

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
Northside Presbyterian Church - November 14, 2021  
*(Please pick up a hymnal if you prefer to use one when singing)*

Prelude Arioso by J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

Mitchell Skowbo

*Lord, we come here with lots of things on our minds.*  
**But now we turn our focus to you.**

*Help us to put aside our assignments and schedules.*  
**Replace our worry with peace.**

*Guide us as we worship you.*

**Give us the ability to sing, pray, and learn more about you, O God.**

HYMN\*

*"Let All Things Now Living"*

(37, v. 1-2)

**1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;  
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
by guiding us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:  
till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished,  
as forward we travel from light into light.**

**2 By law God enforces, the stars in their courses,  
the sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration, a song let us raise,  
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!**

OPENING PRAYER\*

Carter Griffin

CALL TO CONFESSION

Isaac Zheng

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Searcher of hearts, you have known us from the beginning. You see in us more good and beauty than we have dared to believe. Forever you call us by name. But we have filled our lives with the sounds of the world. We have not loved and sought you with**

**all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy and forgive us.**

**Gracious God, searcher of hearts, help us to know and to live in your forgiving light. Empower and embolden us to live in such a way that all of the people we encounter in our world would experience the joy and passion of your love through what we say and do. We ask in the name that is above all names, Jesus our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

OFFERING OF MUSIC – *“A Joyful Song”* – Adult Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Erin Cox

SCRIPTURE – Erin Freck

Isaiah 43:1-3a

John 14:23-27

SERMON

*“Receive Christ’s Peace”*

Kathy Carpenter

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From A Brief Statement of Faith) Kate Herrema

**In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all people to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”**

**With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

HYMN\*

*“What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine”* (837. v. 1, 3)

**1 What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms.  
Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sydney Weeks

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Alexandra Dagli

BENEDICTION

Sami Febles

POSTLUDE

*Minuet by J.S. Bach*

Erin Freck

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – to elect new church officers

*Please be in prayer for:*

Revathi Balakrishnan

Drew Taylor & family

Wayne Brill

Edd Stoops

Susan Dickerson

Andy & Jean Robeson

Ron Pearson

Wava Bowles

Susan Miller

Wanda Price

Frances Hutcheson/Dowdy

Dennis Sweeney

Jeff Kallas (Bronwyn Robinson's husband)

Jerry Robinson

Tammy McClintock

Larry Loughborough

Gavin Adams

Louise Bloss

David Meincke

Betty Simpkins

Harvey Sowers

Philip Tompkins

All those suffering with Covid or grieving the loss of a loved one

Musicians: Marya Katz, Charles Bostian, Ann Marie Conner, Jack Webster, Pat Fullen (varies)

Video Technicians – Marshall Chaney, Bruce Harper, Alex Chaney

Liturgy from [UWorship Resource](#) from UKIRK Ministries, P.C.(U.S.A.)

**Thanks to all the students from UKirk at Virginia Tech and to our campus minister, Rev. Kathy Carpenter, for preparing and leading worship this morning.**