

# Contemporary Service

9:30 am

# Reflection Questions

## Welcome and Call to Worship

## Praise and Prayer

### House of the Lord

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## Prayer of Confession

## Morning by Morning

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## Passing the Peace

## Kids' Time

## Announcements

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

## Minute for Ministry 20th Anniversary of Mexico Cistern Project

## Scripture Reading Acts 9:1-9

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;

All: Thanks be to God!

## Sermon Jesus and the Bridge to Transformation

*The Walk: Crossing the Bridges Jesus Built*

## Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

## Closing Song Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

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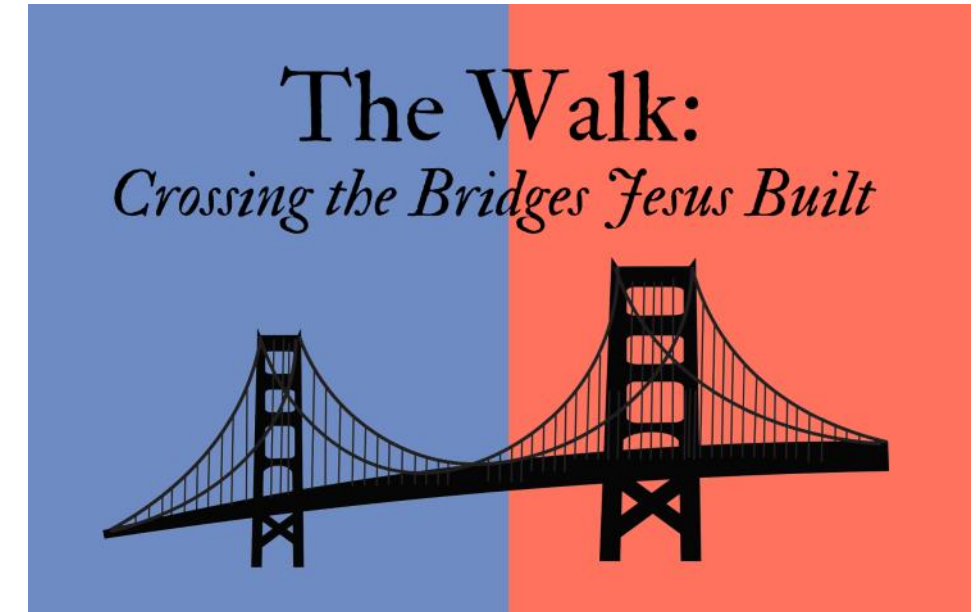
## Blessing

## *The Walk: Crossing the Bridges Jesus Built*

### Jesus and Paul

### Acts 9:1-9 (17-22)

1. Do you think anyone is beyond the saving power of Christ? What is the biggest transformation that you've witnessed or heard about?
2. Read Acts 9:1-9. How is Saul/Paul described in verses 1-2? Why do you think he acted this way?
3. How does Paul encounter Jesus in this passage? What is unique about his appearance to Paul with that of the other disciples? (vs. 2-3, 7)
4. What does Jesus do to Paul to get his attention? What does he tell him to do? (vs.5-6)
5. What was Paul's condition immediately after encountering Jesus? (vs.7-9)
6. Read Acts 9:17-22. How does Paul regain his sight? What does he do immediately afterward? (vs.17-19)
7. How was Paul different after this experience? Compare vs. 1-2 with vs. 20-22.
8. In your life, what was your experience of coming to faith in Jesus? How was your life different immediately afterward? Is transformation in the Holy Spirit always immediate? Explain.
9. Pray for those who are still "blind" in the world and don't yet know Jesus.



## Program Staff

Spencer Lundgaard, Senior Pastor  
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# Traditional Service

11:00 am

**Prelude**      **Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now**  
(Composer: J.G. Walther)

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

**Leader:** This is the Day that the Lord has made.

**People:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

**Opening Hymn**      **Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies**      #667

**Responsive Reading**      **Psalm 19:1-10**

The heavens are telling the glory of God;  
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

**Day to day pours forth speech,  
and night to night declares knowledge.**

There is no speech, nor are there words;  
their voice is not heard;

**Yet their voice goes out through all the earth,  
and their words to the end of the world.**

**In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,**  
which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,  
and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

**Its rising is from the end of the heavens,  
and its circuit to the end of them;  
and nothing is hid from its heat.**

The law of the LORD is perfect,  
reviving the soul;

the decrees of the LORD are sure,  
**The precepts of the LORD are right,  
rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear,  
enlightening the eyes;**

The fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring forever;  
the ordinances of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.

**More to be desired are they than gold,  
even much fine gold;  
sweeter also than honey,  
and drippings of the honeycomb.**

**Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

*(People silently offer their personal confessions to God.)*

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

**Leader:** 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**

**Minute for Ministry**      **20th Anniversary of Mexico Cistern Project**

**Anthem**      **Sing Praises to God**  
(Composer: James Biery)

**Scripture Reading**      **Acts 9:1-9**

**Leader:** This is the Word of the Lord;

**All:** Thanks be to God!

**Sermon**      **Jesus and the Bridge to Transformation**  
*The Walk: Crossing the Bridges Jesus Built*

**Music for Reflection**      **Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise**  
(Composer: Gerald Near)

**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 & 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.

**Closing Hymn**

**Amazing Grace**  
Verses 1-3, 5

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**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Rondeau**  
(Composer: Henry Purcell)

## Worship Participants

Sermon  
Liturgist  
Announcements  
Minute for Ministry  
Scripture Readers

Luke Stoner  
Greg Buell  
Spencer Lundgaard  
Todd Luke  
Jim Pugh (9:30)  
Jack West (11:00)  
Spencer Lundgaard  
Sharon Peterson (11:00)  
Village Church Choir (11:00)

Prayers of the People  
Organist  
Anthem

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