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UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR

Sunday,

June 23, 2024

10:00 AM

**Fifth Sunday after
Pentecost**

Pride Sunday



OPEN & AFFIRMING IN SROKLE, IL



Welcome to Worship!

SUNDAYS @ 10:00AM

In-person Worship. Masks and distance recommended, not required

Livestream on YouTube. Live at 10am then available on our channel

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Open Communion

All Christians and seekers after God are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper with us the **first Sunday of every month** and special Holy Days (Christmas, Maundy Thursday, and Easter). **At-home Communion** participants are invited to provide their own elements and join when Pastor bids you, "take, eat, and drink."



About St. Peter's UCC

We've been in the heart of downtown Skokie since 1867. We are a part of the United Church of Christ, which means we are passionate about our faith and open in our thinking. We believe in a Triune God who **loves everyone**, regardless of gender identity, orientation, race, status, or physical or mental ability, and we **joyously welcome all people** to share worship, membership, marriage, baptism, funeral, and fellowship with us.



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St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Skokie
Order of Worship for
Sunday, June 23, 2024 at 10:00am
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Welcome to worship. The music before the service is intended as a time of silent prayer and preparation.

PRELUDE "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Metzinger

THE RINGING OF THE BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS Peggy Reins

Will those who are able please stand up

CALL TO WORSHIP

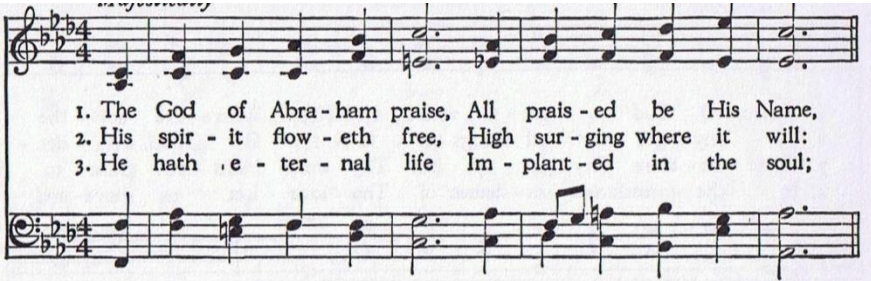
P: God has shown us what is good, and what then is required of us?

C: To act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God.

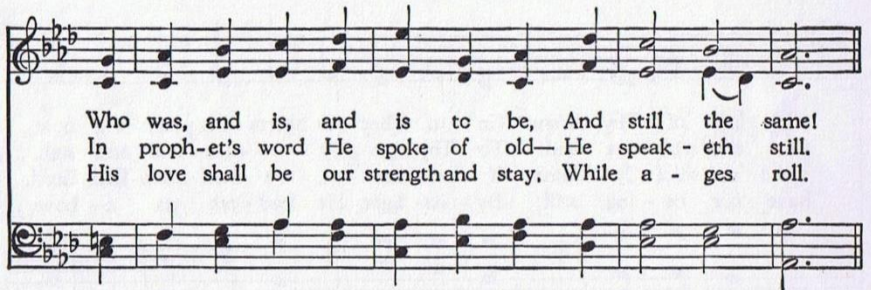
P: Jesus said, "Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the One who sent me."

C: The Spirit says, "Come." Let each one who hears the Spirit say, "Come," for all are welcome here.

P: Let us worship God!

RESPONSE “The God of Abraham Praise” #61 (v.1)


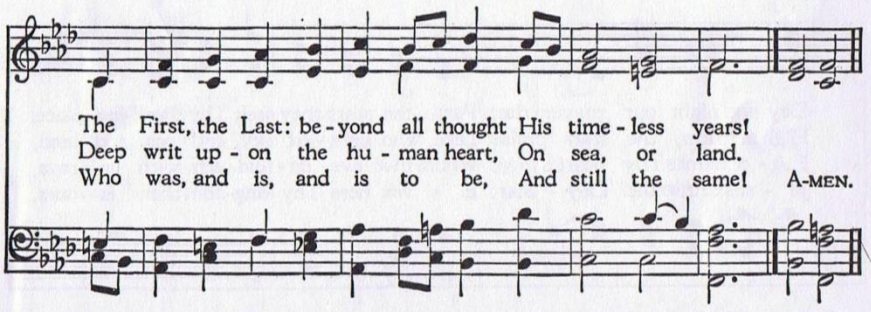
1. The God of Abra - ham praise, All prais - ed be His Name,
 2. His spir - it flow - eth free, High sur - ging where it will:
 3. He hath e - ter - nal life Im - plant - ed in the soul;



Who was, and is, and is to be, And still the same!
 In proph-et's word He spoke of old— He speak - eth still.
 His love shall be our strength and stay, While a - ges roll.



