

September 24, 2017 - 9:00 am Blended Worship

Prelude: "Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down" - Doherty
"Come, Christians, Join To Sing" - arr. Dickens
"Here I Am to Worship" - Hughes

Choral Introit: "Christians, We Have Met To Worship"

Welcome - Caryn Rivadeneira, Worship Coordinator

"I Will Extol You, O My God"

**I will extol you, O my God, and praise you, O my King
Yes, every day and evermore your praises I will sing
Great is the Lord, our mighty God, and greatly to be praised
His greatness is unsearchable, above all glory raised**

**Each generation to the next shall testimony bear
And to your praise, from age to age, your wondrous acts declare
Upon your glorious majesty and honor I will dwell
And all your grand and glorious works and greatness I will tell**

**Your mighty acts and glorious deeds we shall with awe confess
Your goodness we will celebrate and sing your righteousness
Most gracious and compassionate is God, who reigns above
His wrath is ever slow to rise, unbounded is his love**

"Come, Christians, Join To Sing"
**Come, Christians, join to sing, alleluia, amen
Loud praise to Christ our King; alleluia, amen
Let all with heart and voice before his throne rejoice
Praise is his gracious choice: alleluia, amen**

**Come, lift your hearts on high, *alleluia, amen*
Let praises fill the sky, *alleluia, amen*
Christ is our guide and friend; to us he'll condescend
His love shall never end; *alleluia, amen***

**Praise yet our Christ again; alleluia, amen
Life shall not end the strain; alleluia, amen
On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore
Singing forevermore, alleluia, amen**

Responsive Reading from Psalm 145

Leader: I will exalt you, my God the King

I will praise your name for ever and ever

Every day I will praise you

All: **And extol your name for ever and ever**

Leader: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise

All: **His greatness no one can fathom**

Leader: One generation commends your works to another

I will meditate on your mighty acts

All: **We will tell of the power of your awesome works**

Leader: I will proclaim your great deeds

All: **We will celebrate your abundant goodness**

And joyfully sing of your righteousness

Leader: The Lord is gracious and compassionate

Slow to anger and abounding in love

All: **Amen! Let us praise the Lord with heart and voice!**

“Glorify Thy Name”

Father, we love you, we worship, we adore you

Glorify your name in all the earth

Glorify your name, glorify your name

Glorify your name in all the earth

Jesus, we love you, we worship, we adore you

Glorify your name in all the earth

Glorify your name, glorify your name

Glorify your name in all the earth

Spirit, we love you, we worship, we adore you

Glorify your name in all the earth

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Greetings - Lisa Capozzoli, Director of Care & Community

Commissioning and Prayer - Bob Venhousen, Elder

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee

Take my moments and my days; let them flow in endless praise

Let them flow in endless praise

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee

Swift and beautiful for thee

**Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee
Filled with messages from thee**

**Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose
Every power as thou shalt choose**

**Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine
Take my heart--it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne
It shall be thy royal throne**

**Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee
Ever, only, all for thee**

Message: "Worship Is a Verb" - Gregg DeMey, Lead Pastor
Colossians 3:16-17

Prayer of Response

Announcements

Offertory: "Holy, Holy"
"Father, I Adore You" - arr. Pierce Dickens
The offering is for the Elmhurst Ministries Fund

"Holy Spirit"
**Holy Spirit, living breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Bring the presence of the risen Lord
To renew my heart and make me whole
Cause your Word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for your purity
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me**

**Holy Spirit, come abide within
May your joy be seen in all I do
Love enough to cover every sin
In each thought and deed and attitude
Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my striving into works of grace
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do**

**Holy Spirit, from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show your power once again on earth
Cause your church to hunger for your ways
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise**

**Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ may be clear
For all the world to see**

Blessing & Sending

Postlude: "Praise To the Lord, the Almighty" - arr. Pierce Dickens

Choir Director - Marve Wolterstorff, Organist - Mary Reitsma
Pianist - Dina Zeilstra, Song Leader - Kathy Feringa

September 24, 2017 - 10:30 am Contemporary Worship

"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"

Welcome

"Lay Me Down"

**With this heart open wide
From the depths, from the heights
I will bring a sacrifice**

**With these hands lifted high
Hear my song, hear my cry
I will bring a sacrifice (2X)**

**I lay me down, I'm not my own
I belong to you alone
Lay me down, lay me down
Hand on my heart, this much is true
There's no life apart from you
Lay me down, lay me down**

