

Contemporary Service

9:30 am

Reflection Questions

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer

There's Nothing That Our God Can't Do

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Prayer of Confession

His Mercy is More

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Passing the Peace

Announcements

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Scripture Reading Matthew 8:5-13

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Jesus and the Bridge of Faith *The Walk: Crossing the Bridges Jesus Built*

Communion

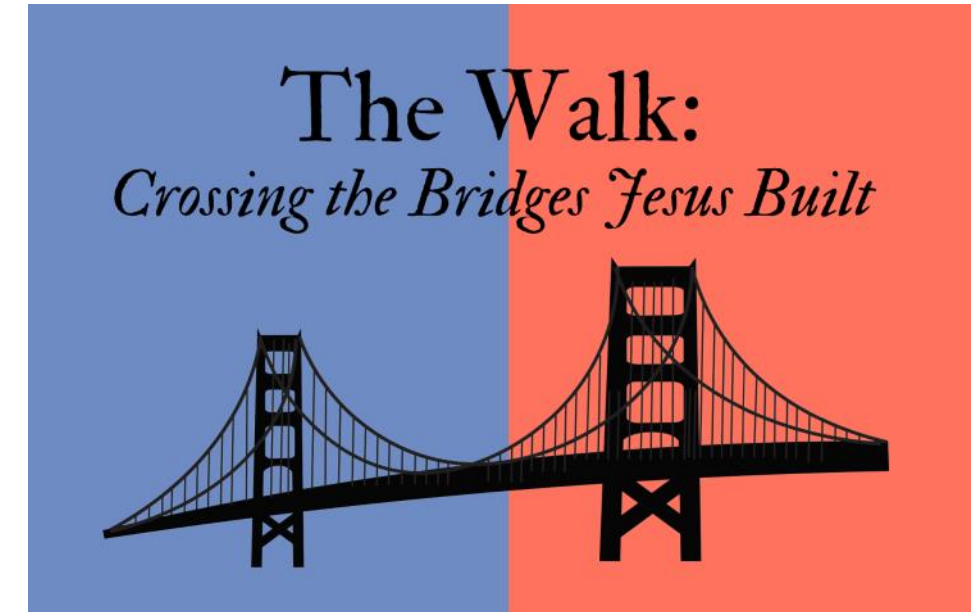
Closing Song The Table

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Blessing

The Walk: Crossing the Bridges Jesus Built Jesus and the Centurion Matthew 8:5-13

1. What do you think it means to have "faith" in Jesus?
2. What does the Centurion do in v.5? Why would this be unexpected in first century Palestine?
3. What does v.6 reveal about the Centurion's character?
4. Why would Jesus' response be surprising to Jews in the crowd witnessing this conversation? (see vs.7-8a)
5. How does the Centurion's statement in vs. 8b-10 reveal the man's faith? What does the man believe about Jesus?
6. Read Isaiah 43:1-7. Who are those being gathered from the east and the west in this passage? According to Luke 5:11-12, who is included in this gathering as well? Who is not included?
7. What are some of the major people groups/cultures outside our own that exist in the Northbrook area? How effective is the church at reaching these people for Christ? What do you think the reason for this is?
8. How might you reach out and welcome someone from another culture? Is there a person or people group that God has put on your heart?
9. Pray for the Spirit to guide you and move you to reach out to other cultures other than your own, right here on the Northshore.



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October 2, 2022

Traditional Service

11:00 am

Prelude **Christ, Comforter of the World**
(Composer: J.S. Bach)

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 **O God, Our Help in Ages Past** #405

Responsive Reading **Psalm 31:1-5, 23-24**

In you, LORD, I have taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame;
deliver me in your righteousness.

**Turn your ear to me, come quickly to my rescue;
be my rock of refuge,
a strong fortress to save me.**

Since you are my rock and my fortress,
for the sake of your name lead and guide me.

**Keep me free from the trap that is set for me,
for you are my refuge.**

Into your hands I commit my spirit;
deliver me, LORD, my faithful God.

**Love the LORD, all his faithful people!
The LORD preserves those who are true to him,
but the proud he pays back in full.**

Be strong and take heart,
all you who hope in the LORD.

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord Almighty, through the ages you have been a refuge and fortress; you have come to your people in need; but we have forgotten your wonderful deeds and act as if we are on our own in this world. You are our Faithful God and are mighty to save; forgive us for our fickle faith and our inability to trust you with our whole heart. Help us to believe that you are always with us to the very end of the age, that we may live lives filled with hope and promise.

(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

Anthem **Draw the Circle Wide**
(Composer: Mark Miller)

Scripture Reading **Matthew 8:5-13**
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;
All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon **Jesus and the Bridge of Faith**
The Walk: Crossing the Bridges Jesus Built

Music for Reflection **The Church's One Foundation**
(Composer: Malcolm Archer)

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.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Affirmation of Faith **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and was born of the virgin
Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was
buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of
the body, and the life everlasting. 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.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Communion Reflection **We Adore Thee, O Blessed Savior**
(Composer: Healey Wilan)

Closing Hymn **In Christ There is No East or West** #268

Benediction

Postlude **In Christ There is No East or West**
(Composer: Healey Wilan)

Worship Participants

Sermon/Communion
Worship Leader/Liturgist
Scripture Readers

Greg Buell
Luke Stoner
Sue Blue (9:30)
Pat Young-Keating (11:00)
Sharon Peterson (11:00)
Village Church Choir

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