

***“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him
may not perish but may have eternal life.”***

John 3:16



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***Meet with us online or via phone at 10 am:
Look under “Updates” on our site to join online
or call 312-626-6799 and when prompted
enter the Meeting ID: 942 617 477 (followed by #).
When asks for a Participant ID number, dial #.
On the phone, dial *6 to mute or unmute yourself.
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Service for the Lord's Day

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

One: In this place, the community of faith is reminded of the promise:

Many: God's love endures forever!

One: In spite of our impatient grumbling, despite our attraction to the shadows:

Many: Christ's light shines in us!

One: When we think our hands our empty, when we have no music in our souls:

Many: the Spirit fills us with glad songs, and creates us for good works!

Hymn #230 "This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made"

Prayer of Confession

The Light of the world has come, Ceaseless Creator, but we admit we love the shadows all around us. For there, we can boast of our achievements, rather than point to your grace; there, we can grumble of our unhappiness with you, instead of singing your praises; there, we can give into our natural anger, and not be touched by your call to be agents of peace and hope.

Forgive us, Eternal Love: lead us from the shadows of sin into the light of your joy; raise us up, as your children, so we may kneel in service to others; shower us with the grace, the hope, the peace you have brought to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Response "Gloria Patri"

Passing the Peace

One: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

Many: and also, with you.

One: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace.

Prayer of Illumination

God of all Wisdom and Glory grace us today with the presence of your Spirit that we might hear today's word with understanding and imagination. This we pray in your holy and good name. Amen.

Scripture: John 8:1-11

Sermon: John Rawlings, Commissioned Pastor

Hymn #347 ***“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive”***

Affirmation of Faith *the Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering Checks may be mailed to the church or donate online.

Response of Praise *“Doxology”*

Prayer of Dedication:

As we have been gathered in this place because of the faithfulness of those who have gone before us, so we pray that the gifts we offer in these moments might be used to reach out to those in all corners of the world who need hope, who hunger for food and justice, who yearn for peace, and who long for your graceful presence in their lives. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn #298 ***“There's a Wideness in God's Mercy”***

Charge and Benediction