



First Presbyterian  
Church of DuPage

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**FEBRUARY 28, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TELLING THE STORY: Tammy Altonen-Horak

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our ancestor Abraham trusted in the Lord,  
People: and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.  
Leader: Our faith depends upon the grace of God.  
People: **Praise the Lord, who gives life to the dead.**  
Leader: Jesus calls us to be his disciples.  
**TOGETHER:** **We take up the cross to follow him.**

OPENING HYMN - "*O Sing a Song of Bethlehem*" (#291 in Celebration Hymnal – vs. 1 & 2)

O sing a song of Bethlehem, of shepherds watching there,  
And of the news that came to them from angels in the air:  
The light that shone on Bethlehem fills all the world today;  
Of Jesus' birth and peace on earth the angels sing away.

O sing a song of Nazareth, of shepherds watching there,  
O sing of fragrant flowers' breath and of the sinless Boy:  
For now the flowers on Nazareth in every heart may grow;  
Now spreads the fame of His dear name on all the winds that blow.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

HYMN - "*O Sing a Song of Bethlehem*" (#291 in Celebration Hymnal – vs. 3 & 4)

O sing a song of Galilee, of lake and woods and hill,  
Of Him who walked upon the sea and bade the waves be still:  
For tho' like waves on Galilee, dark seas of trouble roll,  
When faith has heard the Mater's word, falls peace upon the soul.

O sing a song of Calvary, its glory and dismay;  
Of Him who hung upon the tree, and took our sins away:  
For He who died on Calvary is risen from the grave,  
And Christ, our Lord, by heav'n adored is mighty now to save.

## LITANY OF LENTEN PENITENCE

Leader: Holy and merciful God,  
we have not loved you with our whole heart,  
and mind, and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

**People: Have mercy on us, O God.**

Leader: Accept our repentance, O God,  
for the wrongs we have done.  
For our neglect of human need and suffering  
and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,

**People: Have mercy on us, O God.**

Leader: For all false judgments,  
for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors,  
and for our prejudice and contempt  
toward those who differ from us,

**People: Have mercy on us, O God.**

## RECEIVE THE BLESSING OF GOD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; thought Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Jeremiah 1:4-10

*(Response to Scripture reading)*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### HYMN – “Be Thou My Vision” (#562 in The Celebration Hymnal – vs. 1 & 2)

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art –  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

### MESSAGE FOR YOUNG (and Young at Heart) DISCIPLES

### NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Mark 8:27 - 9:1

*(Response to Scripture reading)*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON – “The Way of Spiritual Transformation in a Have-It-Your-Way World” Pastor David Boumgarden

## OFFERING/SPECIAL MUSIC

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up onto the Lord**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Let us pray.

*(Response to prayer)*

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy

**People: Hear our prayer**

### 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 SONG – “Shine, Jesus, Shine” (#431 in The Celebration Hymnal)

Lord, the light of your love is shining,

In the midst of the darkness shining;

Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,

Set us free by the truth You now bring us;

Shine on me, shine on me.

*(Chorus)*

Shine, Jesus, Shine,

fill this land with the Father's glory.

Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow,

flood the nations with grace and mercy.

Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness

So our faces display Your likeness,

Ever changing from glory to glory;

Mirrored here, may our lives tell Your story;

Shone on me, shine on me.

*(Repeat chorus)*

### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### SENDING SONG – “God be with You” (#232 in The Celebration Hymnal)

### POSTLUDE

## WELCOME

Thank you for worshiping with us. We are delighted you are here. If you would like more information regarding our church, please contact the church office at 630.759.8843 or [firstpresdupage@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresdupage@gmail.com). Find us on Facebook and our website is [www.firstpresdupage.org](http://www.firstpresdupage.org).

## IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

We will have in-person worship. In keeping with current COVID guidelines we will be limited to 40-45 people not counting all staff who lead worship. Masks, temperature checks, social distancing, and all COVID protocols will be followed.

We will also continue to have virtual worship via our Facebook page at 10:00 a.m. Join us at <https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresbyterianChurchOfDuPage/>

To print this week's worship service bulletin, this link will take you to a page on the church's website: <https://www.firstpresdupage.org/sermons-2/>



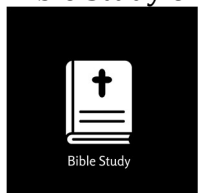
## JOIN OUR INTERIM JOURNEY

We are on an interim journey at First DuPage on the way to re-discovering what God has already done in our midst and what God is calling the congregation to do in the future so the church can call a well-equipped pastor to lead it into that future.

**Immediately following worship THERE WILL BE A BRIEF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING to elect the Pastor Nominating Committee to search for a pastor.** It will be a short meeting with only this one item of business. The recommended candidates are Sampson Akotuah, Bob Buegel, Danika Manchester, Patt Pilgrim and Monica Reilly.



We are telling stories of why this church is important to us, and we are also beginning a short Bible Study on Christian Community based on the Sermon on the Mount.



You can participate in one of three small groups or follow along on your own with the study guide, "A People of Salt and Light – Jesus' Model for Community." The guide is being distributed to the congregation as follows:

1. By email (check your inbox) – you will receive a link to our website where you can download, view and print the guide
2. Open your browser and go directly to our website where you can download, view and print the guide at <https://www.firstpresdupage.org/adult-education/>
3. Paper copies will be available at worship service

Join in with one of the following:

Wednesday Night Bible Study – 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. via Zoom (started the week of 2/21)

Mid-day Bible Study – Wednesdays 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. (started 2/17)

Sunday Morning Bible Study – 8:30-9:30 a.m. (started 2/21)

Enroll by emailing [firstpresdupage@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresdupage@gmail.com) or signing up at the Welcome Center.

### **VIRTUAL FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

We will have Virtual Fellowship Hour following this Sunday's worship service. Join us on Zoom at the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81261950522?pwd=Wkw5UFJDbnhtM2JxVi9rd2tXTTFPZz09>

Meeting ID: 812 6195 0522

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### **CALENDAR ITEMS**

Election of a Pastoral Nominating Committee (following worship today, February 28<sup>th</sup>)

### **PER CAPITA**

Per Capita for 2021 is \$38.50 per member. This fee is assessed by Blackhawk Presbytery for training, assembly meetings and presbytery work to support local churches. The church must pay per capita even if members do not contribute. Please consider making a donation to cover all members in your family. You may make your checks payable to the church with the note "per capita."

### **PRAYER REQUESTS & CARD MINISTRY**

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office. If you know someone troubled with an illness, a loss, or who could just use an uplifting word please email the church at [firstpresdupage@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresdupage@gmail.com) and provide the person's name, address, and concern so we can reach out and encourage them in their time of need.