

Traditional Service

11:00 am

Prelude

Partita on "St. Anne," Op. 6: II.  
Adagio, VI. Fugue-Finale  
(Composer: Paul Manz)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;  
Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before him with thanksgiving  
and extol him with music and song.  
Come, let us bow down in worship,  
Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.  
For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture.  
ALL: We are the flock under his care.

Hymn #575

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Responsive Reading

Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.  
Know that the Lord is God.  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;  
Give thanks to him and praise his name.  
All: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

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.  
(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)  
In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Pastor: Friends, believe the Good News:  
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Response

Glory be to the Father #961

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be  
World without end. Amen, Amen.

Passing the Peace

Hymn #257

Blest Be the Tie That Binds  
(verses 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6)

Scripture Reading

1 John 3:1a and Colossians 3:12-17  
This is the Word of the Lord  
Thanks be to God!

Sermon

An Inviting Fellowship  
Deeply Connected: Fostering Christ-  
Centered Fellowship

Musical Reflection

We Are One in Christ  
(Music by G. Holst, Arr. James Chepponis)

Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

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.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn #934

God of Mercy, God of Grace

Benediction

Postlude

O God, Our Help in Ages Past  
(Composer: Healey Willan)

Worship Participants

Welcome & Sermon	Rev. Dr. Spencer Lundgaard
Announcements & Liturgy	Rev. Greg Buell
Contemporary Worship Leader	Luke Stoner
Praise Music	Village Church Worship Band
Director of Traditional Music	Dr. Yongmin Kim
Choral Music	Village Church Choir
Song Leader	Peter Morgan
Organist	Sharon Peterson
Scripture Reader	Elaine Holmquist (9:30)
& Prayers of the People	Wally Kelley (11:00)

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Contemporary Service9:30 am

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

Great Things

His Glory and My Good

Prayer of Confession

Gratitude

Passing the Peace

Announcements

(Offerings are received weekly via mail and online giving at <https://villagechurchnorthbrook.org/give/> . Those attending live worship can leave their donations in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary.)

Scripture Reading1 John 3:1a and Colossians 3:12-17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon

An Inviting Fellowship

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Closing Song

The Church

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Blessing

Questions for Discussion

Read 1 John 3:1a

1. How is God the Father’s love for us described in this verse, and how would you put this in your own words?
2. What has God’s love accomplished for us according to this passage?
3. What does it mean to be a child of God? When do you most feel like a child of God?

Read Colossians 3:12-17

1. What label does Paul give followers of Christ described in the opening of verse 12? What does it mean to be holy and dearly loved?
2. As the God’s chosen people were delivered from slavery in Egypt in the Old Testament, how would you describe and contrast the redemption and deliverance of the followers of Jesus?
3. How are God’s chosen ones commanded to clothe themselves? What does that look like in everyday life? (v.12b)
4. What does it mean to bear with one another? Why is forgiveness so important in the life of a Christian? What makes it challenging? What is our motivation to do so? (v.13)
5. How does love bring about unity? Where have you seen evidence of this in your own life? Where do you see unity challenged? (v.14)
6. What is the peace of Christ and what is the reason given for letting it rule in our hearts? (v.14)
7. How many times is gratitude and thanksgiving mentioned in verses 15-17? Why do you think Paul emphasizes it so?
8. How are believers to let the message of Christ dwell among them? How are we to do this, and what’s an example from your own life? (v.16)
9. What is the goal behind everything we do in life? When is this most natural for you? When can it be challenging? (v.17)

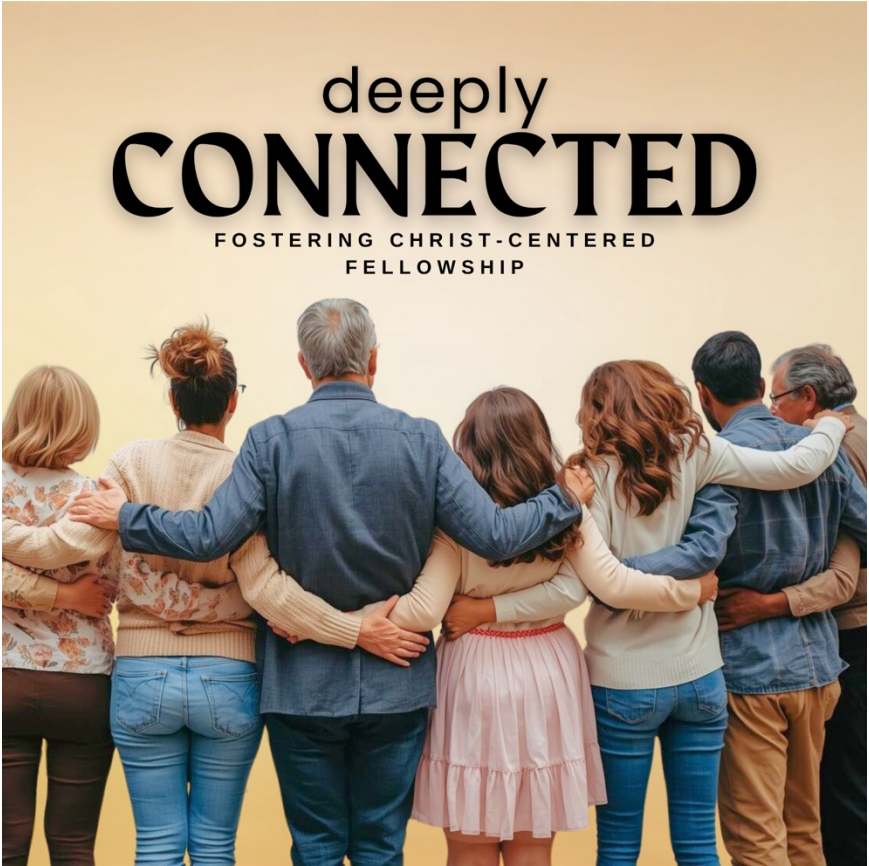
Prayer Concerns & Closing Prayer

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