

We work for peace in the world. We strive for justice with love, and transformation in our community and beyond.

We broaden our impact by collaborating with partners across the City. With God's help, we can co-create a better future for all.

At Lincoln Park Presbyterian Church, we are committed to living the open, inclusive, affirming and compassionate love of Jesus Christ.

EMERGING: Faith - Hope - Love

9th Annual Spring Concert
Sunday, April 28, 10:30 am



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GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

PRELUDE: Toccata in C major, BWV 564.....J.S. Bach

GATHERING MUSIC: Sing and Rejoice!.....Sally K. Albrecht

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (please stand in body or spirit and read responsively)

One: The sun she is setting in the tall grass beneath the pines

All: where the heart beats one with the land

One: where the mule deer approach their antlers raised

All: where with palms upturned we pray.

One: Let us continue our worship with song!

***OPENING HYMN:** #430 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

God of All, this prayer is also our goal. Help us to come to terms with the future. From this day onward we want to walk easy om the earth. We want to plant trees. We want to kill no living thing. We want to live in harmony with all creatures. We want to restore the earth where we are. We want to use no more resources than we need. And, always, we want to listen, listen to what the earth is telling us. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE (please stay seated)

CONCERT AND READINGS

READING FROM JOY HARJO – PART 1

SONG: Barley Field.....Yong-Ha Yoon

READING FROM JOY HARJO – PART 2

SONG: Creo En Mí.....Natalia Jiménez

READING FROM M. JADE KAISER – PART 1

SONG: Blue Skies.....Irving Berlin

READING FROM M. JADE KAISER – PART 2

SONG: 93 Million Miles.....arr. Susan LaBarr

*All who are able may stand

READING FROM COLE ARTHUR RILEY/REFAAT ALAREER

SONG: Lead with Love.....Melanie DeMore

READING FROM NIKKI GIOVANNI – PART 1

SONG: A Million Dreams from *The Greatest Showman: Reimagined*.....
.....Words and Music by Benj Pasek and Justin Paul

READING FROM NIKKI GIOVANNI – PART 2

SONG: You'll Never Walk Alone from *Carousel*.....Music by Richard Rodgers

READING FROM NIKKI GIOVANNI – PART 3

SONG: Why We Sing.....Greg Gilpin

READING FROM JAMES BALDWIN

SONG: Big House.....Kyle Pederson

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING/OFFERTORY



Thank you for your generosity; we appreciate your support of our ministry.

A BLESSING CALLED SANCTUARY

INVITATIONS

***SENDING HYMN:** #301 Let Us Build a House

***VISION FOR THE WEEK** (unison)

Go out into the world in peace. Have courage; hold on to what is good. Return no one evil for evil. Strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, and help the suffering. Honor all people. Love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

***SUNG BENEDICTION:** Sending You Light (unison)

**I am sending you Light, To heal you, To hold you
Sending you Light, To hold you in Love**

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Dr. Beth Brown is leading. Bruce Hunt is the Liturgist/Lector. John O'Donnell and Bonnie Humphrey are the Greeters. Ronda Howell is the Technical Assistant. Changers Kim is the Director of Music and Technology. Edmund Bradfield is providing Hospitality. Special thanks to the LPPC Choir and Jade Dasha, Evita Trembley, Katherine Dalin, Stanley DeCwikiel, Andrew Sons, Nick Roach, and Alex Narvaez Garcia, our Guest Singers and Soloists.

WORSHIP NOTES: The Call to Worship and Opening Prayer are from Earth Prayers: Poems from Around The World, edited by Elizabeth Roberts and Elias Amidon. The opening prayer uses the words of M.J. Slim Hooley. The Reading from Joy Harjo is titled "For Calling the Spirit Back From Wandering the Earth in Its Human Feet" and is from the collection Conflict Resolution for Holy Beings by Joy Harjo. The reading from M. Jade Kaiser is from enfleshed.com. The reading from Cole Arthur Riley is from "Black Liturgies". The reading from Palestinian Poet, Refaat Alareer is titled "If I must Die" and it was written in 2011. The poem went viral after his death in December 2023 in Gaza. The reading from Nikki Giovanni is titled "Quilting the Black Eyed Pea (We're Going to Mars)". The readings from James Baldwin come from "The Fire Next Time" and "Another Country." The blessing is from "Circle of Grace" by Jan Richardson.

