

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 5, 2023

10:00 a.m.

* All who are able may stand

Congregation reads aloud the **BOLD** print

PRELUDE

Eye Hath Not Seen (*The Holy City*)

Alfred Robert Gaul

Chip Hazel, baritone

Eye hath not seen, ear hath not heard,

Neither have entered into the heart of man,

The things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

For he hath prepared for them a city, whose builder and maker is God.

There remaineth therefore a rest for the people of God;

Therefore fear, lest any come short of it.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Steve Clark

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The world belongs to God,

ALL: THE EARTH AND ALL ITS PEOPLE.

One: How good it is, how wonderful,

ALL: TO LIVE TOGETHER IN UNITY.

One: Love and faith come together,

ALL: JUSTICE AND PEACE JOIN HANDS.

One: Open our lips, O God,

ALL: AND OUR MOUTHS SHALL PROCLAIM YOUR PRAISE.

*HYMN NO. 405

Praise God for This Holy Ground

vs. 1 & 2 – cantor

v. 3 – higher voices

v. 4 – lower voices

v. 5 – all

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Holy God, Maker of all,

ALL: HAVE MERCY ON US.

One: Jesus Christ, servant of the poor,

ALL: HAVE MERCY ON US.

One: Holy Spirit, breath of life,

ALL: HAVE MERCY ON US. *[Time of silent confession]*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE (all sing) *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* NO. 582

**GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME,
AND TO THE SON, WHOSE GRACE HAS PARDONED ME,
AND TO THE SPIRIT, WHOSE LOVE HAS SET ME FREE.**

AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW AND EVER SHALL BE. AMEN.

WORLD WITHOUT END, WITHOUT END. AMEN.

WORLD WITHOUT END, WITHOUT END. AMEN.

WORLD WITHOUT END, WITHOUT END. AMEN.

AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW AND EVER SHALL BE. AMEN.

WONDERING TIME

Christina Pressley

*[There is no J.A.M. Session on Communion Sundays. Children remain in worship
with their families and take part in communion following the sermon.]*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

*This morning we receive the offering for the Deacons' Fund. Your contributions provide immediate help
to individuals in our community in financial crisis – real people, real needs, real help.*

Any loose offering and designated checks go toward this fund. Let us give with grateful hearts.

OFFERTORY

Draw the Circle Wide

Mark Miller

Chancel Choir

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide. No one stands alone, we'll stand side by side.

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.

Let this be our song: no one stands alone, standing side by side.

Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.

*DOXOLOGY (all sing) **PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW;** Tune: NO. 606

PRAISE CHRIST, ALL PEOPLE HERE BELOW;

PRAISE HOLY SPIRIT EVERMORE;

PRAISE TRIUNE GOD, WHOM WE ADORE. AMEN

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:13-20 (NRSV)

Rev. Dr. Tracy Keenan

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: THANKS BE TO GOD.

SERMON

"The Weird Messages Behind Certain Gifts" Rev. Dr. Tracy Keenan

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SETTING THE TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

INVITATION

SHARING THE MEAL

*All are welcome to receive communion. Please come forward using the center aisle.
When you reach the Table, take a piece of bread from the basket and dip it in the cup.*

Eat immediately, then return to your pew via the side aisles.

(We serve grape juice instead of wine and offer gluten-free bread so that all may partake.)

COMMUNION MUSIC

*Come to the Table of Grace
Maria Hess & Matthew Pressley*

NO. 507

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

***SHARING THE PEACE**

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ.

ALL: LET US FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER.

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

[Turn to those around you and share with them words and signs of peace.]

***HYMN NO. 700**

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*Waltz Op. 64, No. 2
Sinae Yun Lee, piano*

F. Chopin

ANNUAL MEETING BEGINS IMMEDIATELY

Welcome visitors! We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Please record your name, address, and phone number/email on one of the Connection Cards in the pew and introduce yourself to the pastor as you leave.

The Rev. Dr. Tracy Keenan serves as Missional Presbyter of New Castle Presbytery. She sparks enthusiasm and hope in member churches by helping them to connect their dreams, ideas, and leaders with the work of the Ignite Team. Tracy also serves as Co-Executive with the Connectional Presbyter. We are pleased to welcome her to our pulpit today.

We are glad to welcome back Sinae Yun Lee to share her musical gifts with us today. Sinae holds advanced degrees in Piano Performance and Musicology from The Frederik Chopin University of Music in Warsaw, Poland and Kei-Myung University in Daegu, Korea. She has completed continuing education courses in Choral Conducting and Choral Rehearsal Techniques at Westminster Choir College and served as music director at several area churches since moving to the U.S. about ten years ago.

The flowers today are given by A.T. & Ryan Moffett with special thanks to Christina and all the members of the Spiritual Formation team for guiding our children in their lives of faith and action.

Assisting in the service of worship are:

Deacon-in-Charge: Don Potter

Greeter: Judy Hayes

Livestream Team: Bob Brown, Marj Johnson, Ron McKinney, A.T. Moffett

J.A.M. Session



(Jesus and Me!)

The first Sunday of each month is Communion Sunday, so J.A.M. Session will not be held. After Wondering Time, children will remain in worship with their families and take part in communion after the sermon. There are quiet activities at the back of the sanctuary that children may take to the pews.

Concord accepts donations via several electronic methods:

- Scanning the QR code with your smart phone will allow you to make **credit card** or **PayPal** donations to Concord.
- Use your personal **banking app** (utilizing Zelle®) to send a cash donation to **donations@concordpc.org**.



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ANNUAL MEETING

By action of the Session of Concord Presbyterian Church, there will be a meeting of the congregation **today** immediately following worship (in person and via Zoom) to:

- approve the pastor's terms of call,
- review the 2022 financial report,
- receive the 2023 budget,
- elect congregation at-large members to the Nominating Committee (Liane Gehret, Al Lund, Carol Schlegel),
- and handle any other business that may rightly come before it.

Copies of the 2022 Annual Report (containing the 2023 budget) and terms of call are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Use [this link](#) to join via Zoom.



February 12, 2023

Join Concord's children and youth in supporting Hanover Food Pantry during the 2023 Souper Bowl of Caring by **donating non-perishable food items from Feb. 1-12**. Bring your donations to the narthex on Sunday or the Church Office during the week. The items will be taken to Hanover Church, brought downstairs to the pantry, and shelved by the children and youth after worship February 12.

Movement and Meditation

...an experience for women of all ages and abilities...

led by Laura Mulrenin



Sunday, February 19 – 4:30-5:30pm

in the Sanctuary

RSVP to Christina Pressley (concord.christinap@gmail.com) or

Jen Kroon (jenmackert@yahoo.com) by Feb. 12

Preschool Registration



Registration for 2023-2024

All classes age 1 - kindergarten

Concord Preschool and Childcare registration for the next school year is now open to the public. If you are interested, please call the Preschool Office at 302/654-9629 to schedule a tour or visit the Preschool website at www.concordpreschoolandchildcare.com for online registration materials. If you are interested, don't delay – spaces fill quickly. Remember the Preschool offers a full-day kindergarten class with a small class size and free before and after childcare.