

## Prayer for Worship

Lord God, you have declared that your Kingdom is among us.  
Open our ears to hear it, our hands to serve it, our hearts to hold it.  
This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

## Gathering

## The Welcome

## Opening Prayer

### \*Songs of Praise

Our God -Chris Tomlin

**Water You turned into wine  
Opened the eyes of the blind  
There's no one like you  
None like you  
Into the darkness You shine  
Out of the ashes we rise  
There's No one like you  
None like you**

**Our God is greater, our God is stronger  
God You are higher than any other  
Our God is Healer, awesome in power  
Our God, Our God.**

Way Maker -Michael W. Smith

**You are here, moving in our midst  
I worship You, I worship You  
You are here, working in this place  
I worship You, I worship You**

**Way Maker, Miracle Worker  
Promise Keeper, Light in the darkness  
My God, that is Who You are.**

**You are here, touching every heart  
I worship You, I worship You, I lift my hands  
You are here, healing every heart  
I worship You, I worship You**

**That is Who You Are** (repeat 4 times)

**Even when I don't see it, You're working  
Even when I can't feel it, You're working  
You never stop, You never stop working  
You never stop, You never stop working**

### \*The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*Please stand if you are able

## Children's Message

Following the Children's Message, children may go to Children's Faith Building. Pickup is at Rooms 215 & 219 for preschool - 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and Room 214 for Middle School.

## Confession and Assurance

Leader: Early in the morning, in the multi-colored company of your Church on earth and in heaven we celebrate your creation, your life, your death and resurrection, your interest in us: so to you we pray:

**People: Lord, bring new life where we are worn and tired,  
new love where we have turned hard-hearted,  
forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded,  
and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit where we are the prisoners of ourselves.**

(silence)

Leader: To all and to each, where regret is real, God pronounces pardon and grants us the right to begin again.

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## Song of Response

What A Friend We Have In Jesus -Charles Crozat Converse

**What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit, O What needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in prayer!**

**Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged; Take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness; Take it to the Lord in prayer.**

## The Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## Reading from Scripture

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures;  
he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.  
He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I fear no evil;  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff—  
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies;  
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord  
my whole life long.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Message

"The Gospel of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm"

Rev. Leslie Sanders

## Joys & Concerns

## Morning Prayers

## Offering



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## \*Closing Prayer

### \*Song of Sending

Jesus at the Center - Israel Houghton

**Jesus at the center of it all  
Jesus at the center of it all  
From beginning to the end  
It will always be, it's always been You Jesus, Jesus**

**Nothing else matters, nothing in this world will do  
Jesus You're the center, and everything revolves around You  
Jesus You the center of it all, the center of it all**

**From my heart to the Heavens  
Jesus be the center  
It's all about You  
Yes it's all about You**

## \*The Blessing

Rev. Sanders

## \*Sending

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### Worship Participants

Rev. Leslie Sanders

Worship Ensemble

Rev. Clinton G. Roberts

Rick Day, AV Support Lead

Rev. Kristie W. Finley

Henry Thomas, AV Support

Christina Maldonado

Georgia Sottosanto-Sorenson, AV Support

Nathan Fivecoate



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## This Week's Calendar

### TODAY

8:45 AM Nursery Open until 11:45 AM, Room 212  
9:00 Worship, Sanctuary  
9:15 Children's Faith Building, Rooms 215, 219  
Middle School: 5-7<sup>th</sup> grade, Stuart Room 214  
10:00 Fellowship, Great Room  
10:30 Worship, Sanctuary  
10:45 Children's Church, Tower Room 213  
11:30 Lunch & Learn: Rev. Leslie Sanders, South Parlor  
Fellowship, Great Room  
4:00 PM Pastor's Pumpkin Patch, Manse