The one e - ter - nal God, Ere aught that now ap - pears;
 Es - tab - lished is His law, And change-less it shall stand,
 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be His Name,



The First, the Last: be - yond all thought His time - less years!
 Deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, On sea, or land.
 Who was, and is, and is to be, And still the same! A-MEN.

CALL TO CONFESSION

P: We are a pilgrim people, accompanied by our God, who journeys beside us, accepting who we are; yet goes before us, beckoning us toward who we might become.

C: But as we move through our days, other gods call to us, questions confound us, direction blurs, indifference lulls; we lose our way.

P: So we enter into silence, to discern again the nearness of God, who is our hope and guide.

(Moments for silent prayer)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

P: Sisters and brothers, we can trust God at all times, for the Holy One is our refuge and our salvation! So with confidence, let us pour out a shared confession of our hearts.

C: We confess to You, steadfast God, that we wander from the path of love upon which we are meant to walk. Fears divide us, prejudice hardens us, violence destroys us.

P: But You eternally beckon.

C: We turn our hearts again to You, God of grace and mercy. Forgive us love that is self-satisfied, and teach us love that is self- and other-affirming.

Forgive us faith that makes us rush to judgment, and give us faith that fills us with compassion. Forgive us peace we have made with our divisions, and unite us in peace that passes understanding. We pray, with thanksgiving, in the name of Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON *First Peter 2:24, 25*

P: Speaking of Jesus, First Peter says, “He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls.”

Our sins are forgiven by the love-driven self-offering of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ! We are washed clean, and by the Spirit of God within and among us, we are transformed more and more into the image of Christ. In claiming the good news from the overflowing riches of God’s grace, please join me in saying . . .

A: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

SSB #20



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I cy - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tow'r,
 thou, and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish 8th–10th cent.; tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1880–1931; vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1860–1935. alt.
 Music: ST ANE, Irish tune

The congregation may be seated

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Barb Todd

Old Testament:

Genesis 18:1-8

New Testament:

Acts 8:4-8, 26-40

MUSICAL MEDITATION “Be Thou My Vision”

arr. Callahan

Will those who are able please stand up

THE GOSPEL

Luke 10: 25-37

RESPONSE

“Alleluia”

#495

RE-AFFIRMATION OF OUR OPEN AND AFFIRMING COVENANT

Passed June 24, 2018

A: We the parishioners of St. Peter’s United Church of Christ in Skokie, make before God and ourselves, a promise to live our daily lives with love, honor and respect, believing that since we’re all made in God’s image, all people are created equal. And thus, all people are to be treated, loved and welcomed equally, regardless of gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, creed, color, race, economic status, or physical/mental ability.

We therefore welcome all people to share our Church for the purposes of worship, marriage, baptism, funeral and fellowship, with full participation in the life and ministries of the Church, asking that those who come have no intent to do

**harm and welcome others to our church as well.
People shall be embraced with love and the
knowledge that we are all one in the eyes of God.**

RESPONSE

"Gloria Patri"

#493

*The congregation may be seated***PASTORAL AND SILENT PRAYERS****THE LORD'S PRAYER****A: 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****OFFERTORY***If you donate electronically, feel free to place a yellow "Electronic Giving" card into the plate as it comes around so you can enjoy participating in the physical act of giving.*

RESPONSE

“We are an Offering”

SSB #11

We lift our voi - ces, we lift our hands, we lift our

lives up to You, we are an of - fer - ing; Lord, use our

voi - ces, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our

lives, they are Yours, we are an of - fer - ing.

All that we have, all that we are,

all that we hope to be we give to You, we

give to You. We lift our

voi - ces, we lift our hands, we lift our

lives up to You, we are an of - fer - ing, we are an of - fer - ing.

