

KIRK IN THE HILLS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

9:00 A.M. GARDEN SERVICE
AUGUST 1, 2021



*The day before the Lord's Supper together will find the members of a Christian community
with one another, each asking of the other forgiveness for wrongs committed.
Anyone who avoids this path to another believer cannot go to the table of the Lord well prepared.*
— Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Welcome to worship. Welcome to the Kirk. Welcome home.

Here at the Kirk, our vision statement is *We envision a world where every heart experiences God's transforming love*. This statement was born from months of congregation-wide listening sessions and years of prayer and discernment. We are already seeing it take root.

We envision a world. In one of Jesus' most famous moments, he feeds the multitudes with five loaves and two fish. In another story, Jesus helps his frustrated disciples to secure a net full of fish by inviting them to cast their nets on the other side of the boat. They catch so many fish that there are too many to eat on their own! Ours is a church that hopes to look beyond our own needs to do what Jesus and the disciples did—share our **fish** with the world.



Where every heart experiences. Jesus reminds us in his birth, his ministry, and in his promise of the Holy Spirit, that God is near! Throughout the pages of the gospels, we see people following him to shorelines and meeting him there. Jesus was standing on the shore when he called his first disciples, Peter and Andrew. The **shore** is where the crowd listened to him preach and where the disciples met him after the resurrection. We hope to be a church that comes to shore to meet the living Christ! For us, this starts in **worship**. We hope through our worship, mission, and formation, we will have your eyes lighting up with the reminder of how you and how our community are made well (created), are being made well (healed), and will be made well (saved) into eternity.



Service schedule:

8:00 a.m. - Cedarholm Chapel, with organ, sermon and communion

9:00 a.m. - Garden Worship with no preregistration. Bring your own chair and water bottle! (In case of rain, the service will be held in the Sanctuary)

10:15 am - Sanctuary, with organ, staff singers, congregational singing, and sermon.

Both the 9:00 a.m. and the 10:15 a.m. services are streamed on our website and on Facebook.

11:00 a.m. - Radio broadcast 92.7 FM Faith talk

11:00 a.m. - Kirk West (Fox Run) broadcast

God's transforming love. *The Lord is my shepherd*, says the 23rd Psalm and the 100th Psalm reminds us that we are his flock. Jesus uses similar imagery in the New Testament when he assures us that the shepherd will find the lost sheep. Our **Christian formation** ministries are meant to gather us as a **flock** and to be led by the shepherd. Small groups, Bible studies and special events continue over Zoom—you can find all of the links and materials for our groups in our weekly e-newsletter or at kirkinthehills.org on the Worship From Home website page.



Stay warm!

Pastor Nate

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We had hoped he was the Messiah.... — Luke 24: 21

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Oscar Sosa, guitar; Phil Kelly, piano

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PASTORAL CONCERNS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 34

I will bless the Lord at all times;

We will bless our God at all times.

I will praise the Holy One with my voice.

Let us exalt God's name together.

We are seeking.

And God will answer us.

We cry out for help,

And God will deliver us.

God will deliver us from our fears.

God will hear us and save us.

So come now, let us worship together.

Let us taste and see that our God is good.

* OPENING HYMN

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Open the Eyes

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.

Open the eyes of my heart.

I want to see You.

I want to see You.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory.

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy

Holy, holy, holy,

I want to see you.

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts.

Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts

we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in your our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your son who taught us to pray...

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.

*** ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

from Psalm 108

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. Believe the good news!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FOR GARDEN CLUB

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24: 13-35

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

The Lord's Prayer: Forgive Us Our Debts...

Dr. Nate Phillips

THE THANKSGIVING

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING OF THE BREAD, SHARING OF THE CUP

At the direction of the communion servers, please step towards the nearest communion station to receive the sacrament.

COMMUNION SOLO

Grace

Lizz Wright

It was not my bed to make,
But it might have been my soul to take.
And I paid dearly for my mistake,
But it was not my bed to make.

It was not in the way I moved,
Or everything I tried to prove to you.

*Grace;
Trying to be stronger.
Grace;
This wounded heart, it longs for grace.
Mercy, take your time.
Help me find my way to grace.*

I surrender, I lay down my arms.
If I can do no good, I will do no harm.
The truth, the eye of every storm;
I lay down my arms.

It was not in my words,
Or in the ways they heard you.

*Grace;
Trying to be stronger...*

Forgiveness.
Forgiveness.
Forgiveness.

*Grace;
Trying to be stronger...*

Give me patience.
Give me grace.
Tell me it's not too late for grace.
Help me find my way.
Today I pray for grace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

O God, you have so greatly loved us,
long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us.

Give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thank-offering to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING

* CLOSING HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
Hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart; O take and seal it;
Seal it for thy courts above.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Oscar Sosa, guitar; Phil Kelly, piano

THE CARILLON

Keiran Cantilena, Cleveland Ohio

If you are in need of prayer

You may submit prayer requests online at kirkinthehills.org under Connect/Prayer.

The flowers on the altar are presented in loving memory of Constance Kummerow.

A Garden Memorial is presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Frank Garland and Janet Garland by their daughters, Sharon and Patricia and their families.

Stephen Ministers are available for personal, confidential prayer in the Upper East Garden immediately following the Garden Service each Sunday. If you or someone you know is in need outside of the Garden Service, please contact Nancy Lau at 248-835-6691.



Coffee Hour - fellowship time with coffee and treats takes place after worship in Heritage Hall. Please join us!



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