**MON** No Events Scheduled

### TUE

12:00 PM Brown Bag Book Group, Zoom  
1:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry, South Parlor  
Adult Bible Study, Zoom  
5:00 Staff Support Team Mtg, Parish House/Zoom  
6:00 Lakeminstler Ringers, Sanctuary  
6:30 Finance Meeting, South Parlor/Zoom  
7:00 Women's Evening Bible Study, Zoom  
7:30 Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall

### WED

10:00 AM Wednesday Women's Bible Study, S. Parlor/Zoom  
4:15 PM Carol Choir, Music Room  
5:00 Cherub Choir, Music Room  
Confirmation, Stuart Room 214  
5:30 Wednesday Night Supper, Great Room  
Chancel Bells, Sanctuary  
6:00 Children's Faith Building, South Parlor  
7:00 Explorations of Faith, South Parlor/Zoom  
Worship Ensemble Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
Taizé Service, Chapel

### THU

6:00 AM Daybreakers Men's Ministry, Zoom  
7:00 PM Children's Faith Form. Committee, Rm 214/Zoom  
Sanctuary Choir, Music Room

### FRI

7:00 AM Men of Corinth, Great Room/Zoom

**Pastor on call:**  
Pastor Kristie  
847.942.4057

Pastor Clint's  
day off: Friday

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### Elders

Paul Bergmann  
Renee Borkowski  
Donna Coffin  
Scott Crawford  
Paul Darling  
John Gescheidle  
Lynnette Hinch  
John Johnson  
Laura Johnson  
Sally McDonald  
Mary Gould Moorhead  
Brian O'Keane  
Diane Quinn  
Kendall Severson  
Nina Strnad  
David Strong  
Sadie Strong  
Mary Watanabe  
*Clerk*  
Anne Winebrenner

### Deacons

Bill Allen  
Nancy Anderson  
Carol Bagan  
Dorothy Chantler  
Mallory Ciarrocchi  
Susan Daly  
Wendy Darling  
Peg Gronau  
Nancy Hamming  
Jeff Hinch  
Cindy Johnson  
Dick Johnson  
Susan McDowell  
John McNicholas  
Susan Milanak  
Lisa Murray  
John Noble  
Tiffany Notz  
Tricia Sweet  
Sherry Trenchard  
Bert Tucker  
Joan Vie  
Gale Strenger Wayne  
*Moderator*  
Scott Weston

## Coming Up...



### Trunk or Treat

**Saturday, October 29, 4:00 - 5:30 PM**

Dress up in your Halloween costumes, and join us for a fun-filled evening for all ages with fall treats and fellowship in the Deerpath parking lot!

Sign up to decorate your parking spot, trunk, or table on the church website: [firstchurchlf.org/trunk-or-treat](http://firstchurchlf.org/trunk-or-treat)



### Lunch & Learn: Rev. Dr. Katie Day Sunday, October 30

Rev. Dr. Katie Day will be joining us at both services as our Guest Preacher in the pulpit. Following the 10:30 AM service, Katie Day will be leading a conversation about "Being the Body of Christ in a Violent Culture" at a Lunch & Learn. Sign up today to let us know you are coming by calling the church office or emailing Sarah Seccombe at [ssecombe@firstchurchlf.org](mailto:ssecombe@firstchurchlf.org).



### Submit a reflection for the Advent Devotional!

Last year's Advent devotional had such a wonderful response we are bringing it back this year! Once again, we invite you to submit your reflections to create an All Church Devotional. As we did last year, we are starting the process early so it can be ready for the first day of Advent. Sign up on the church website for a date and scripture! [firstchurchlf.org/advent-devotional-submissions](http://firstchurchlf.org/advent-devotional-submissions)

## Serve, Learn & Connect

**For our weekly ministries & Zoom links**

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**Share Joys & Concerns**  
Kristie Finley 224.544.1967

**Home Communion**  
Kristie Finley 224.544.1967

**Arrange a Wedding or Baptism**  
Sarah Seccombe 224.544.1958

**Engagement & Membership**  
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*Welcome*  
to Sunday Worship

**October 9, 2022 | 9:00 AM**  
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