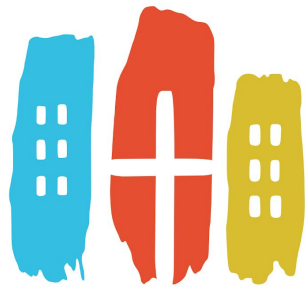


**Eighteenth Sunday of Kingdomtide,
September 23, 2018**



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

Reader: The earth is the Lord's and everything in it.

People: Come, let us adore him.

Reader: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

People: Come, let us adore him.

Reader: The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

People: Come, let us adore him.

Reader: Lord, if you open our lips,

People: Our mouths shall proclaim your praise

Gathering Song

Come Thou Fount

LUYH 521

GOD GREETUS US - WE RESPOND BY GREETING ONE ANOTHER

GOD CALLS US TO RECONCILIATION

Call to Confession:

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Song of Assurance

My Soul Finds Rest

LUYH 370

WE RESPOND IN PRAYER & THANKSGIVING

Mission Moment – Welcoming the Stranger Missional Community

Communal Prayer

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 SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Song of Illumination

Speak O Lord

LUYH 755

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:43-48 *(Bible page 787)*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Be Perfect - Like Your Father"

Reader's Theater: 2 Kings 5:1-19a

Discussion

HALLELUJAH! LET US CELEBRATE THE FEAST

Invitation

Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Pastor: Come, for all is now ready. The gifts of God for the people of God.

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

Sending Song

Oh For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

LUYH 590

Benediction

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This week's lectionary readings:

Old Testament: Proverbs 31:10-31

Psalm: Psalm 1

Epistle: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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
Fri, Sep 28	<i>Environmental Issues MC</i>		
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

Sunday Schedule:

Date	9/23	9/30	10/7	10/14	10/21
Set Up	Peter & Silvia	Tim & Lexi	Kevin & Mona	Jim & Mary	Peter & Silvia
Take Down	Anne & Debbie	Peter & Silvia	Tim & Lexi	Jim & Mary	Kevin & Mona
Greeter 1	Jim	Kevin	Joseph	Lexi	Kevin
Greeter 2	Mary	Mona	Kelley	Janna	Mona
Refreshments	Claire	Janna	Brunch	Charlene	Mary
Nursery	--- /Brianna	--- /Kayla	-----	--- /Rae	--- /Naomi
Lead Elder	Claire	Debbie	JB	Kevin	Claire
Liturgist		Emily	Anne		Lexi

Offering Update: September 16: Gen Fund \$1303.00 FYTD: \$25,847.00