowship Time  
3:00 pm The Boulevard

**Monday**

Office Closed for Memorial Day  
5:15 pm Volleyball

**Tuesday**

6:30 am Men’s Forum

**Wednesday**

6:30 pm acaBELLa Ringers  
7:30 pm Chancel Choir

**Thursday**

6:30 am Women’s Forum

**Sunday**

9:00 am Human Scene  
10:00 am Worship  
11:00 am Fellowship Time  
11:00 am Open Gym  
2:00 pm Worship at Cantata  
5:00 pm Free Community Dinner

**PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE**

**Liturgist:** Dennis Zander

**Ushers:** Staubus Family

**Andrew Minister:** Cyril Friend

**Flowers** today are donated by Susan Lisle and from her beautiful garden.

**Fellowship Time** is hosted by Sandy Kappmeyer and Dennis Zander.

**Trustee of the Month:** Patti Perry

**2019 CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

Elders

2019	2020	2021
Jeanine Buttimer	Frank Gangware	Gwen Heine
Patti Friend	Martha Heine	Allan Halline
Susan Lynch	Lynda Nadkarni	Matt Lisle
Lisa Aulerich- Marciniak	Dennis Zander	
	Mary Ann Sadilek, Clerk of Session	

Deacons

Ellen Hamilton	Lloyd Bradbury	Deb Jansky
Sandy Kappmeyer	Charlie Juister	Serina Ranft
Steve Teune	Sally Sloane	Wendy Seifert
	Jeanne Smith	

Trustees

Susan Deems-Dluhy	Patti Perry	Thom DeVries
Cyril Friend	Doug Harvin	Fred Mitchell
Fred Kitch	Hank Vogel	
Brad Staubus		

**Mission Statement**

We gather as a church to:  
Celebrate God’s presence,  
Nurture the Spiritual Life,  
Carry the light of Christ into the world,  
Serve God by serving others.

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