

# **McKinley Memorial Presbyterian Church 10:30 AM August 14, 2022**

*Welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning—  
we are glad you are here!*



*Members of the McKinley Youth working with AMEN St Louis, August 7-10, 2022*

PRELUDE

Siyahamba

South African Hymn

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

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By faith we get up in the morning,  
**learning from the rising sun how to begin again.**

By faith we go out into the day,  
**courageously asking God  
to meet us where we are.**

By faith we gather together,  
**honoring the Divine Light in one another.**

By faith we fan the flames of justice—  
**for we have known the Spirit of Transformation.**

Come, let us worship the Faithful One,  
**the Living God is in our midst.**

## LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light candles to let God's light shine on those dear to us and on those unknown to us who dwell in dark places of our world: in war zones and in the desert places of famine and strife. May your Spirit give hope to all who struggle and prepare a path for peace.

Peace be with you! **And also with you.**

*All are invited to come forward and light candles representing prayers for peace.*

## VOLUNTARY

Andante tranquillo

Felix Mendelssohn

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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God of the joyful morning and of the dark night of the soul,  
**thank you for your sustaining love.**

Sometimes it feels easy to be connected to your compassion.

**Other times, we grapple for ways to be faithful to the path of love.**

Unjust systems distract and divert us.

**Ground us in your steadfastness, Living Christ,**

**that we have clarity and courage to live by your example. Amen.**

## RESPONSE

Amazing Grace

Lucien Collins, Alto Sax

Anthony Wantland, Baritone Sax

## SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 1:4-10 NIV

The word of the LORD came to me, saying,

**“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,**

**before you were born I set you apart;**

**I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.”**

“Alas, Sovereign LORD,” I said, “I do not know how to speak; I am too young.”

But the LORD said to me,

**“Do not say, ‘I am too young.’ You must go to everyone I send you to and say**

**whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you....”**

Then the LORD reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me,

**“I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant.”**

## REFLECTIONS ON THE TRIP TO AMEN ST LOUIS

*Members of the McKinley Youth Group*

*Anthony Hund Wantland, Cody Sweet, Danny Weider, Huck Collins, Graham Hatch, Gus Hatch, Lucien Collins and adult leaders Jane Cain, Lara Hebert, Clyde Sweet, Heidi Weatherford*

RESPONSE

Iona Community

Look at your feet, see the path and direction, **God's own for the world.**

Look at your heart, see the fire and the love, **God's own for the world.**

This is God's world, **And we will serve God in it.**

May God bless you, may God keep you always, and lead your lives with love. **Amen.**

\*HYMN

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me, verses 1-2

*\*You are invited to stand in body and or spirit*

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)  
 2 I'm gon-na work so (work so) God can use me an - y -  
 3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)  
 4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!  
 (an - y - time!) I'm gon-na  
 I'm gon-na  
 I'm gon-na  
 I'm gon-na

live so (live so)  
 work so (work so) God can use me an - y -  
 pray so (pray so)  
 sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!  
 (my Lord,) (an - y - time!)

This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given self-worth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.

## STATEMENT ON ORDINATION

We are all called into the church of Jesus Christ by baptism, and marked as Christ's own by the Holy Spirit.

**This is our common calling, to be disciples and servants of our servant Lord.**

Within the community of the church, some are called to particular service as ministers of the Word and Sacrament, elders, and as deacons. Recognizing the importance of each office, the church ordains in order to assure fulfillment of the primary responsibilities of preaching the Word and administering the sacraments, ordering the governance of the church, and providing for ministries of care and compassion in the world.

Representing the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, *we the now ordain Kathie Spegal and Felix Franken and install Kathie, Felix, Barbara England, Jane Cain, Bill Sunderland, and Trudy Diepholz as ruling elders of McKinley Presbyterian Church.*

## THE CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and of the Church, and through him believe in one God who tradition calls—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? *I do.*

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? *I do.*

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture calls us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? *I do and I will.*

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under authority of Scripture and continually guided by the confessions? *I will.*

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? *I will.*

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? *I will.*

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? *I do.*

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? *I will.*

Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? *I will.*

## THE CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

Do we, the members of the church, accept these members as ruling Elders; chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?

**We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, to follow as God calls us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

PRAYER OF ORDINATION *All ordained elders and ministers of Word and Sacrament are invited to come forward for the laying on of hands.*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Gracious and eternal God, with joy we give you thanks and praise. Throughout the ages and in every place you have chosen servants from among your people to point the way to salvation by your grace.

We are grateful for ancestors in the faith who followed without fear, placing their trust in you alone—

**for judges and monarchs who ruled in righteousness and peace;**

**for prophets and apostles who spoke your bold words of mercy and of truth;**

**for leaders and teachers in every age who have nurtured your people in faith and faithfulness.**

Above all, we praise you for Jesus Christ, who came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life to set others free.

**Anointed by your Holy Spirit, he proclaimed your reign on earth, revealing your saving love in all he said and did.**

Gracious God, pour out your Spirit upon your servants *Felix and Kathie*, whom you called by baptism as your own. Grant *them* the same mind that was in Christ Jesus. Give *them* prudence and sound judgment, wisdom and courage to order the life of the church in obedience to your Word. Nourish *them* in the life of the Holy Spirit, that *they* may exercise the ministry of discipline with humility and compassion. Guide *them* in governance, on this session and in every court of the church, that *they* may be servant leaders following Christ who came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life to set others free. Give *them* joy in the walk of faith and a sure sense of your abiding presence for the work of ministry.