**Letting go of my pride
Giving up all my rights
Take this life and let it shine (2X)**

Oh lay me down, lay me down, lay me down

**It will be my joy to say
Your will, your way
(3X)
Always**

"You Alone - You're Worthy of My Praise"

**I will worship
With all of my heart
I will praise you
With all of my strength
I will seek you**

**All of my days
I will follow
Follow all of your ways**

**I will give you all my worship, I will give you all my praise
You alone, I long to worship
You alone are worthy of my praise**

**I will bow down
And hail you as king
I will serve you
And give you everything
I will lift up
My eyes to your throne
I will trust you
I'll trust you alone**

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“At Your Name”

**At your name the mountains shake and crumble
At your name the oceans roar and tumble
At your name angels will bow
The earth will rejoice, your people cry out**

**Lord of all the earth we shout your name, shout your name
Filling up the skies with endless praise, endless praise
Yahweh, Yahweh
We love to shout your name, oh Lord**

**At your name the morning breaks in glory
At your name creation sings your story**

**At your name angels will bow
The earth will rejoice, your people cry out**

**There is no one like our God
We will praise you, praise you
There's no one like our God
We will sing, we will sing
There is no one like our God
We will praise you, praise you
There's no one like our God
We will sing**

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**Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King
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**I am yours, set apart for you
I am yours, hungry for the truth
Take my life, you are all I live for**

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Take my heart it is thine own, It shall be thy royal throne
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“The Heart of Worship”

**When the music fades and all is stripped away and I simply come
Longing just to bring something that's of worth that will bless your name
I'll bring you more than a song, for a song in itself is not what you have required**

**You search much deeper within and from the way things appear
You're looking into my heart**

**I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about you, it's all about you Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
'Cause it's all about you, it's all about you Jesus**

**King of matchless worth, no one could express how much you deserve
Though I'm weak and poor, all I have is yours; every single breath
I'll bring you more than a song, for a song in itself is not what you have required
You search much deeper within and from the way things appear
You're looking into my heart**

Blessing & Sending

Worship Team - Doug Bardolph, Lori Helmus, Erin Lanenga,
Tim Lundeen, Kyle Olson, Glenn Vanderveld

THIS WEEK AT ELMHURST CRC

This week we'll continue our look at Worship in the New Testament by considering worship as a verb and as something we do both on Sunday mornings and in everyday life. Turns out, what happens during Sunday-morning worship hasn't changed much over the last 2,000 years. The early Christians were a counter-cultural presence who made a difference in their world not only in Sunday morning practices, but in their Monday through Saturday practices. Though American culture and circumstances are vastly different from 2,000 years ago, worshiping in every aspect of life is a spiritual possibility that hasn't changed.

NEXT WEEK AT ELMHURST CRC

Next Sunday we begin our "Reform School" series with the first of the "Five Solas": Sola Gratia, or Grace Alone. Sin is the big problem of the human race. Sin's consequences are so devastating that we are powerless to save ourselves. But God has a rescue plan! His mercy and grace are personified in the Second Person of the Holy Trinity. We are rescued, ransomed, and redeemed by Jesus and his gift of grace. Our part is to cooperate with the wind of the Holy Spirit by keeping the window of faith wide open. This common call is what binds all Christians together. Our text for the morning is Ephesians 2:1-10. We will also celebrate Worldwide Communion Sunday together in a Family Service. Communion will be served via intinction and is, as always, open to all baptized members.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Join us in praying for each other. To send your prayer requests or praises to be included in the email prayer chain, or to receive a daily email of these requests, email prayer@elmhurstcrc.org or call the church office at 630-600-5100. **If you would like your prayer request included in the weekly announcements in the worship folder please email Lisa Capozzoli, Director of Care and Community, lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special offerings will be taken during Elmhurst CRC's worship services in order to assist with the hurricane relief work of World Renew, an organization born from within the Christian Reformed Church, which specializes in disaster relief and community development work. You are encouraged to use the envelopes provided inside the worship folder to appropriately direct your special gifts and offerings.

Is your family looking for an opportunity to serve in a ministry together? Look no further! **The Java Stop is looking for families with children age 12 or older to serve** one Sunday a month (or possibly less). No experience is needed, as you'll be fully trained. If you're interested, text Denise Mason-Smith at 708-650-0014 or Bethany DeHaan at 872-205-0005.

The 2017 member directories have arrived! If you were photographed, please pick up your after worship in the lobby of ECRC today, October 1, and October 8.

