



The First Church in Albany

Sunday, September 19, 2021, 9:00 am

Drive-In Order of Service

You may tune in on your car radio at 87.9FM.

We Gather in the Presence of God

Prelude “

I’ll Fly Away”

Traditional Hymn

Zak Morton, guitar and vocals

Some glad morning when this life is o’er
I’ll fly away
To a home on God’s celestial shore
I’ll fly away

Chorus

I’ll Fly Away, Oh! Glory
I’ll Fly Away
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by
I’ll Fly Away

When shadows of this life has grown
I’ll fly away
Like a bird from prison bars has flown
I’ll fly away

Chorus

Just a few more weary days and then
I’ll fly away
To a land where joys shall never end
I’ll fly away

Chorus

Confident in God's grace, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

We confess, O God, that it is hard to be humble in our interactions with the world and your church. We confess, O God, that we like the disciples in the gospels, often fail to understand or embrace your value system. We confess that too often, we come to be served rather than coming to serve. We confess that too often we seek to be recognized, rather than coming to adore you. Too often we come looking to consume rather than seeking communion with you. Too often we seek to judge more than we seek justice! Help us to reach for you in our hearts and minds. In each day, may we fully experience the joys of the day as well as the opportunities to be of service.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Pardon (John 3:16)

For God so loved the world, He gave his only Son. Whosoever believeth in Him shall have eternal life.

Prayer of Illumination

**Spirit of the Living God fall afresh on me
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

Scripture

Mark 9:30-37

³⁰Jesus and the disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know it; ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again."³²But the disciples did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?"³⁴But the disciples were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest.

³⁵Jesus sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶He then took a little child and brought the child among them; and taking the child in his arms, Jesus said to them, ³⁷“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me, welcomes not me, but the one who sent me.”

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

“One Day at a Time”

Rev. Dr. Mashona Walston

The Prayer and Blessing on the Word

The Lord’s Prayer

**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.**

Offering

Song

“One Love”

Bob Marley

Zak Morton, guitar and vocals

One love, one heart
Let’s get together and feel all right
Hear the children crying (one love)
Hear the children crying (one heart)
Sayin’, “Give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel all right”
Sayin’, “Let’s get together and feel all right.”
Whoa, whoa, whoa, whoa

Let them all pass all their dirty remarks (one love)
There is one question I'd really love to ask (one heart)

Let them all pass all their dirty remarks (one love)
There is one question I'd really love to ask (one heart)
Is there a place for the hopeless sinner
Who has hurt all mankind just to save his own?
Believe me

One love (what about one heart?)
One heart (what about the love?)
Let's get together and feel all right
As it was in the beginning (one love)
So shall it be in the end (one heart)
Alright, give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel all right
Let's get together and feel all right
One more thing

Let's get together to fight this Holy Armageddon (one love)
So when the Man comes there will be no, no doom (one song)
Have pity on those whose chances grow thinner
There ain't no hiding place from the Father of Creation

Sayin', one love (what about one heart?)
One heart (what about the?)
Let's get together and feel all right
I'm pleading to mankind (one love)
One heart (one heart) whoa
Give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel all right
Let's get together and feel all right

Give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel all right
Said let's get together and feel all right.

Benediction

Postlude

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Mashona Walston

Liturgist: Trey Tirpak

Guest Musician: Zak Morton, guitar and vocals

Technical Team: Joshua Bliss and Stephen Reohr

Notes:

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Please keep in prayer this week...

- Jane, sister of Donna Schultz
- Elaine and Jim Jenks, Rose Hunsberger's parents
- Myrica Cook, friend of the Persons family
- Spencer Allen, deployed to Afghanistan
- Lorraine Houk
- Barb Andrews
- Haleigh Bliss
- Mary Weijola
- Neil Keen
- Ian Leet
- Kathleen, wife of Glenn Claydon who has played guitar for our drive-in service
- RB with a recent diagnosis
- Kenneth Carr (Fran's brother) and Angela Venable, for the loss of their daughter
- Harriet Stockhoff
- Kathy Stallmer (Monthie family)
- Cheryl Gowie
- Steve Hoffman
- Ada Harris
- Ginger
- Charles Welge
- Olivia Gaydushek
- Students of all ages as they return to school
- Staff and Leaders

Prayer Concerns? If you would like your church family to join you in prayer, please share your concerns and joys with us.

Submit on our website or call the office at 518-463-4449 or email office@firstchurchinalbany.org.



Children & Worship

Delay in the Start of the Program

The Children and Worship Team has decided that a safe course of action would be to delay the start of Children and Worship by two weeks in order to assess the impact of school exposure on Covid cases among children, and to be prepared to adopt additional guidance that may result.

The Open House/Orientation for children and parents is now scheduled for Sunday, October 10 during the regular worship service. The first session will meet on Sunday, October 17.

Preparations for the coming year include the development of safety protocols and moving the children's Worship Center to a larger space that will support social distancing.



For questions, contact Sara Bonam Welge at sbonam@nycap.rr.com or Kathie Monthie at kamonthie@gmail.com

All Saints Day is November 1st

- On Sunday, October 31, we will remember our loved ones lost in 2020. Please email or call the office with the names of church members and friends who have passed. We will include these in the bulletin and the names will be read in memory.

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