The congregation may be seated

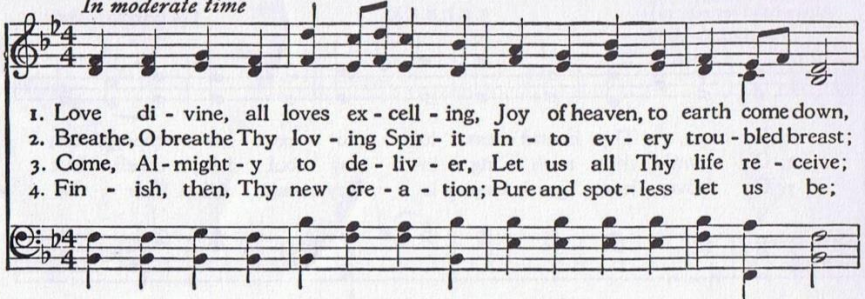
SERMON

“Saving Our Humanity”

Will those who are able please stand up

HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #272

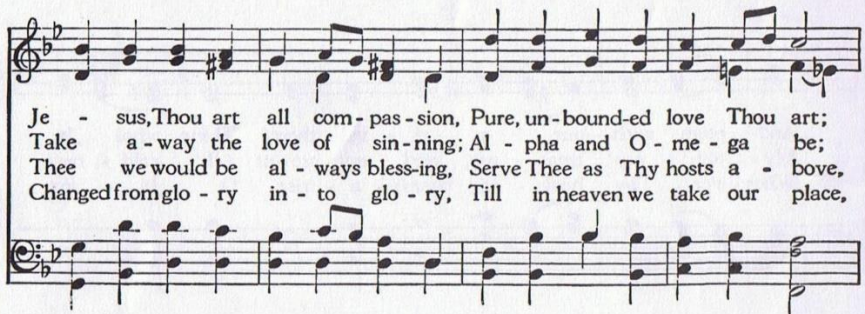
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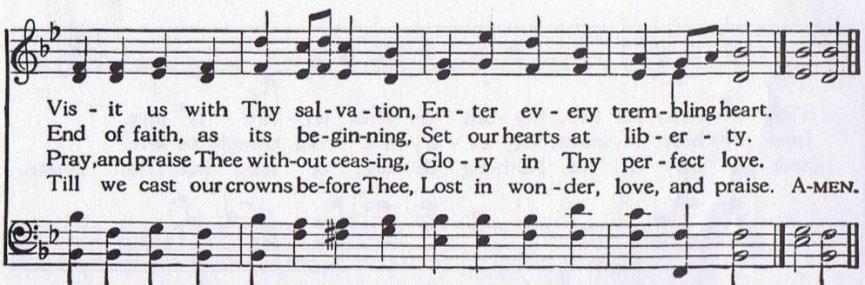
1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to ev - ery trou - bled breast;
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, Let us all Thy life re - ceive;
 4. Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less let us be;



Fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown:
 Let us all in Thee in - her - it, Let us find the prom - ised rest;
 Gra - cious - ly re - turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
 Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee;



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art;
 Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove,
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in heaven we take our place,



Vis - it us with Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 End of faith, as its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 Pray, and praise Thee with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
 Till we cast our crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise. A - MEN.

CHARGE

P: Go in peace;

C: Keep the faith;

P: Love one another,

C: Serve the Lord!

BENEDICTION *Ephesians 3:20, 21*

P: “Now to Him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly more than we can ask or imagine, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.

C: Amen.”

POSTLUDE “Postlude in C” by Clarke

The music after the service is intended as a time of reflection. Pastor will be pleased to greet you at the Sanctuary doors as soon as the postlude has concluded, and our livestream has stopped.

FOR WORSHIP TODAY

MINISTER	Rev. Richard Lanford
MUSIC DIRECTOR	Ben Westphal
DEACON	Maria Altmayer
LIVESTREAM RECORDING	Jenn Schneider
NURSERY ATTENDANT	Annie Noorts

Uses of the LGBTQIA+ Acronym

The acronym LGBTQIA+ has become more popular and accepted. Terms such as queer are sometimes used as well, but not all members of the community are comfortable with it as it is still a slur.

When to Use It

So how do you know when to use the term LGBTQIA+?