Parents of College Students and Military Personnel: ECRC has the privilege to “get to” supply our college students and military personnel with goodie boxes twice a year, prior to the traditional exam times. To sign your child up for a goodie box, please stop at the Information Center and complete a form located in the white binder titled College Exam Boxes. Questions? Contact Kathy Feringa at 630-728-3368 (mobile) or via email at Kathy.feringa@alloyacorp.org.

Handbell Choir is open to new members! If you would like to be part of a group that enjoys making music and serving in worship, please email Mary Reitsma at dmajreitsma@att.net or leave a message at 847-776-6428. We welcome newcomers as well as experienced handbell players. Rehearsals begin in early October!

Celebrate Christian Education and Support Youth Mission Trips: ECRC and Timothy Christian Schools are hosting an afternoon Celebrating Christian Education. The event will be held **October 8 at 4 pm** in Timothy’s new Middle School Building (188 W. Butterfield Road, Elmhurst). A free-will offering dinner to benefit upcoming youth mission trips and informal tours will be held following the program. Rev. Tim Blackmon, Wheaton College’s Chaplain who is ordained in the Christian Reformed Church, will address “*The Value of Christian Education*” and the benefits of an education that connects the mind, soul and heart. This event is open to all. Before serving as Wheaton College’s Chaplain, Rev. Blackmon served as senior pastor and head of staff at American Protestant Church of The Hague, in the Netherlands. Rev. Blackmon was raised in the Netherlands, and he returned to his native country in 2008 to serve at the church he attended as a child. Matt Davidson, Superintendent of Timothy Christian Schools, will detail the mission of Timothy Christian Schools and the completion of Project Impact—the new Junior High School Building and High School Gymnasium. If you have questions regarding this event, contact Mimi Stanton at mimistanton@comcast.net.

Please join us for our **New Member Class, Journey to the Center of Church**, on October 10, 17, and 24 from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Upper Level Gathering Room. Anyone interested in knowing more about Christianity, the Reformed Faith, and membership at ECRC is invited to attend these classes. Childcare is provided for children under 3 years old. Please let us know if you need childcare by September 26. For more information contact Lisa Capozzoli, Director of Care and Community, at lisa.capozzoli@elmhurstcrc.org.

It’s the **ECRC Friends and Family Fall Festival!** Join us as we attend the annual Heritage Day celebration of Fischer Farm in Bensenville on October 14 from 10 am- 4pm. Event includes pony rides, petting zoo, pumpkin painting, arts and crafts, blue grass music and much more. Cost is \$6 for children and \$2 for adults. Little Lambs and ECRC staff will be at a table greet you from 10 am-noon. Details at elmhurstcrc.org/events.

PrimeTime invites you to meet FBI Special Agent Phil Andrew. Agent Andrew will speak at a meeting open to all on October 19 at 7 pm in the Garden Room of Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church. His topic will be “Negotiating for Life.” With more than 20 years experience in hostage/kidnapping cases, counterterrorism, national security and other assignments his life story will be an impactful presentation for our audience. At the end of his presentation there will be opportunity for questions. All are invited! To help us plan for refreshments sign up at the table in the lobby or call (630)530-2924 or dejong66@comcast.net.

COMMUNITY

You’re invited to the **Good News Jail & Prison Ministry Banquet benefiting Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center (JTDC) and women at the Cook County Jail**, taking place on October 9, 6:30-8 pm at Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace. The guest speaker is Director Steward from the JTDC. If you’re interested in attending, contact Janice Van Dyke-Zeilstra at 630-606-1750 or jvand@darwill.com.

Join CareNet Pregnancy Services of DuPage at their annual banquet on October 26 at Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace. CareNet shares the love of Christ and provides practical help to women in unplanned pregnancies, empowering them to choose

life. Doors open at 5:45 pm and a complimentary dinner will be served at 6:15 pm. For more information visit CaretDupage.com. To sit with our ECRC family, please RSVP to jerryamyv@comcast.net.

Timothy's Dutch Apple Pie Day is taking place on October 9 & 10. If you would like to volunteer to help or to order a pie visit www.timothychristian.com. Click on the "parents" tab at the top of the page and look under Announcements and News for "Apple Pie Day".

You're invited to join **Roseland Christian Ministries** for their First Annual Van Zanten Center Golf Outing to Fight Hunger in Roseland on October 14, at Lincoln Oaks Golf Course in Crete, IL. Proceeds will support RCM food programs at the Van Zanten Center. The tournament, lunch, and awards ceremony is \$100 per golfer. Check-in begins at 8:30 am tournament begins at 9:30 am. Register online at <http://www.roselandchristianministries.org/events/golf-outing/registration-form/> or contact Jei Wilson at 773-264-5665 for additional information.

