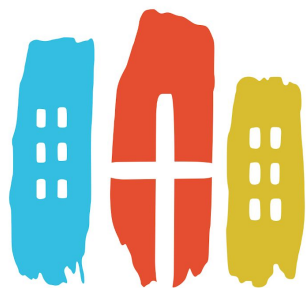


First Sunday in Lent - March 10, 2019

Welcome to our worship service at Loop Church!

Our Purpose - As followers of Jesus Christ we bless our neighbors in Chicago and beyond by welcoming the presence and love of God into our lives such that it overflows to those around us. This happens as we engage in spiritual practices, live out our community values, and engage in acts of love and service.



LOOP CHURCH
C H I C A G O

LENTEN MEDITATION

Reading

(silent meditation)

Adorning the cross

Gathering Song Open the Eyes of My Heart LUYH 537

GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF

Song of Penitence God, Be Merciful to Me LUYH 623

Prayer of contrition

Litany of Response: I Love the Lord; He Heard My Cry LUYH 152

Refrain: **I love the Lord; he heard my cry**

Leader: I love the Lord, for he heard my voice;
The Lord heard my cry for mercy.

People: **Because God's ear turned to me,
I will call on God as long as I live**

Refrain

Leader: The cords of death entangled me,
The anguish of the grave came over me;
I was overcome by distress and sorrow.

People: **Then I called on the name of the Lord: "Lord, save me!"**

Refrain

Leader: The Lord is gracious and righteous;
Our God is full of compassion

People: **The Lord protects the unwary;
When I was brought low, the Lord saved me.**

Refrain

Leader: Return to your rest, my soul, for the Lord has been good to you.
For you, Lord, have delivered me from death,
My eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling,
That I may walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Refrain

GOD OFFERS US PEACE - WE OFFER PEACE TO ONE ANOTHER

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be always with you

People: **And also with you**

(greet one another and offer the peace of Christ)

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

(after each petition the call and response will follow a brief period of silence)

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: **Hear our prayer**

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Reading: Luke 9:43b-50 *(bible page 843)*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: Dense Diciples: Authority & Service in God's Reign

ORDINATION OF ELDERS Jennie Misner and Peter Zigterman

LET US CELEBRATE THE FEAST

Song of Preparation

In Christ Alone

LUYH 770

Invitation & Institution

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion

(The Lord's Supper is an open invitation to all. If you are - or desire to be - a follower of Jesus Christ, come and celebrate with us. Today we will celebrate the sacrament by forming a circle around the communion table and passing the bread and wine to one another with the words, "The Body of Christ, broken for you," and, "The Blood of Christ, shed for you.")

WE RESPOND IN THANKSGIVING

Offering for the General Fund

(Our morning offering is an act of worship whereby we as members of this congregation express our gratitude to and reliance on God. Guests and visitors should not feel that participation in this part of the service is obligatory. Anyone may participate electronically at <http://www.loopchurch.org/giving/>.

Alternatively, anyone using the ZELLE payment app can donate by sending funds to lcm@loopchurch.org)

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

Sending Song

Abide With Me

(insert)

1. A - bid e with me; fast falls the e - ven -
2. Thou on my head in ear - ly youth didst
3. I need Thy pres - ence eve - ry pass - ing
4. I fear no foe with Thee at hand to
5. Hold Thou Thy cross be - fore my clos - ing

3
A D G D
tide. The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with me a -
smile. And, though re - bel - lious and per - verse mean -
hour. What but Thy grace can foil the tempt - er's
bless. Ills have no weight; tears lose their bit - ter -
eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the

6
A B m G D
bide. When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts
while, Thou hast not left me, though I oft left
power? Who like Thy - self my guide and stay can
ness. Where is thy sting, death? Where, grave, thy vic - to -
skies. Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows

9
G D A D
flee, Help of the help - less, a - bide with me.
Thee. On to the close, Lord, a - bide with me.
be? Through cloud and sun - shine, a - bide with me.
ry? I tri - umph still; a - bide with me.
flee. In life, in death, Lord, a - bide with me.

Words by Henry Lyte
alt. by Justin Smith
Music by Justin Smith

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Benediction

This week's lectionary readings:

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Epistle: Romans 10:8b-13

Psalm: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

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Interested in Volunteering or Submitting an Announcement? Talk to Jim Bosman after the service or send him an email at jim@loopchurch.org

Calendar:

Date	Event	Time	Location
Thu, Mar 7	Anti-Racism MC		
Tue, Mar 12	Welcoming the Stranger MC		
Thu, Mar 21	Steering Council Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	11 E Adams
Thu, Mar 29	Environmental Issues MC		
Sun, Apr 7	Brunch Sunday	10:00 - 11:30	11 E Adams

Sunday Schedule:

Date	Mar 10	Mar 17	Mar 24	Mar 31	Apr 7
Set Up	Peter & Silvia	Tim & Lexi	Kevin & Mona	Jim & Mary	
Take Down	Kevin & Mona	Ginny & Debbie	Peter & Silvia	Jim & Mary	
Greeter 1	Kevin	Peter	Mary		
Greeter 2	Mona	Silvia	Jim	Kelley	
Refreshments	Kelley	Ginny	Laura & Karim	Adam & Becca	
Nursery	--- /Rae	--- /Naomi	--- /Brianna	--- /Kayla	
Lead Elder	Debbie	JB	Jennie	Peter	

Offering Update: Mar 3: Gen Fund \$2262.00 FYTD: \$82,661.00