- The purpose of the term is to be inclusive of all same-gender attracted and trans people.
- Use a specific term if you are talking about issues that may be specific to a particular orientation or identity.
- Be specific when talking about individuals. LGBTQIA+ is also an adjective for the community as a whole, not for a single person. For example, you wouldn't say "Ali is LGBTQIA+"—you'd say "Ali is gay."

While LGBTQ+ on its own is the most commonly used and probably widely recognized, LGBTQIA+ is more inclusive to the larger community. Even more inclusive variations exist, such as LGBTQI2S (which represents lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning, queer, intersex, and Two-Spirit). Indigenous people created the term Two-Spirit to separate themselves from Western descriptions of gender and sexual identities, and some feel it is disrespectful to attach Two-Spirit to the acronym because of that.

Regardless of what terms people choose to use, what matters is that people have choice in self-identification and that others acknowledge that identity. If someone tells you how they identify, focus on honoring their individual identity.

If you are interested in learning more about what terms and phrases should be avoided, GLAAD, the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, has a reference page that offers helpful information on LGBTQ terms as well as information on terms that are specific to the transgender community.

LGBTQIA+ Resources

If you are interested in learning about LGBTQIA+ issues, there are a number of resources available that can help.

- [The Trevor Project](#)
- [Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network \(GLSEN\)](#)
- [National Center for Transgender Equality \(NCTE\)](#)

The goal of using more inclusive terms like LGBTQIA+ is to improve visibility, recognition, and acceptance. It is important to remember that LGBTQIA+ people continue to face discrimination. Transgender and gender-nonconforming individuals, in particular, are frequently the target of social and economic marginalization as well as harassment and violence.

Terms and definitions are always evolving. When it comes to something as personal as sexuality and gender identity, these terms and definitions can mean different things to different people. While working to understand and use terms such as LGBTQIA+ can help increase the visibility of people who have faced marginalization and discrimination, it is important to remember that the most important labels or definitions are the ones that people give to themselves.

If you are seeking support for issues with coming out, relationships, bullying, self-harm, and more, contact the [LGBT National Hotline](#) at **1-888-843-4564** for one-to-one peer support.

For more mental health resources, see our [National Helpline Database](#).

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News in the Pews

On this first official Sunday of summer, I greet you in the bright, warm love of Jesus! Welcome to worship. Today we mark Pride Sunday as we renew our St. Peter's Covenant to be an Open and Affirming Congregation.

After worship there is a Fourth Sunday Conversation, with a light coffee hour too. The topic of conversation will be: "Looking ahead, what do you see for ongoing involvement in St. Peter's? Are there ways to encourage renewal and re-engagement?" All are encouraged and welcome to join us!

Saint Peter's has a presence again at the family friendly Skokie Pride celebration at Oakton Park from 1-4 PM.

Come by and visit our booth! There will be a craft for kids, and very many booths, music, CoCo Shonell and Drag Story Hour, face-painting, a bounce house, magicians, food trucks, a 'color explosion dance party,' and more!

THE DATE FOR THE CLEAN & SET UP for the Retirement Party has changed! It will be Saturday, June 29th from 10:00AM – 12:00PM to set up, clean and get our church into the best shape possible.

We serve at the Kitchen this week! It's this Saturday, June 29th. We need one more server to join Pastor, Beth, Peggy and Chad there from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM. Also, we think we'd benefit from some cash donations to our church's fund for the purchase of the groceries, which the Kitchen staff use

to make the dinner we serve. We hope you can help; and thank you very much!

Next Sunday, June 30th, Pastor will lead his final worship service here at St. Peter's U.C.C. before retiring, effective July 1st. We will celebrate the unity of the Body of Christ and our community as we have the Lord's Supper one final time. At 5:00 PM the Goodbye Dinner will be held in our church Auditorium / Gym and we hope that you made reservations!

Lanford Celebration Fund – we have not yet met our goal of covering the full cost of the banquet and gift, please donate if you can! You can drop-off, mail or put in the offering a check with a note on your check or envelope that the funds should be directed to the “Lanford Fund.”

