



Noah's Ark, Edward Hicks, American, (1780-1849)
Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia PA

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 23, 2017

10:00 a.m.

WORDS OF WELCOME – Welcome to Faith Church; we are glad you are here.
Infant and childcare (through preschool) are provided all morning in the nursery, the second room on the right through the door by the pulpit. Children through the age of 4 may proceed to the childcare room following the "Moment with Faith Kids" for the remainder of the service.
Worship Bags are available in the back pews of the sanctuary.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

The candle is lit as a symbol of our prayers for peace.

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns

Prelude Meditation

Charles Marie Widor
(1844-1937)

**Please stand if you are able.
(The congregation will read the words in bold.)*

*Call to Worship

Sandra McWhirter

One: On a hot summer day in the dust of a city street,

All: God is there.

One: On a beach by the shore where the water sparkles and the waves roar,

All: God is there.

One: Under a wide-open night sky filled with stars past counting,

All: God is there.

One: In a car, singing songs and counting fence-posts, when the journey has been long,

All: God is there.

One: Here in this place,

All: God is here.

*Hymn 664 Morning Has Broken

BUNESSAN

Prayer of Confession

Sandra McWhirter

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Silence is observed.

Assurance of Pardon

Sandra McWhirter

One: God seeks the lost,

All: That's us;

One: God adopts the strays of the world,

All: That's us;

One: God strengthens the weak,

All: That's us;

One: God forgives all who fail,

All: That's us; Thanks be to God. Amen.



***The Peace of Christ**

Sandra McWhirter

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

TO PROCLAIM AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

Moment with Faith Kids

Rev. Burns

Prayer for Illumination

Sandra McWhirter

O God, by your spirit tell us what we need to hear, and show us what we ought to do, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Lesson Leviticus 11:4-8

Sandra McWhirter

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Sermon

"Prayers from the Ark: The Camel"

Rev. Burns

***Hymn 658** God Is So Good

GOD IS SO GOOD

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Burns

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.

OFFERING

Offertory I'll Walk with God

Nicholas Brodsky
(1905-1958)

Mary Aikins-Afful, *soprano*

***Congregational Response 717**

For the Life That You Have Given

PLEADING SAVOIR

see last page

Offering Prayer

TO GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

***Hymn 19** God of Great, God of Small

GOD OF GREAT AND SMALL

***Benediction**

Rev. Burns

May God raise you up above everything, spread out like water of a lake, be abundance that never ends, that never changes, be like a mountain, be like a camel, be like a cloud – a cloud that brings rain always. And God promised that it would be so. ~ Samburu, Kenya

*The service concludes with the following postlude.
Please maintain a worshipful silence.*

Postlude *God of Grace*

Paul Manz
(1909-2009)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Christa Fuller Burns, Pastor
Dr. Samuel Springer, Minister of Music & Organist
Sandra McWhirter, Liturgist

FAITH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Day Camp with Krislund July 24 - July 28, 9:00 – 4:00

Last Day to Register.

A weeklong unique blend of outdoor ministries and congregational ministry. It is a joint effort between Krislund Camp and Faith Church designed for young people who have completed grades K-8. Registration forms are now available for Faith's Day Camp. This is a new and exciting experience for our Faith kids, their friends and neighborhood children.

Lemonade Fellowship

Mary Ellen Curtis is once again coordinating Lemonade Fellowship following worship. Please let her know if you are willing to host a Sunday and provide lemonade, a sugar-free drink and some goodies to be enjoyed under the portico or in the narthex if it is unbearably hot.

Joys and Concerns may be written before the service in a special book in the narthex. The book will be brought to the minister before the prayer.

Please pray for our homebound members:

Luckye Austin
Nancy Stutzer

Christian Dunyoh
Betty Lou Tampieri

Esmie & Leon Stirling
Dot Weller

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Session

William Curtis, Clerk

2018	2019	2020
Ellsworth Jackson	Kay Ballard	Mike Billings
Pat Nesbitt	Andy Fuller	Scott Bissett
Judy Sperling	Neil Nemser	Bobby Hall
Krista Wallace	Randy Woodfield	Carl Herber

Deacons

Dawn Shirey, Moderator

2018	2019	2020
Anna Burns	Ken Archie	Chandra Jackson
Gail Poorbaugh	Karen Burd	Susan Minor
Dawn Shirey	Mary Hodgson	
	Robin Nemser	

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For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in

Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these

gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es;

heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to

love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

The text was commissioned in 1987 by Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago, where it has continued to be used each Sunday as the offertory response. The triune activity of God as Creator (line 1), Savior (line 2), and Sustainer (line 7) enables and inspires our thanks and praise.