Join Providence Life Services for the **57th annual Torchlight** on November 3! The event will return to the beautiful Union League Club of Chicago for dinner and socializing with the Providence family at this celebration of ministry. For tickets, call or email Joan Schutt at (708) 342-8108 or jschutt@provlife.com.

ELMHURST MINISTRIES FUND FINANCIAL UPDATE (as of 9/17/17)

...in support of the ministries and vision of ECRC

YTD anticipated contributions: \$1,875,000

YTD actual contributions: \$1,877,430

Annual 2017 budget: \$3,075,000

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 9-24-17

9:00 am Blended Worship
9:00 am Children's Worship
10:00 am Coffee & Community
10:30 am Contemporary Worship
10:30 am Children's Worship
11:30 am Coffee & Community
11:30 am Elder/Section Leader Reception
5:30 pm Maximum Velocity
7:00 pm The Edge

Monday, 9-25-17

Tuesday, 9-26-17

9:00 am Little Lambs
12:30 pm Coffee Break Leaders Meeting

Wednesday, 9-27-17

9:00 am Little Lambs
9:00 am Coffee Break
12:30 pm Little Lambs
12:30 pm Coffee Break
6:00 pm Prayer Time
6:15 pm GEMS
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, 9-27-17 (continued)

7:00 pm Evening Coffee Break
7:00 pm GriefShare Support Group
7:00 pm Men's Fraternity

Thursday, 9-28-17

9:00 am Little Lambs
9:00 am Coffee Break
9:00 am Men's Bible Study Group

Friday, 9-29-17

Saturday, 9-30-17

8:30 am Prayer Group

Sunday, 10-01-17

9:00 am Blended Worship
9:00 am Children's Worship
10:00 am Coffee & Community
10:30 am Contemporary Worship
10:30 am Children's Worship
11:30 am Coffee & Community
4:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
5:30 pm Maximum Velocity
7:00 pm The Edge

WELCOME

We're glad you're here.

NEW?

We would love to meet you.

Please fill out a welcome card and place it in the offering basket.

Join us for coffee in the lobby after the service.

Stop by the Information Center and let us know you're new.

SUNDAY SERVICES

9 & 10:30 am Worship Services

CHILDREN

Nursery is available for children 0 to 36 months old.

Children's Worship (10:00) meets for children 3 years old through 5th grade in the lower level

RESOURCES

Assisted listening devices are available from an usher or sound booth at the rear of sanctuary

Large print bulletins are available in the Worship Center inside the doors

PRAYER PARTNERS

Prayer partners are available after each service to pray with in the west rear of the Worship Center

GROW AND SERVE

ADULT MINISTRIES:

Find opportunities to grow and serve in

Small Groups, Coffee Break Community Bible Study, Men's Fraternity, MOPS, SHE, Prime Time (55+) and more.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Grow together, enjoy relationships, be encouraged and empowered with our student ministry programs;

Maximum Velocity (6-8th grade) and The EDGE (9th-12 grade)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

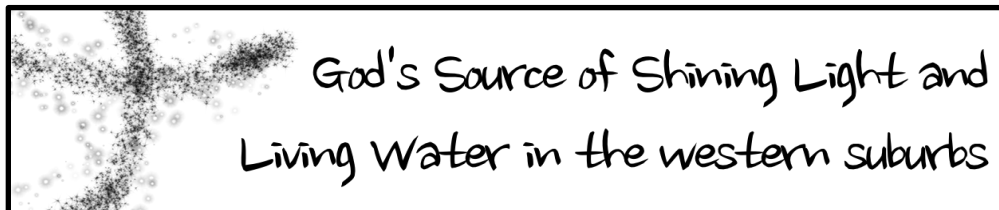
We love children, and want to help raise up children that love God and serve him.

From Nursery (0-3 years old), Little Lambs (3-6 years old), Pathfinders and Cadets (1st-8th grade boys), to GEMS (1st-8th grade girls), and much more.

More growing and serving opportunities online at elmhurstcrc.org

Pastor:

Rev. Gregg DeMey - Lead Pastor, Director of Worship - 630.600.5030 gregg.demey@elmhurstcrc.org



Complete announcements are at elmhurstcrc.org/This Week or scan the QR code below.