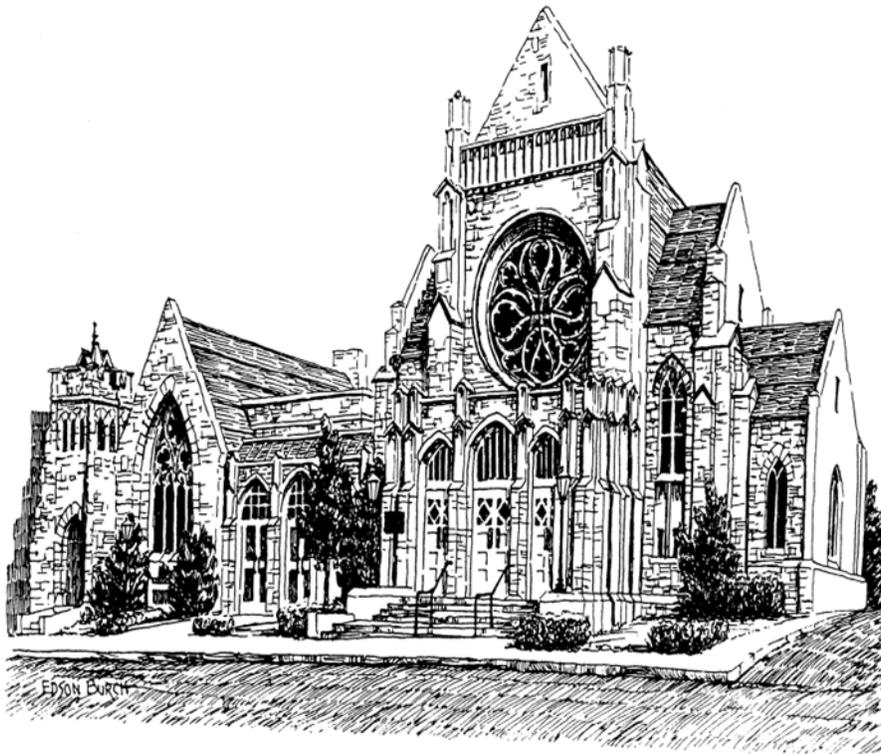


WEBSTER GROVES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Service for the Lord's Day
November 15, 2020
9:30 a.m.

OUR MISSION
We seek to live Christ's love,
welcome all people and joyfully serve God.



Service for the Lord's Day

✦ *When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.*

~GATHERING FOR GOD'S WORD~

PRELUDE

"A Mighty Fortress"

arr. John Behnke

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY LIFE

As the music begins, let us use this time for quiet reflection and prayer, so that we, individually and as a great crowd of witnesses, may prepare ourselves to reaffirm our faith as the people of God.

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Clair Bellows, Liturgist

The presence of the Holy is here.

Come, let us gather together.

For with God with us, blessing abounds.

**God has blessed each one of us abundantly
in ways that are evident and in ways that are
still unfolding.**

We come here to listen to God's story and to learn.

When we leave this place may we go and tell God's story.

Today, may our story and God's stories come together.

And may we be bearers of Good News!

HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy" with "Here I Am To Worship"

arr. Benjamin Harlan

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Light of the World, you stepped down into darkness,
opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
hope of a life spent with You.*

*So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.*

*King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
glorious in heaven above.
Humbly You came to the Earth You created,
All for love's sake became poor.*

*So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.*

*And I'll never know how much it cost
to see my sin upon that cross.
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to see my sin upon that cross.*

*So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
altogether wonderful to me.*

✠CALL TO CONFESSION

*We come before God not as despised sinners,
but as beloved children.*

*With the confidence of children of God,
let us humbly confess our sin.*

✠PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Lord our God,
you call us to work for a world
where all will be fed and have dignity,
but we can find ourselves distracted by our own desires.
You call us to seek justice and peace,
but we are satisfied with injustice and discord.
You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed,
but we do not insist on freedom for all.**

Forgive us, O Lord.

**Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit,
so that all may know your justice and peace;
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.**

Amen.

✠ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news!
Hope does not disappoint us,
for God is faithful to the covenant,
and God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit given to us in baptism.
Believe this good news, and give thanks:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

✠PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

"Now Thank We All Our God"
Ely Ringers

arr. John Behnke

~PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Clair Bellows, Liturgist

Guide us, O God,
by your Word and Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find freedom,
and in your will discover peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bezalel and Oholiab and every skillful one to whom the Lord has given skill and understanding to know how to do any work in the construction of the sanctuary shall work in accordance with all that the Lord has commanded. ²Moses then called Bezalel and Oholiab and every skillful one to whom the the Lord had given skill, everyone whose heart was stirred to come to do the work; ³and they received from Moses all the freewill offerings that the Israelites had brought for doing the work on the sanctuary. They still kept bringing him freewill offerings every morning, ⁴so that all the artisans who were doing every sort of task on the sanctuary came, each from the task being performed, ⁵and said to Moses, "The people are bringing much more than enough for doing the work that the Lord has commanded us to do." ⁶So Moses gave command, and word was proclaimed throughout the camp: "No man or woman is to make anything else as an offering for the sanctuary." So the people were restrained from bringing; ⁷for what they had already brought was more than enough to do all the work.

