

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

10:15 A.M. SANCTUARY WORSHIP  
AUGUST 8, 2021



*God is the one who rescues us from sin,  
who makes us long for holiness and goodness.*

— Wesley Hill

## 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, Chancel Choir, 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 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm and the 100<sup>th</sup> 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](http://kirkinthehills.org) on the Worship From Home website page.



Stay warm!

Pastor Nate

# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

10:15 a.m. Live Sanctuary Service

*It is written, 'Worship the Lord God, and serve only him.;—Luke 4: 8*

## THE GATHERING

THE CARILLON

*Dennis Curry, Kirk in the Hills*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

**Prelude Modale**

*Jean Langlais*

\* *Those who are able are invited to stand at the ringing of the tower bell.*

\* INTROIT

**Christ Be With Me**

*arr. George Guest*

Christ be with me. Christ within me.  
Christ be with me evermore.  
Christ beside me, Christ who loves me.  
Christ to strengthen evermore.  
Christ beneath me. Christ above me.  
Christ within me, evermore.  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,  
Be my guide for evermore.

\* 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.**

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 465

**What A Friend We Have in Jesus**

*Converse*

*Please refer to the **Glory to God** hymnal found in your pew.*

\* 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 you 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.**

**\* KYRIE ELEISON**

Lord, have mercy upon us;  
Christ, have mercy upon us;  
Lord have mercy upon us.

*Healey Willan*

**\* 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!**

**\* GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father,  
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.**

*Greatorrex*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE WORD**

**\* CHORAL PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*Dundee*

**We would not live by bread alone,  
But by Your word of grace,  
In strength of which we travel on  
To our abiding place.**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Luke 4: 1-13**

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

## ANTHEM

### Sweet Hour of Prayer

William Bradbury

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
That calls me from a world of care,  
And bids me at my Father's throne  
Make all my wants and wishes known.

In seasons of distress and grief,  
My soul has often found relief,  
And oft escaped the tempter's snare  
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, Sweet hour of prayer,  
The joys I feel, the bliss I share  
Of those whose anxious spirits burn  
With strong desires for thy return!  
With such I hasten to the place  
Where God my Savior shows his face,  
And gladly take my station there,  
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
Thy wings shall my petition bear  
To him whose truth and faithfulness  
Engage the waiting soul to bless;  
And since he bids me seek his face,  
Believe his word, and trust his grace,  
I'll cast on him my every care,  
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### \* HYMN 775

#### I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

*Walk With Me*

*Verse 1 sang by choir. Verses 2 and 3 sung by all.*

*Please refer to the **Glory to God** hymnal found in your pew.*

## THE THANKSGIVING

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Our giving is an offering to God. All offerings, whether made in the worship service or outside of it, are part of our worship of God and are used to support the Kirk's ministry here and in other parts of the world.*

### \* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### SOLO

#### The Lord's Prayer

*Albert Hay Malotte*

*Kurt Frank, bass*

### \* DOXOLOGY

*Old Hundredth*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God, above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SERMON

The Lord's Prayer: Lead Us Not Into Temptation

Rev. Kelsey Sorge

**THE SENDING**

\* RECESSIONAL HYMN 463

**How Firm a Foundation**

*Foundation*

*Please refer to the **Glory to God** hymnal found in your pew.*

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*Please take your seats as the pastor gives the congregation a charge to live the life of faith and then speaks words of God's blessing on all gathered.*

**CHORAL AMEN**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

**Fantasia**

*Jean Langlais*

## About today's hymns

**What a friend We Have in Jesus**, was written by Joseph M. Scriven (1819-1886), an Irish immigrant to Canada in 1855. Scriven's life was filled with grief and trials, and he often sought comfort from the Lord as described in his famous hymn. He experienced the loss of two fiancées and suffered from depression, but he wrote this hymn as a comfort to his mother in Ireland when she was experiencing great sorrow.

**I Want Jesus to Walk with Me** is an African American spiritual, many times used during the journey of the Lenten season. As we sing it today, we pray for and can be assured that Jesus has gone before us in temptation and will walk with us through every time of trial.

**How Firm a Foundation** was published in John Rippon's *A Selection of Hymns* in 1787 and set to American folk melody edited by Joseph Funk. As we sing this today and are sent out into our week, let us be reminded of God's promises to us in Scripture: that God will never leave us, nor forsake us.

## About today's solo and anthem

This famous setting of **The Lord's Prayer** was composed by Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964) in 1935. Although the prayer had been previously set to music, Malotte's version was the first to reach widespread popularity, and has since been recorded by many renowned artists.

**Sweet Hour of Prayer** was written by a blind English preacher from the small village of Coleshill, Warwickshire. It was published in 1845 and set to music in 1861 by famous American gospel hymn writer, William Bradbury, who is known for other beloved gospel hymns such as "Just As I Am" and "He Leadeth Me". The text of this hymn speaks to the fostering of private prayer, that we share with God in our deepest and loneliest desert places.

## If you are in need of prayer

You may submit prayer requests online at [kirkinthehills.org](http://kirkinthehills.org) under Connect/Prayer.

**Stephen Ministers** are available for personal, confidential prayer in Melrose Chapel (to the left, when facing forward in the sanctuary) immediately following Service each Sunday.



If you or someone you know is in need of prayer please contact Nancy Lau at 248-835-6691.

**Sermon Series Cover Art** - The entire life of Christ, brilliantly illustrated in stained glass, surrounds worshippers in the Sanctuary at the Kirk. During our Summer Sermon Series, The Lord's Prayer, we'll highlight one of the stained glass windows from the series of windows you'll find along the side aisles. Seven pairs of windows vividly illustrate The Lord's Prayer. Because of their smaller size, these windows incorporate very tiny figures to achieve a striking jeweled effect. Rich in Christian meaning and symbolism, the Kirk's stained glass windows are notable works of art that radiate a veritable "gospel in glass" throughout the sanctuary.

**Coffee Hour** - fellowship time with coffee and treats takes place after worship in Heritage Hall. Please join us! We'll be announcing soon when coffee hour will return to our newly renovated front patio!

**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 10:15 a.m. service ends. See an usher for direction or further details.



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