

Contemporary Service

9:30 am

Welcome and Call to Worship

Praise and Prayer Alive and Breathing
Come as You Are
Prayer of Confession
Fresh Wind

Passing the Peace

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.)

Scripture Reading Acts 1:6-8

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;
All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon You Will Be My Witnesses

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Closing Song The Blessing

Blessing



Program Staff

Spencer Lundgaard, Senior Pastor
Greg Buell, Associate Pastor for Discipleship & Caring Ministries
Ed Burton, Minister of Family Ministries
Luke Stoner, Minister of Contemporary Worship/Sr. High Youth
Jesse Borower, Director of Music (Traditional)



January 22, 2023

Traditional Service

11:00 am

Prelude **Hymns of Witness**
(Composers: Olsen, Weinhorst, Arnatt)

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 **Lord of All Hopefulness** **#378**

Responsive Reading **Psalm 67**

May God be gracious to us and bless us and
make his face shine on us--
so that your ways may be known on earth,
your salvation among all nations.

**May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you.**

May the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you rule the peoples with equity and
guide the nations of the earth.

**May the peoples praise you, God;
may all the peoples praise you.**

The land yields its harvest;
God, our God, blesses us.

**May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the
earth will fear him.**

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

O Lord our God, You are holy, but like Isaiah we are people of unclean lips. Yet still, you call each of us into Your service. Too often we make excuses; like Moses, we are not eloquent speakers. Like Jeremiah, we are too young. Like Sarah, we are too old. Like the rich young ruler, we do not want to give away our belongings. Like Jonah, we run in the other direction when You call. Forgive us, O Lord, for refusing to see that You are with us. We need the fire of Your burning coals to make us clean. We need your Holy Spirit to strengthen us to turn toward You and take up Your cross. We need Your sacrifice to be freed to follow You, to show the world Your love every day. Embolden us to hear and answer your call.

(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

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Anthem **Christ is Made the Sure Foundation**
(Composer: Dale Wood)

Scripture Reading **Acts 1:6-8**

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord;

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon **You Will Be My Witnesses**

Musical Offering **O God Beyond All Praising**
(Composer: Holst/arr. Larson)

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 **Lift High the Cross** **#264**
(Verses 1-4)

Benediction

Postlude **Canzona**
(Composer: Andrea Gabrieli)

Worship Participants

Sermon
Worship Leader/Liturgist
Scripture Reader

Spencer Lundgaard
Greg Buell
Andrea Giannini (9:30)
Spencer Lundgaard (11:00)
Beth Dill (9:30)
Jesse Borower (11:00)
Sharon Peterson (11:00)
Angela De Venuto
Leo Radosavljevic
Village Church Choir

Prayers of the People
Director of Music (Traditional)
Organist
Soprano
Bass
Anthem

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