

**Glen Echo Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
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Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Wave to Your Neighbors & Flash Your Headlights in Greeting
Introit

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CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. In you, we come home — to rest, to wrestle, to love, to be loved.

All: We dwell in you.

One: Before the mountains were born, before you delivered the whole world, from everlasting past to everlasting future, you are God. In you, we are home — we dream, we flourish, we fade, we rejoice.

All: We dwell in you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“This Is My Father’s World”

**This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas his hand the wonders wrought.**

**Our God has made this world: oh, let us ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
God trusts us with this world, to keep it clean and fair.
All earth and trees, the skies and seas, God's creatures everywhere.**

INVOCATION

GLORY TO GOD

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 1

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

But their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

PRAYER HYMN “Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”

**Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
And make me love thee as I ought to love.**

**Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame;
The baptism of the heaven-descended Dove,
My heart an altar, and thy love the flame.**

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer (debts/debtors)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet”’? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

SERMON

“Love God & Neighbor”

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HYMN OF PREPARATION

“I Come with Joy”

**I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved and free,
The life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me,
In love laid down for me.**

**As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
And strangers now are friends, and strangers now are friends.**

Invitation to Commune
Communion Sentences

One: In Christ we are accepted as we are. Believe that we are forgiven and loved with the delight of a parent who cherishes their child.

All: **We believe that we are the church, the body of Christ, called to love one another as children of God.**

Prayer of Consecration

(Please eat and drink the communion food that you brought from home.)

HYMN OF DEDICATION “I Come with Joy” (continued)

**Together met, together bound by all that God has done,
We'll go with joy, to give the world, the love that makes us one,
The love that makes us one.**

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE: Honk if you love Jesus!

POSTLUDE

(Please look for the large plastic tubs in which to place your offering.)

(Portions of today's worship service were adapted from *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion*; Kimberly Bracken Long, Editor.)

NEWS IN THE PEWS

*Today is the last of our two Stewardship Sundays. Please place your completed pledge card in the offering tub at the end of the service. You are also welcome to mail the completed pledge card to the church or to Diane by the end of the month.

*From Joan: “Outreach is unable to party with the kids at Meyer Hall on New Year’s Eve, but we want to give each person a gift bag of personal care items. We need to make 33 bags and we still need more items. We collected quite a few items at Drive-In Church during the month of August, but we still need more. Items needed are lip balm, boy’s deodorant, shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. All brushes need to be individually wrapped. The boxes for collection will be out as you exit the parking lot – just like last time. Thanks to everyone for your support.”

*\$245.00 was raised for the 2020 Des Moines Area Hunger Hike. Thank you for contributing to this program that addresses food scarcity for our neighbors.

*The time change occurs at 2:00 AM, Sunday, November 1st, when we will “fall back.” Please set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night, October 31st.

*You are invited to come to a noon Picnic in the Park(ing Lot) at Glen Echo on Saturday, November 7th. This fellowship event will give us a chance to get together during November. Please bring your own food, drinks, chairs, and masks to wear when you are not eating. Feel free to use your tailgate or trunk as a table when dining. Makings for s’mores will be provided in a safe way, including the means to toast marshmallows.

*This is the last week for Drive-In Church this fall. The Worship Committee is safely providing treats for everyone.

Beginning November 1st, worship services will be offered online (through Glen Echo’s YouTube channel) and on DVDs. If you own a computer, you will receive an email each Friday afternoon that contains a direct link to that weekend’s service. Links will also be posted on our website and our Facebook page. Bulletins will no longer be emailed, because song lyrics, prayer concerns, birthdays and announcements will appear in the videos of the services. Information will be communicated in ways that protect members’ privacy.

If you do not own a computer, you will be provided with a DVD each week that contains that weekend’s service. Please contact the church office and let the staff know if you would like the DVD delivered to your home or if you would prefer to pick it up at the church.



Children's Messages will be included in the online and DVD worship services beginning November 1, 2020. It is anticipated that puppets will make some appearances.

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