Gracious God, we *also* give you thanks for your servants Trudy, Bill, Jane, and Barbara, as *they* continue in the ministry to which you have called *them*. Help *them* to rely on the gifts of your Spirit and to follow Christ faithfully in this calling. Give *them* a spirit of truthfulness that *they* may show the compassion of Christ in the actions of daily living and rightly govern your people.

By the gifts of your Holy Spirit empower these elders to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision. In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry, give to all your servants gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor, and courage, and an abiding sense of your presence.

Gracious God,

**Pour out your Spirit of power and truth upon the whole church, that we may be for you a holy people baptized to serve you in the world.**

Sustain your church in ministry.

**Ground us in the gospel, secure our hope in Christ, strengthen our service to the outcast, and increase our love for one another.**

Show us the transforming power of your grace in our life together,

**That we may be effective servants of the gospel, offering a compelling witness in the world to the good news of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

#### DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Bill, Jane, Trudy, Felix, Kathie and Barbara, you are now active ruling elders in the church of Jesus Christ and for this congregation. Be faithful and true in your ministry so that your whole life will bear witness to the liberating power of Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### UNISON PRAYER

**God of grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation: give us courage and discipline to follow where your servants rightly lead us, that together we may declare your wonderful deeds and show your love to the world; through Jesus Christ the Lord of all. Amen.**

#### \*RESPONSE

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me, verses 3-4

*\*You are invited to stand in body and or spirit*

**3 I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**4 I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

#### BENEDICTION

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We go from this place not alone **but among a cloud of witnesses.**

Blessed by the wisdom of the elders **and led by the dreams of the young,**

let us co-create resurrection **this day and always. AMEN!**

#### POSTLUDE

Toccata from Symphony No. 5

Charles-Marie Widor

#### ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Liturgists**

Members of the McKinley Youth

**Pastor**

Rev. Heidi Weatherford

**Associate Pastor**

Rev. Keith Harris

**Director of Children's Education**

Sara McHenry

**Director of Music**

Dr. Yohei Endo

**Worship Techs**

Lara Hebert and Josh Harris

**Musicians**

Amy Fry and Felix Franken

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### A Note from Music Director Yohei Endo

Some of you might have already heard this un-officially, but I decided to go back to Japan to be with my spouse, Asami. It was a hard decision for me as I deeply love and respect the McKinley church community but, for now, I am leaving and have submitted my letter of resignation. My last Sunday will be August 21. Thank you so much for the opportunity to work here for more than 10 years. I've greatly enjoyed and appreciated the opportunities I've had here at McKinley. I learned and grew a lot through this wonderful church community. I wish the church continued success, and I hope to stay in touch in the future. Asami and I will update you on our lives, and please visit us sometime in the future.

### Welcome Carnival and Cookout: August 20

Plan to join us for a free cookout and carnival — fun for all ages! — on Saturday, August 20 from 4–6 p.m. (set up at 3 p.m.) in the McKinley/Presby Hall courtyard area. All-beef hot dogs, hamburgers, and desserts will be provided along with carnival games and prizes. Take advantage of this opportunity to welcome new students and friends to McKinley!

Volunteers who enjoy being with people are needed to work one-hour shifts at a food or game booth. Instructions will be provided, and nothing is difficult! **If you can help, please sign up using this online form or contact Paula Hancock at [paula@mckinleycu.org](mailto:paula@mckinleycu.org).**

### Farewell Open House for Yohei and Asami

SAVE THE DATE! An open house in a park has been set for Wednesday, August 24th from 5:30 to 7:30 to thank Yohei and Asami Endo. Plan come help us wish them well as they return to Japan. Details will follow the next newsletter.

### **HOW TO REACH CHURCH STAFF:**

You can reach staff members at [office@mckinleycu.org](mailto:office@mckinleycu.org).

### **HOW TO GIVE**

Online contributions and pledges are accepted at [tithe.ly/give?c=2133263](https://tithe.ly/give?c=2133263)

Or by mailing your donations to  
McKinley Presbyterian Church  
809 S. Fifth street  
Champaign, IL 61822



### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 14, 2022	10:30AM	Worship lead by McKinley youth and their leaders
	11:30AM	Youth Group
	2:00PM	Session Meeting
Monday, August 15, 2022	11:30 AM	McKinley Staff Meeting
	5:30-7:00PM	Giving Garden
	5:45PM	CPJ Meeting
Sunday, August 21, 2022	10:30AM	<b>Worship Yohei Endo's last Sunday</b>
	11:30AM	McKinley Intergenerational Event
		Location to be announced, Yohei and Asami's Farewell
Wednesday August 24, 2022	5:30PM	Open House

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
OF COUNTRY / FIRST  
PEOPLES**  
*(An act towards  
reconciliation)*

For thousands of years, Indigenous people have walked on this land, in their own country. Their relationship with the land is at the center of their lives.

We recognize and acknowledge that we are on the lands of the Peoria, Kaskaskia, Piankashaw, Wea, Miami, Mascoutin, Odawa, Sauk, Mesquaki, Kickapoo, Potawatomi, Ojibwe, and Chickasaw Nations, past, present, emerging.

We are grateful for their stewardship of this land throughout the ages. These lands continue to carry the stories of these Nations and their struggles for survival and identity.

**McKinley Presbyterian Church is a community of faith  
Offering genuine welcome,  
Working for reconciliation, and  
Daring to speak words of abundant hope to a world in pain**