Calling all bakers - As a part of the retirement banquet on June 30th for Pastor and Beth, we are asking our wonderful crew of bakers to pull out their spatulas and turn on their ovens to send Pastor and Beth off with bellies full of wonderful memories, and lots of great sweets. We're looking for finger foods, cookies, bars, cupcakes, etc. No big cakes or pies.

Please help with the Retirement Video! If you haven't yet submitted your video, today is the last day so please do!! This is VERY easy to do. Just click the link below or scan the QR code with your phone. This will take you directly to the site and walk you through doing the video. Link:
<https://share.vidday.com/e/r-9e8xdn>

Our People

Having birthdays or anniversaries this week are Gena Zelenka and Kristine Hoellerich; Aaliyah and Eric Svenson and Ken and Adrianna Paige both mark their wedding anniversaries on June 27th! God's blessings are wished for all of them.

According to the schedule, barring any switches, next Sunday's Lector will be Carolyn Van Til; the Nursery Attendant will be Kathy Z.

Our Call to Worship, to Confession, and our Prayer of Confession are taken from Worship Resources for the Welcoming Church Movement, published by the Institute for Welcoming Resources, a program of the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force, affiliated with the Open and Affirming Coalition of the United Church of Christ.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

PRESIDENT	Peggy Reins
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SECRETARY	Annie Noorts
FINANCIAL SECRETARY	Maria Altmayer

Regular Reminders!

Let us know you were here! Please sign the attendance sheet in the black pew pads and when you think your pew is ready, please pass the pad towards the center aisle of the church.

Pantry Donations – our Jewel Foods donations are starting to dwindle - we can always use more donations! They can be left on the shelves near the staircase by the office doors on Laramie Ave.

We are always grateful for any and all offerings to the church. No amount is too small! So many thanks to everyone who's been keeping us going with your donations! See inside the bulletin's front cover for details on how to donate.



MISSION MOMENTS

June 23, 2024

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

“Pushing the Boat Out”

Mark 4:35–41

The United Church of Christ celebrates our 67th anniversary this weekend. These opening paragraphs of our history describe the ways in which very different faith communities prepared to live into the slogan “in essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity.” How does your congregation still live out that slogan today?

On Tuesday, June 25, 1957, at Cleveland, Ohio, the Evangelical and Reformed Church, 23 years old, passionate in its impulse to unity, committed to “liberty of conscience inherent in the Gospel,” and the Congregational Christian Churches, 26 years old, a fellowship of biblical people under a mutual covenant for responsible freedom in Christ, joined together as the United Church of Christ. The new church embodied the essence of both parents, a complement of freedom with order, of the English and

European Reformations with the American Awakenings, of separatism with 20th-century ecumenism, of presbyterian with congregational polities, of neoorthodox with liberal theologies. Two million members joined hands...

A message was sent to the churches from the Uniting General Synod, signed by its moderators, Louis W. Goebel and George B. Hastings, its co-presidents, and co-secretaries Sheldon E. Mackey and Fred S. Buschmeyer. After acknowledging the separate ancestries of the parties to the union and citing ecumenical “relatives” of both denominations, the message stated, “Differences in ecclesiastical procedure, which in sundry places and times have occasioned tensions and disorders, are appointed their secondary place and are divested of evil effect.” The union, the message continued, was possible because the “two companies of Christians hold the same basic belief: that Christ and Christ alone is the head of the Church ... From him [we] derive the understanding of God, ... participation in the same spirit, the doctrines of faith, the influence toward holiness, the duties of divine worship, the apprehension of the significance of baptism and the Lord’s Supper, the observance of church order, the mutual love of Christians and their dedication to the betterment of the world” (“Report on the Uniting General Synod:” Advance, July 12, 1957, p. 22).

You can read more of the story of the birth and early decade of our denomination by navigating to:

<https://www.ucc.org/who-we-are/about/history/#united-church>

Genesis 18:1-8

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said."

And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

Acts 8:4-8, 26-40

Now those who were scattered went from place to place, proclaiming the word. Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Messiah to them. The crowds with one accord listened eagerly to what was said by Philip, hearing and seeing the signs that he did, for unclean spirits, crying with loud shrieks, came out of many who were possessed; and many others who were paralyzed or lame were cured. So there was great joy in that city.

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.

Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.

Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

*"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth.*

*In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."*

The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Luke 10:25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself."

And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two

denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.'

Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."