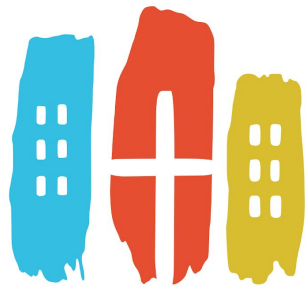


Nineteenth Sunday of Kingdomtide,  
September 30, 2018



**LOOP CHURCH**  
C H I C A G O

**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.

## **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

### **Call to Worship**

Leader: O God, you are my God, I seek you,  
my soul thirsts for you;

**People: my flesh faints for you,**

**as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.**

Leader: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
beholding your power and glory.

**People: Because your steadfast love is better than life,  
my lips will praise you.**

Leader: So I will bless you as long as I live;

I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

**Pastor: My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,  
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips**

—Psalm 63:1-5

### **Gathering Songs**

Uyai mose/Come, All You People

LUYH 496

Come, Worship God (v.1,3,4)

LUYH 509

## **GOD GREETS US - WE RESPOND BY GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

Pastor: People of God, in whom is our help?

**People: Our help is in the name of the LORD,  
who made the heavens and the earth.**

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from the Lord, our provider, our joy, and our redeemer. May the grace and peace of God be yours in abundance.

**People: Amen.**

## **GOD CALLS US TO RECONCILIATION**

**Prayer of Confession and Assurance**

**Song of Assurance**

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

LUYH 457

## **GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD**

Epistle Reading: James 5:13-20 (*Pew Bible 982*)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon:** The prayer of faith is powerful

## **Song of Response**

Abana in Heaven

LUYH 911

**Discussion**

## **WE RESPOND IN PRAYER & THANKSGIVING**

**Communal Prayer**

**Mission Moment**

## **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](mailto:lcm@loopchurch.org).)*

# LET US CELEBRATE THE FEAST

## 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.")*

## GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

### Benediction

### Sending Song

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

LUYH 957

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### This week's lectionary readings:

Old Testament: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

Psalm: Psalm 124

Epistle: James 5:13-20

Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Interested in Volunteering or Submitting an Announcement?** Talk to Jim Bosman after the service or send him an email at [jim@loopchurch.org](mailto:jim@loopchurch.org)

**Next week is Brunch Sunday.** Remember a dish to share. Next week is also the **Chicago Marathon**. Plan your travel accordingly.

**Trinity Restorative Justice Conference**, Saturday, October 6, 2018, 9:00-3:40; Ozinga Chapel, Trinity Christian College, 6601 West College Dr., Palos Heights, IL. Trinity hosts a conference on the faith-based perspective of *restorative justice*. Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart's keynote opens it; we close with an inspirational talk by school transformer Dr. Robert Spicer. In between, we offer a five-person panel plenary discussion and eight sessions to choose from, featuring a judge, lawyers, crime victims, police officers, and expert practitioners – all trying to improve attitudes and systems. Info/registration: [tccrestorativejusticeconference.eventbrite.com](http://tccrestorativejusticeconference.eventbrite.com). Details: [brad.breems@trnty.edu](mailto:brad.breems@trnty.edu) or 708.341.1154.

### Calendar:

Date	Event	Time	Location
Thu, Oct 4	<i>Anti-Racism MC</i>		
Sun, Oct 7	Brunch Sunday	10:00 - 11:30 AM	11 E Adams
Tue, Oct 16	<i>Welcoming the Stranger MC</i>		
Thu, Oct 18	Steering Council Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	11 E Adams
Fri, Oct 26	<i>Environmental Issues MC</i>		

### Sunday Schedule:

Date	9/30	10/7	10/14	10/21	10/28
<b>Set Up</b>	Tim & Lexi	Kevin & Mona	Jim & Mary	Peter & Silvia	Tim & Lexi
<b>Take Down</b>	Peter & Silvia	Tim & Lexi	Jim & Mary	Kevin & Mona	Ginny & Charlene
<b>Greeter 1</b>	Kevin	Joseph	Lexi	Kevin	Peter
<b>Greeter 2</b>	Mona	Kelley	Janna	Mona	Silvia
<b>Refreshments</b>	Janna	Brunch	Charlene	Mary	Kelley
<b>Nursery</b>	--- /Kayla	-----	--- /Rae	--- /Naomi	--- /Brianna
<b>Lead Elder</b>	Debbie	JB	Kevin	Claire	Debbie
<b>Liturgist</b>	Lexi	Anne		Lexi	

**Offering Update:** September 23: Gen Fund \$2389.00 FYTD: \$28,236.00