



THE COMMUNITY OF ST. PHILIP
AT WORSHIP
MAY 26, 2019
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Preparation for Worship

*With you, O God, to guide me,
I journey on my way.
I know you are beside me
all through the night and day.
Within your hand you hold me;
what do I have to fear?
Your loving arms enfold me,
your grace is always near. Amen.*

—based on a prayer of Columba (c.521-597)

Tolling of the Hour—II

Greeting

Please sign and pass the friendship folder.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Voluntary

Messe pour les Couvents
Plein jeu | Fugue sur la Trompette

François Couperin
(1668-1733)

Introit—II

Announce the Good News

Chant

Announce the good news with a joyful shout,
and let it be heard, alleluia.
Proclaim the tidings to the ends of the earth:
the LORD has delivered his people, alleluia, alleluia.
O be joyful in God all you lands:
sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glory of his praise.

— Isaiah 48:20 | Psalm 66:1-2

✦ Call to Worship

✦ Hymn 12 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

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✦ Prayer of Confession

Almighty God,
you love us, but we have not loved you.
You call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.
We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of grace,
Help us to admit our sin,
so that as you come to us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our redeemer.

(silent prayer)

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

✦ Declaration of Forgiveness

Believe the Good News. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

✦ Response

Paul M. Vasile, 2008

1. Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2. World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be. A - men.

✦ The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Signs of peace and reconciliation may be exchanged.

Conversation with Children & Teacher Recognition—II

*Afterwards, children may stay with their parents, or infants to age 4
may go to child care in Room 106.*

Prayer for Illumination

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem—II*In My Father's House*Philip Stopford
(b. 1977)

*In my Father's house are many dwellings, and if I go to prepare a place for you,
I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.*

Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me.
In my Father's house are many dwelling places.
If there were not, would I have told you I am going to prepare a place for you?

Where I am going, you know the way.
For I am the way, the truth, and the life;
no one comes to the Father except through me.
If you know me, you know also my Father.

My spirit will be with you always.
The Advocate, the Spirit of Truth will remind you of all I have said.
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled; do not be afraid.
I have told you I will come back to you; have faith in me.

— words from John 14

Sermon

Look No Further

Omar Rouchon

Silence and stillness✠ **Hymn 177***I Will Come to You*

YOU ARE MINE

✠ **Affirmation of Faith**

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

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.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering

*Gifts may be given anytime at www.saintphilip.net
or text "SPPC" to 73256 and follow the prompts.*

Offertory

If Ye Love Me

Philip Wilby
(b. 1949)

✠ Response

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise
God, all crea-tures high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia! Praise God in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre -
a - tor, Word, and Spir - it one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

✠ Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Gracious God, you have given freely unto us, and ask that we share
who we are and what we have to serve the needs of the world.

**We offer these gifts to you, and pray that they will further
your will for a world where all of creation is made whole.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

✦ **Charge and Blessing**

Kindly remain in silence during the closing voluntary/benediction, or depart very quietly.

✦ **Closing Voluntary**

Messe pour les Couvents

François Couperin

✦ Indicates worshippers are invited to stand in either body or spirit.

Words in bold type are to be read or sung together.

I - 8:30 a.m. II - 11:00 a.m.

 **SERVING TODAY**

PASTORS

John W. Wurster
Keatan King
Omar Rouchon

LITURGIST

Bill Connolly

CHANCEL GUILD

Jane Larkin

GREETERS

Stewardship Committee

MUSICIANS

St. Philip Choir (II)
Cecilia Duarte, soloist
& cantor (I/II)
Eleanor Grant, conductor (II)
Randall Swanson,
Organist/pianist (I/II)

 **FLOWERS**

The flowers are given by Jan and Jack Fox to the glory of God and in celebration of their 45th anniversary.

 **WORSHIP NOTES**

Today, we recognize our 2018-19 Sunday School teachers:

Godly Play

Omi Ford
Joyce Fox
Ruthie Waldrop

Elementary

Paul Arlinghaus
Linda Bevill
Kara D'Agostino
Paul D'Agostino

Children's Music

Cecy Duarte

Middle School

Judith Hiott
Jack Lippincott

High School

John Lemen
Keatan King

SPa – St. Philip Adults

Omar Rouchon

Bible Study

Al Waldrop

Church & Society

Mickey Meyers
C.J. Miller

Today's readings from the Revised Common Lectionary are:

Acts 16:9–15—*Hearing Paul in Macedonia, Lydia and her household are baptized.*

Psalm 67—*May God be gracious and bless us; let the whole earth praise God.*

Revelation 21:10, *A vision of the holy city; the river of life flows from God's throne.*

John 14:23–29—*Jesus says: Keep my word; the Spirit will teach you; I give you peace.*

MUSIC NOTES

Organ music — During his early 20s, François Couperin wrote two collections of organ music to be used in the traditional French liturgical services of the period, the organ alternating in dialogue with sung chant throughout the liturgy. His *Messe pour les Paroisses* was composed for use in regular parish churches, and his *Messe pour les Couvents* (which we hear selections from this morning) was written for use in monastic convents or abbey churches. These short organ pieces would have been preceded or followed by equally brief Gregorian chants, in a practice called *alternatim*, with chanters singing a verse, and the organ playing another (without singers) in alternation back and forth until reaching the end of that particular part of the liturgy (the Kyrie, or Gloria, for example). Our **opening voluntary** this morning features two of the organ pieces from the Kyrie of Couperin's Convent Mass, and the **closing voluntary** comes from the same collection's Agnus Dei.

Choral music — This morning's **anthem** uses words from the 14th chapter of the Gospel of John in a setting by British composer Philip Stopford, who currently serves as director of music at Christ Church (Episcopal) in Bronxville, NY. *In My Father's House* was commissioned for the choir of St. Petronille Parish in Glen Ellyn, IL, and was premiered on the 90th anniversary of the parish on April 19, 2015. Like much of Stopford's music, the anthem is written in a very accessible and affective style, both for the choir and for listeners. • Today's **offertory** is by British composer Philip Wilby, who is Professor Emeritus in the School of Music at the University of Leeds.

—Randall Swanson

Pray for Austin College



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