



For the Fallen

Solemn the drums thrill; Death august and royal Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres,
There is music in the midst of desolation
And a glory that shines upon our tears.

They went with songs to the battle, they were young,
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted;
They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

They mingle not with their laughing comrades again; They sit no more at familiar tables of home; They have no lot in our labour of the day-time;

But where our desires are and our hopes profound,
Felt as a well-spring that is hidden from sight,
To the innermost heart of their own land they are known
As the stars are known to the Night;

As the stars that shall be bright when we are dust,
Moving in marches upon the heavenly plain;
As the stars that are starry in the time of our darkness,
To the end, to the end, they remain.

By: Laurence Binyon

Stewardship 2023

It wasn't raining when Noah Built the Ark. The theme for this years annual giving campaign is very appropriate. It's not raining today at the Kirk but we need to prepare for when it does.

The founders of the Kirk established a substantial endowment which pays for a significant portion of the facilities upkeep. However, the rest of the Kirk's operating costs are funded by the annual pledges. All of the ministers salaries, funds to support our wonderful music program, the outreach done in Pontiac and throughout the world are just a couple of examples of what your annual pledges support.

By now you should have received our program materials and a letter from Dr. McDonald. If you haven't pledged in the past this would be a great time to start and if you have pledged in the past, thank you so much but this year we are asking for you to prayerfully consider at least a 10% increase. Thank you to our members who make consistent financial contributions to Kirk in the Hills.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service

GATHERING

THE CARILLON

OPENING VOLUNTARY Rhosymedre

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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

* INTROIT Prayer of the Children

Kurt Bestor

Can you hear the prayer of the children on bended knee, in the shadow of an unknown room? Empty eyes with no more tears to cry, turning heavenward toward the light.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 121

Rev. Keith Provost

I lift up my eyes to the hills from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel

will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper;

the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

The sun shall not strike you by day,

nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil;

he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 331

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

National Hymn

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Keith Provost

O Holy One, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times, O God, when we fail to recognize you in the dailyness of our lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we degrade our own wisdom.

Holy God, in the daily round from sunrise to sunset, remind us again of your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to see you in the moment-by-moment possibilities to live honestly, to act courageously, and to speak from our wisdom.

* KYRIE ELEISON (Hymn 551) Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;

Lord, have mercy upon us.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 103:8,10-12

Rev. Keith Provost

Land of Rest

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Friends, believe the Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

* GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,

Greatorex

And to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald (9:00 a.m.)
Rev. Edwin Estevez (11:00 a.m.)

WORD WITH THE CHILDREN (9:00 a.m.)

Rev. Edwin Estevez

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.

Following the Word with the Children, children and youth ages 4 through grade 8 will be dismissed for Sunday School.

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Job 19:23-27a (OT, page 468)

Luke 20:27-38 (*NT, page 84*)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Veterans Day Message Rev. Dr. Chase Wilhelm

THANKSGIVING

* HYMN 753

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis

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.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Edwin Estevez

ANTHEM

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Dale Wood

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the Head and Cornerstone, chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one; Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone. To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today; with thy wonted loving kindness hear thy servants as they pray, and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always. Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One. One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald & Rev. Edwin Estevez (9:00 a.m.)

Rev. Edwin Estevez & Rev. Keith Provost (11:00 a.m.)

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 up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS (Hymn 552)

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

AGNUS DEI (Hymn 555)

SHARING IN THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

This morning the congregation is served in procession. Please remain seated until you are prompted by an usher to be served. For those unable to process forward, stay seated and a server will bring the sacrament to you.

Gluten-free bread is available in the center of the bread trays. Empty glasses are placed in the baskets provided near the communion servers.

We receive the bread with "Amen" after the server says, "This is the body of Christ."

We receive the cup with "Thanks be to God" after the server says, "This is the cup of the new covenant"

COMMUNION ANTHEMS Dona N

Dona Nobis Pacem (9:00 a.m.)

Anonymous

Communion Prayer by Allen Pote (11:00 a.m.)

We place upon your table, Lord, The food of life, the bread and wine, As symbols of our daily work, According to your grand design.

Within these simple things there lie
The height and depth of human life;
Our pain and tears, our thoughts and toils,
Our hopes and fears, our joy and strife.

Accept them, Lord, they come from you. We take them humbly from your hand. These gifts of yours for higher use We offer up as you command.

Senior Boys' and Girls' Choir

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

In your body broken and in your blood shed for all of us, Lord, we have tasted and seen that you are good. In this meal, we have experienced again your deep love for your world. May the sweet taste of this meal strengthen us for living for you and remind us that we are called to live according to your will and to love as you love. Help us to yearn for your coming again, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

SENDING

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 8

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Melita

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION (Seated)

Rev. Dr. Chase Wilhelm

CHORAL AMEN

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Voluntary

John Stanley

Worship/Music Notes

The organ prelude today is one of the most loved and frequently played organ pieces by Ralph Vaughan Williams. It is based on the tune named Rhosymedre (also called 'Lovely), which is not in our current hymnal. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) was an English composer who is also responsible for some of our most famous hymn tunes (For All the Saints/Sine nomine, I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say/Kingsfold and Come Down, O Love Divine/Down Ampney).

The Choir's Introit is from Kurt Bestor's *Prayer of the Children*, a work which will be sung in entirety by the Chancel Choir on November 13. The Offertory Anthem is by the American organist, choir director and composer Dale Wood (1934-2003).

Have a favorite hymn? Send your ideas to Marilyn Biery at mbiery@kirkinthehills.org

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.



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.

Join us for coffee and fellowship in the Fireside Room after the 9:00 a.m. worship service!

The flowers on the altar are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of their mothers, Janet Emerson and Louise Morian by Todd, Rosemary, Caitlin and Andrew Emerson.

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The music department is looking for instrumentalists (youth and adults) to offer their gifts of music during worship. If you would like to play your instrument, please contact Merideth Estevez (mestevez@kirkinthehills.org) or Marilyn Biery mbiery@kirkinthehills.org

The Choir is looking for new members, especially tenors and altos. To learn more about the Chancel Choir, contact Marilyn Biery.

Today's Musicians

David Enos, guest organist Marty Liebman, guest pianist



Rev. Dr. Andrew McDonald • Interim Senior Pastor Rev. Edwin Estevez • Associate Pastor for Mission Rev. Kelsey Sorge • Associate Pastor for Youth Rev. Dr. Keith Provost • Parish Associate for Pastoral Care Rev. Marjorie Wilhelmi • Parish Associate

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