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AUGUST 24, 2025



Service of Worship for the
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

FANWOOD
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WELCOME TO WORSHIP at

FANWOOD

ABOUT “THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA”

The Phantom of the Opera is a musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber, lyrics by Charles Hart and Richard Stilgoe, and a libretto by Lloyd Webber and Stilgoe. Based on the 1910 novel by Gaston Leroux, it is the longest running musical in Broadway history. In 1988 it received the Tony Award for Best Musical, and a film adaptation was released in 2004.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Our music team is led each week by Alexa Teebo, Luyang Liu, and Jason Rivera. Our guest musicians are Broderick Brown and Elizabeth Smith.

WORSHIP ONLINE

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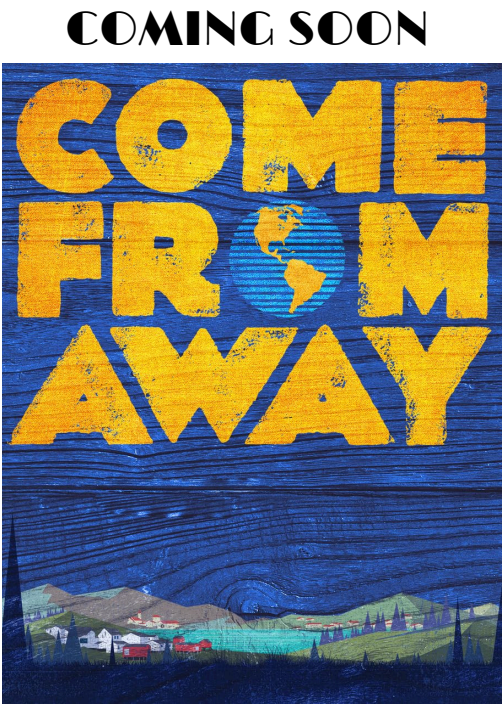
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** indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*



Act One:
GATHERING

PRELUDE “Masquerade” from *The Phantom of the Opera* Luyang Liu

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG “Worship To Do” adapted from *Pippin*

*We’ve got worship to do, just for you
We’ve got miracles we can pray
We’ve got minds to transform, hearts to warm
Kings and things to take by storm
as we go along our way*

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Out of silence, a melody begins.

All: Out of brokenness, beauty takes shape.

One: We gather in a world where shadows linger,

All: Yet the light of Christ breaks through every darkness.

One: We come with our masks, the parts of us hidden and unseen,

All: But God knows us fully and loves us completely.

One: We bring our longings, our hopes, our questions, our dreams.

All: And God welcomes them all, bringing hope from despair.

One: Here, no mask is needed, love is stronger than fear, and grace
sings louder than sorrow.

All: Let us worship the One whose song of love will never end!

One: Let us worship God!

OPENING MUSIC “Angel of Music” from *The Phantom of the Opera*
Brody Brown, Elizabeth Smith

CALL TO CONFESSION & SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of mercy, we confess that we come to You with masks. We hide
the parts of ourselves we fear others will not accept. We bury our
wounds, our failures, and our shame in the shadows. We long to be
seen and loved, yet we tremble at the thought of vulnerability.**

**Forgive us, O God, for the times we have chosen fear over love,
judgment over compassion, silence over truth. Lift the mask from
our faces, shine Your light into our darkness, and teach us to live as
Your beloved children. In the name of Christ we pray, Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* RESPONSE “Day by Day” from *Godspell*

*Day by day, day by day,
Oh dear Lord, three things I pray:
to see thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
follow thee more nearly, day by day.*

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Act Two:
PROCLAMATION

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC “Phantom of the Opera” from *The Phantom of the Opera*

SCRIPTURE READING from Philippians 4: 4-9

MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Stacy C. Smith

Act Three:
RESPONSE

OFFERTORY “Music of the Night” from *The Phantom of the Opera*

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the

voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

* DOXOLOGY to the tune of “Send in the Clowns” from *A Little Night Music*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Act Four:
SENDING

* CLOSING SONG to the tune of “Edelweiss” from *The Sound of Music*

*May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see God’s face, and God’s grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.*

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “All I Ask of You” from *The Phantom of the Opera*