

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 21, 2012
10:45 a.m.

Please enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship in silence.

Every time we say, "I believe in the Holy Spirit", we mean that we believe that there is a Living God able and willing to enter human persons and change them."
(J.B. Phillips)

*"For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many."*
(Mark 10:45)

GATHERING TOGETHER

Prelude

Greeting and Life of the Church

Please sign the attendance pad at the end of the pew and pass it down the row.

Anthem of Praise

"How Excellent Is Thy Name"

Eugene Butler

*Call to Worship (Psalm 28:8-9)

The LORD is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

O save your people, and bless your heritage; be our shepherd and carry us forever.

*Hymn 61

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

*Invocation

**God of life,
your praise fills our hearts and the song we sing.
In creation we wonder at your beauty;
your love is boundless, your care without limits.
We enter this sanctuary to give you honor;
we bow down before you in glad adoration.
Receive our worship and accept our thanksgiving.
You are God whom we serve evermore.
Amen.**

GATHERING WITH WORD AND SPIRIT

Hebrew Scripture

Isaiah 53:4-12

Confession of Sin

Silent reflection—*"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way,
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all."*

News of Mercy and Grace

Choral Response

"Marvelous Grace"

Daniel Towner

Time with Children

*Hymn (insert)

"Are Ye Able," said the Master

Children through fifth grade are dismissed for classes.

Proclamation

*Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

People of God, People of Justice: 6) Self-Sacrifice

RESPONSE

Choral Anthem
Prayers of the Church

"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"

Gillard

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Response (581, verse 3)

Come, Spirit come, our hearts control,

Our spirits long to be made whole.

Let inward love guide every deed.

By this we worship and are freed.

Prayer of Dedication

GOING FORTH

*Hymn 374 *"Savior, While My Heart is Tender"* HYFRODOL

*Charge

*Sung Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you,

the Lord make his face to shine upon you

and be gracious, gracious, gracious to you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you,

and give you, give you, give you peace.

Tolling

*Postlude

Following the postlude, a Stephen Minister will be available
near the stained glass windows for anyone interested in individual prayer.

**Please stand as you are able.*

Welcome! We pray that you will experience anew the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ as we worship together.

Our thanks to Scott and Greta Bailey, sanctuary greeters, Ken Erickson, Dick Johnson, Elvida Johnson, Thom Morris, Peter Westerfield, ushers; Marjorie Eckhardt, Scripture Reader; Greg and Michelle Butz and Richard and Nancy Spears, coffee hosts; Nancy Magill (piano).

WINNETKA COVENANT CHURCH
October 21, 2012

TODAY IN OUR CHURCH:

If you are visiting today, welcome! Please join us in the narthex immediately following the worship service for coffee and conversation. All are welcome.

- 8:30 a.m. Early Worship and Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. For adults, 1) *The Story* in Room 203 and 2) *Justice for the Poor* in the Upper Room. More class information is available in the Network.
10:45 a.m. Worship
3:00 p.m. **Fall Fest and Kids Concert on the Steps** to raise money for the new playground! Come at 3:00 p.m. for fun, carnival games, popcorn, prizes, face painting, apple cider, taffy apples and more, then stay for the concert by kids musician, Jeanie B at 4 pm. Support us by bringing your family and friends to enjoy the event. We are excited about the potential for the new playground space and we think you will be too! Questions? Contact a member of the Playground Committee: Greta Bailey, Jeanne Couleur, Chris Drimalla, Kira Johnson, Linnea Johnson or Linda Kusel.
6:00 p.m. Confirmation
6:30 p.m. High League—North Side Youth Collision, a collaboration of north side Covenant youth groups for fellowship.

MONDAY—OCTOBER 22

All articles for the November issue of Network are due in the church office.

TUESDAY—OCTOBER 23

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study—The Study of Genesis, led by Joann Larson. All are welcome.
9:45 a.m. Playgroup will meet at church. Contact: Kira Johnson.
7:00 p.m. Mens Basketball

WEDNESDAY—OCTOBER 24

- 10:00 a.m. Staff meeting
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner. All are welcome. Cost: \$3.50/adult; \$2.50/child or \$10/family. Cleanup: Book/Film Group.
6:00 p.m. Adult Bell Choir rehearsal
6:15 p.m. Singing, Skits and Scripture in the Upper Room. All are welcome.
6:45 p.m. Programs for all ages, ending at 7:45 p.m. Explorers (ages 2-3); Voyagers (ages 4-Kindergarten); Pathfinders (grades 1-2); Trailblazers (grades 3-5) Junior High
6:45 p.m. Book/Film Group in the Prayer Room. We are reading *Rediscovering Our Values* by Jim Wallis.
6:45 p.m. The Story in Room 203
6:45 p.m. Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY—OCTOBER 25

- 12 noon Women's Sharing Group will meet at Bakers Square. All are welcome. Contact Marian Eckhardt.
1:00 p.m. Womens Bible Study - "*David, Seeking a Heart Like His*", by Beth Moore. More information available in the Network. Contact Claire Macfarland.

