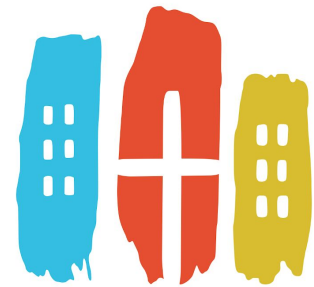


**Sixth Sunday of Eastertide**  
**May 26, 2019**



**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.*

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:** Loving God, we come to you in worship and thanksgiving.  
You are greater than we can understand;

**People:** **open our eyes that we may see the wonderful truths you have shown to us in Jesus.**

**Leader:** You are more loving than our hearts can respond to;

**People:** **help us to give ourselves to you in worship so that we learn what you want us to be.**

**Leader:** You are wiser than we can know;

**People:** **still our minds as we worship you so that we can understand the things you are saying to us.**

**Leader:** Loving God, in Jesus you chose to come to the world in humility.  
You chose the path the world saw as foolish.  
You used what the world considered weak.

**People:** **We worship and adore you. Amen.**

## **Gathering Songs**

Gather Us In

LUYH 529

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LUYH 575

## **GOD GREETS US AS WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

**Leader:** People of God, where is your trust placed?

**People:** **Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.**

**Leader:** Grace, mercy and peace to you in the name of the Father,  
the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**People:** **Amen!**

## **Introducing New Members**

Andrew and Lauren Rylaarsdam

## **GOD'S PEOPLE PRAY**

## Offering for the General Fund

This morning there will be a special second offering collected for Mike and Victoria Van Der Dyke. The Van Der Dykes have been serving as missionaries in Nigeria for 40 years, training local leaders in church planting and Christian education. If you are unable to give financially, please consider offering prayer support: you can pray for Mike's health, their safety, and an end to the cycles of violence in the country.

*(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))*

## GOD SPEAKS THROUGH THE WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

**Hebrew Bible Reading:** 1 Samuel 2:1-10 (*Bible page 214*)

**Epistle Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1: 26-31 (*Bible page 926*)

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon:** To a Church called by God

### Discussion

**Song of Response**      Faith Begins By Letting Go      LUYH 852

## GOD RECONCILES US TO HIMSELF

### Call to Confession

When we come into the holy presence of God, our own humanity is laid bare. When we stand in the living presence of truth, our own falsehood is revealed. People of God, let us acknowledge who we are and ask our ever-present God to forgive us. Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

### Confession

### Assurance

Psalm 103:8-13, NRSV

**Song of Assurance**      May the Mind of Christ, My Savior      LUYH 334

## **WE GATHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE**

### **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, given for you," and, "The Blood of Christ, shed for you.")*

## **GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD**

**Sending Song**

We Labor Unto Glory

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**Benediction**

### **This week's lectionary readings:**

First Lesson: Acts 16:9-15

Psalm: Psalm 67

Epistle: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

Gospel: John 14:23-29

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# 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)

**The 20th Annual Bonhoeffer Lectures in Public Ethics** will take place at McCormick Theological Seminary on Friday Evening, May 31 and Saturday, June 1 from 8 AM - 5 PM. The lectures will address major public issues in light of the legacy of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, and feature speakers including: Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II, Rev. Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove, Dr. J. Kameron Carter, Dr. Reggie Williams, Dr. Jennie McBride, and many more. Registration for the two-day event is \$30. Loop will cover this cost if it is prohibitive. Please consider coming even if you can only attend part of the event!

Please note new office email address [admin@loopchurch.org](mailto:admin@loopchurch.org) (instead of [jim@loopchurch.org](mailto:jim@loopchurch.org))

**Offering Update:** May 19: Gen Fund \$1470.00 FYTD: \$105,537.00

## Calendar:

Date	Event	Time	Location
Thu, Jun 6	Anti-Racism MC		
Sun, Jun 2	Brunch Sunday	10:00 - 11:30	11 E Adams
Thu, June 13	Steering Council Meeting	6:30 - 8:30 PM	11 E Adams
Tue, Jun 11	Welcoming the Stranger MC		
Fri, Jun 28	Environmental Issues MC		

## Sunday Schedule:

Date	May 26	Jun 2	Jun 9	Jun 16	Jun 23
<b>Set Up</b>	Jim & Mary	Peter & Silvia	Tim & Lexi	Kevin & Mona	Jim & Mary
<b>Take Down</b>	Jim & Mary	Kevin & Mona	Ginny & Debbie	Peter & Silvia	Jim & Mary
<b>Greeter 1</b>	Kevin	Mary	Deqa	Lexi	Peter
<b>Greeter 2</b>	Mona	Jim	Kelley	Janna	Silvia
<b>Refreshments</b>	Deqa	Brunch	Laura & Karim	Adam & Becca	Tracey
<b>Nursery</b>	Naomi	-----	Briana	Kayla	Rae
<b>Lead Elder</b>	JB	Jennie	Peter	Claire	Debbie