STAFF OUT OF THE OFFICE: Marek will be on vacation from Friday, May 3rd through Sunday, May 5th.

What's Happening This Week at LPPC:

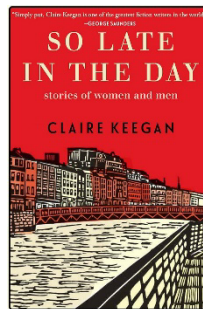
Sun, Apr 28	11:30 am	Hospitality – Sanctuary
Mon, Apr 29	5:45 pm – 6:45 pm	Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Youngish Adults Gathering – TBD
Wed, May 1	9:00 am - 10:00 am	<u>Congregational Check In on Zoom</u>
	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Youngish Adults Gathering – LPPC
Sun, May 5	10:30 am	Worship/Communion/Rev. Dr. Beth Brown leading In-person and <u>YouTube</u>
	11:30 am	Hospitality – Sanctuary



Tuesday, May 7th at 7 pm in our Sanctuary, Rob Lindley is directing a one man play titled "God Haunted: Stories and Songs from an Evangelical Childhood", performed by Stephen Henderson.

Women's Book Group

The Women's Book Group will discuss "So Late in the Day," a book of three short stories by Claire Keegan at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 11. Keegan is one of Ireland's leading fiction writers and in this this slim volume, she probes the dynamics between men and women. Join the discussion in-person at the Lighthouse Lounge at Admiral at the Lake, 929 W. Foster Ave., or via Zoom. Beverages will be provided, and in-building parking is free. Please contact Sharon Stangenes via text at 312-203-4666 or at sharon.stangenes@gmail.com if you plan to attend online.



Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

430

Brian Dill, 1988

DARWALL'S 148TH 6.6.6.6.8.8

John Darwall, 1770

1. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
2. Long years have come and gone, And still God reigns su - preme,
3. Let cour-age be our friend, Let wis - dom be our guide,
4. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
Em - power-ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
As we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
For Christ the Lord has tri-umphed o'er the a - ges long!

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e-brate the jour-ney now and praise the Lord!

This tune in a lower key, 155

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Spring Concert Solo English Translations

Barley Field (Korean Art Song)

Walking through the beaten path of a barley field
The voice of someone calling me stops my walk there
Old memories make me feel lonesome, and so I whistle, whistle away

Hear then a song, a beautiful song, ringing in my ears.
Looking back to see if anyone is there, but I see none.
Even' the sunset in the empty sky fills my full view

Creo En Mí

I've already been told I'm good for nothing
And that the air that I breathe is different
I've been nailed to the wall against the sword
I have lost even the urge to cry

But I'm back
I'm standing and very alert
That of the left wing zero
It does not go...

I believe, I believe, I believe in me

I'm not scared of missiles or bullets
So much war gave me metal wings, ah-ah
Free flight, fly over the grenades
I do not crawl on the ground, never again

I'm no longer on sale
I'm standing and very alert
That of the left wing zero
It does not go...

I believe, I believe, I believe in me

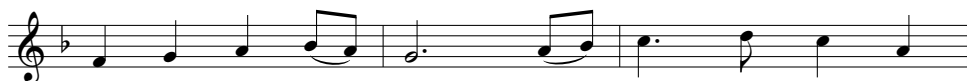
I think, I think, I think
We are all so unequal
Unique, original
If you don't like it, I don't care
The worst is over
And the best is to come

I believe, I believe, I believe in me

All Are Welcome



1. Let us build a house where love can dwell And
 2. Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, And
 3. Let us build a house where love is found In
 4. Let us build a house where hands will reach Be -
 5. Let us build a house where all are named, Their



all can safe - ly live, A place where saints and
 words are strong and true, Where all God's chil - dren
 wa - ter, wine and wheat: A ban - quet hall on
 yond the wood and stone To heal and strength - en,
 songs and vi - sions heard And loved and treas - ured,



chil - dren tell How hearts learn to for -
 dare to seek To dream God's reign a -
 ho - ly ground, Where peace and jus - tice
 serve and teach, And live the Word they've
 taught and claimed As words with - in the



give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions,
 new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness
 meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus,
 known. Here the out - cast and the stran - ger
 Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh - ter,



Rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the
 And as sym - bol of God's grace; Here as
 Is re - vealed in time and space; As we
 Bear the im - age of God's face; Let us
 Prayers of faith and songs of grace, Let this



love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro - claim from floor to raft - er:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.