FRIDAY—OCTOBER 26

Senior High depart for retreat at Covenant Harbor.

SATURDAY—OCTOBER 27

- 8:00 a.m. Mens Fellowship

SUNDAY—OCTOBER 28

- 8:30 a.m. Early Worship and Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. For adults, 1) *The Story* in Room 203 and 2) *Justice for the*

10:45 a.m. *Poor* in the Upper Room. More class information is available in the Network.
Worship
5:00 p.m. **WCC Harvest Dinner**—potluck dinner, fellowship, program, and a time to bring our Christmas gifts to the career Covenant missionaries that we support. We will be communicating with Christine Buettgen through Skype (an internet communication) and she will be updating us on her work in the Congo. For the potluck, bring one dish — enough for your family plus five. Please label your dishes and drop them off in the kitchen before the program. There are ovens to keep your dish warm if necessary. Table service, dessert and beverages will be provided. All are welcome—bring your friends! **Confirmation students** will attend the Harvest Dinner

ADVANCE CALENDAR

Tuesday, November 6 (Election Day), 7:00 p.m. **Prayer and Holy Communion** in the sanctuary.

Tuesday, November 20, 7:00 p.m. **Winnetka Interfaith Council Thanksgiving Service** at Winnetka Presbyterian Church (Willow & Hibbard Rds.). Jill Brickman, Northfield Township Supervisor and manager of the Northfield Township Food Pantry will be the speaker. All are welcome. Childcare will be provided.

Saturday, December 1, 9:00 a.m. **Lucia Breakfast, Program and Boutique.**

- ◆ **Breakfast:** Reservations for the breakfast will be taken on November 11. Tickets are \$15/adults and \$7.50/children. Reservations sell quickly, so plan accordingly.
- ◆ **Program:** Children through high school and some adults participate in the story of Santa Lucia (celebrated in Sweden as the beginning of the Advent season). All are welcome to attend the program, which immediately follows the breakfast, and it is free.
- ◆ **Boutique:** Deli items, baked goods, and other unique items sold by friends in our church available to purchase following the Program. If you would like to have a table to sell items, contact Jane Rivi.
- ◆ There will be opportunity to bake for the breakfast and for the sale. Watch your bulletin for details as they become available. Contact Inger Eiesland Schultz or Jen Anderson for more information.

Saturday, December 8, 8:30-noon. **Advent Unplugged: Preparing for the Holidays in a New Way**, an Advent Mini-Retreat in the Upper Room, facilitated by Doug Wysockey-Johnson, Executive Director of Lumunos. All are welcome. Cost: \$15. Complimentary childcare provided—please sign up if needed. Register on the church website (www.winnetkacovenant.org) or call the church office.

Sunday, December 9, 5:00 p.m. **Children's Sunday School program.** Rehearsals will begin on November 11. Contact Dawn Pegis with questions.

Sunday, December 16, 5:00 p.m. **Choir Christmas Concert**

NOTICES

Larger print copies of the morning hymns are available on the table in the back of the church near the sound booth. Children's bulletins are also available in the narthex. Please help yourself as needed.

Updated church directories are available to pick up in the narthex after the worship service.

The **handbell choir** has immediate openings for full time and part time ringers. We rehearse Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in the choir room. Please consider joining us!

Church Membership. New members will be welcomed into the Church on Sunday, December 9. If you have interest in taking this important step, contact Pastor Hawkinson or the church office. Welcome!

Family Promise is participating in the Community Days fundraiser at Carson's stores,. Coupon books (including at \$10 off coupon) are available in the church office for \$5.00. The event takes place November 9 and 10.

The Story: A journey together into the story of God's love, continues Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m., and Sundays, 9:30 a.m. *The Story* is scripture condensed into 31 accessible chapters, allowing the stories, poems and teachings of the Bible to read like a novel. Materials will be provided. All are welcome.

Sometimes we feel like we have to take on life all by ourselves. But there is no need to.

Consider a Stephen Minister. To find out more, contact one of our pastors or Stephen Ministry leaders Karen Tzanetopoulus or Karla Fogel.

Texts for next week: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 46; Romans 3:19-28; John 8:31-36

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Peter Hawkinson, Pastor
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Arthur Nelson, Parish Associate
Dawn Pegis, Director of Music
Joshua Smith, Organist
Dominic German, Music Intern
The Stephen Ministers

Our mission is to be a Christian community and to proclaim the gospel, worshiping together in love, nurturing people in the faith, serving others as Christian disciples, and building a world of justice and hope in the name of Christ.

At Winnetka Covenant Church:

We hold grace as our highest value.
We practice honest, open, direct communication.
We speak the truth in love and listen in love.
We believe the best about each other, valuing others above ourselves, as Christ does.
We allow room for mistakes, acknowledging that mistakes are part of the growth process.