SERMON

Rev. Hannah Zyla

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

~RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD~

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Loving God,

you cause rain to fall on the just and the unjust.

Hear our prayers for your church and world:

for the hungry and the overfed,

may we have enough;

for the mourners and the mockers,

may we laugh together;

for the victims and the oppressors,

may we share power wisely;

for the peacemakers and the warmongers,

may clear truth and stern love lead us to harmony;

for the silenced and the propagandists,
may we speak our own words in truth;

for the unemployed and the overworked,
may our mark on this earth be kindly and creative;

for the troubled and the secure,
may we live together as wounded healers;

for the homeless and the pampered,
may our homes be simple, warm, and welcoming;

for the vibrant and the dying,
may we all die to sin and live to love. Amen.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

OFFERING INVITATION

God has been faithful to us again and again and again.
Let us respond in gratitude
and offer to God a portion of the gifts we have been given.

OFFERTORY

“We Are an Offering”

Dwight Liles

*We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering.
Lord use our voices, Lord, use our hands,
Lord use our lives, they are yours, we are an offering.*

*All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.*

*We lift our voices, we lift our hands,
we lift our lives up to you, we are an offering, we are an offering.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Giving God,
you have blessed us beyond measure, not because we
deserve it, but because you love us beyond measure.
Make us faithful in all we do, so that we might make every
moment a grateful response to all you have given us.
Use these gifts and use us to bless others. Amen.

THE LORDS 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.**

HYMN

“Enough”

Tomlin/Giglio

*All of You is more than enough for
All of me for ev'ry thirst and ev'ry need
You satisfy me with You love
And all I have in You
Is more than enough*

*You're my supply my breath of life
Still more awesome than I know
You're my reward worth living for
Still more awesome than I know*

*(Chorus) You're my sacrifice of greatest price
Still more awesome than I know
You're my coming King You are ev'rything
Still more awesome that I know*

*More than all I want more than all I need
You are more than enough for me
More than all I know more than all I can say
You are more than enough*

Chorus

CHARGE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Enough"

Tomlin/Giglio

WORD OF WELCOME

The worship service is a special time for all our members, but there are necessary changes designed to keep all safe.

For the sake of all attending worship, **masks** are required while in worship.

During the **passing of the peace**, congregants should not leave their pews or offer handshakes or hugs. A smile and a nod or a friendly hello across the aisle can serve as a physically-distant sign of peace. We encourage creativity!

For the **offering**, we encourage everyone to give their contribution online. No plate will be passed during the service. Designated offering receptacles will be near sanctuary exits if you prefer to give in person.

If you have any **questions** about the procedures as outlined, please see one of the pastors or Betsy Wacker.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY VESPERS BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1

With the change in season and the coming dark evenings, MiniMeets and Gospel Medicine are on pause until the spring. Instead, join us for Vespers (a traditional evening service celebrating light) on Zoom each Sunday at 7pm beginning today, November 1. The zoom link is found on the Friday Flash.

NICARAGUA COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP—”Seguir Adelante—Go Forward!”

Our presbytery’s covenant relationship with the community of Plan Grande #2 Nicaragua has been active for 20 years, Gracias a Dios! Despite economic downturns, political unrest, and social disruptions in both countries and the global impact of COVID-19, and we remain committed to our promises of mutual love and support. **“Seguir Adelante—Go Forward!”**

COVID-19 forced the cancelation of our annual fund-raising dinner, but the needs of 34 high schoolers and 7 college students have not stopped! WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE STUDENTS of Plan Grande #2. We want to share their stories to engage and inspire you to “seguir Adelante—go Forward” - even in these challenging times. We hope to raise the funds necessary to provide the support they and their families need in order to continue focusing on education and their futures. **Our goal for the remainder of 2020 is \$5000!**

Join us for a Zoom Gathering on Monday, November 9th from 5:30—6:30pm for stories and updates. No tickets, no admission, no meal (sorry!) - but plenty of opportunity for you to learn and to share in the mission to support the community of Plan Grande#2 and these great young people.

RSVP to pg2nicaragua@gmail.com **and you will be sent the Zoom link to join the event.** Let us know if you have any questions!

Donate online at www.glpby.org between Nov. 1-30 or anytime at www.wgpc.org/give (select “Nicaragua” from the “select a fund” menu). Checks made to “Giddings Lovejoy Presbytery” may be mailed c/o Harriet Hall to 20 North Maple Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63119.

RECURRING EVENTS

THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS: A WEBINAR FROM INTERFAITH PARTNERSHIP OF GREATER ST. LOUIS-MONDAYS AT 7PM

For our Fall Adult Education we will be joining this great opportunity to explore the religions of the world with Interfaith Partnership of Greater St. Louis. Dr. David Oughton, president of the Board of Interfaith Partnership and retired professor of the world's religions at Saint Louis University, will be teaching a weekly fifteen part lecture series on the World's Religions via Zoom. The course is free and open to all, and participants are encouraged to come to as many or as few sessions as they are able. If you have any questions about this programs, feel free to contact Interfaith Partnership. Register here and let Pastor Hannah know once you're registered.

BLACK LIVES MATTER VIGIL

Our Black Lives Matter vigils with other churches along Lockwood continue on Friday nights from 6:00-6:30pm. Meet in the WGPC parking lot, wear a mask, and bring your chair if you need one.