Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel

1 Tower Avenue in Historic Fort Snelling, Minnesota

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

7 January 2024 — 11:00 a.m.

Non-Denominational Christian Worship Service

hosted by

Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation

Jesus Christ, *Head of the Church*
The Congregation, *Ministers of the Gospel*

Ministerial Staff

Rev. Dr. Kenneth "Ken" L. Beale, Jr., *Senior Chaplain*
Rev. Philip "Buddy" A. Winn, Jr., *Associate Chaplain*
Dr. Desiderius "Desi" Klempay, *Organist*
Tamara Henschel, *Special Music Coordinator*

Administrative Staff

Bev Johnson, *Office Manager*
Barbara Linert, *Administrative Assistant*
Carol Nygaard, *Accounting Specialist*

Where the Veteran Is Remembered

ORDER OF WORSHIP

We are glad that you are here for worship today!
*The * indicates that you are invited to stand as you are able.*
*The ** indicates times for the ushers to seat latecomers.*
*The **bold print** indicates readings/choral responses of the congregation.*
If you have a cell phone, please turn off the ringer. Thank you.

Lighting of Altar Candles *Symbol of the Spirit's Presence*

Lighting of the POW/MIA Candle

Special Music "Greensleeves" arr. R. Purvis
"Still, Still, Still" P. Manz
"Now Sing We Now, Rejoice" P. Manz

Organ Prelude "Blest Be The Tie that Binds" W. Held

Consider using these sacred moments to meditate upon the scripture reading and prepare yourself to receive a blessing from God. Kindly be considerate of your neighbor's need for silence. We encourage your conversations to be held following worship. Please refrain from applause after the organ prelude.

Ringing of the Ship Bell

Call to Worship L = Leader **P = People**

L: When we consider God's laws, they seem like a heavy yoke with which we are burdened.
P: We are reminded that Jesus invited us to take His yoke, which is light and easy to bear.
L: Jesus comes in fulfillment of the law, giving us grace when the law would condemn us.
P: We are burdened with sin, and come to Christ, that He may lead us into the joy of salvation.

* ***Processional Hymn of Praise*** "Awake, Awake to Love and Work"
Tune: "All Beautiful the March of Days" # 85
"Forest Green" words and music by Studdert-Kennedy and Williams
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1. Awake, awake to love and work! The lark is in the sky; the fields are wet with diamond dew; the worlds awake to cry their blessings on the Lord of life, as He goes meekly by. Awake, awake to love and work, the lark is in the sky.
2. Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of praise; see how the giant sun soars up, great Lord of years and days! So let the love of Jesus come and set thy soul ablaze: Come let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of praise.
3. To give and give, and give again, what God hath given thee; to spend thyself nor count the cost; to serve right gloriously the God who gave all worlds that are, and all that are to be. To give and give, and give again, what God hath given thee.

* ***Invocation***

* ***Choral Response*** (sung by all)

"Habakkuk 2:20" music by Harrington
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The Lord is in His holy temple;
Let all the earth keep silence before Him.

** ***Organ Interlude***

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Our Father, we know how heavy the burden of sin is. And when we read Your laws, our sins become all the heavier. But Your Son has come to share Your grace, that we may not be burdened without hope. Forgive us, O God, not only for the sins we carry but also for neglecting the grace of Your Son, which would relieve us. Lead us into the paths of righteousness, guided by the loving grace of our Lord, that we may find Your promised rest. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

* ***Gloria Patri*** (sung by all)

"Greatorex" words and music by *Gloria Patri*, 2nd cent. and Greatorex
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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

* ***Statement of Faith*** The Apostles' Creed, *Ecumenical Version*

L: Christian, what do you believe?

P: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and the life everlasting. Amen.

** ***Organ Interlude***

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith
Thanksgiving Over the Water
Baptism of Water

Ryan Maddox Crawford
Born: 19 November 2004
Parents: Dean I. and Nancy A. Powell

Prayer
Commendation and Welcome
Response: **We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

** ***Organ Interlude***

Children's Message (children gather on the steps of the chancel)

† Children Ages 5-10 are dismissed for Children's Church †

Special Music "Trumpet Tune" J. Roman

Scripture Reading St. Matthew 11:28-30 (New King James Version)

[28] Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. [29] Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. [30] For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Sermon **"Life in the Fast Lane"** Chaplain Winn

* ***Hymn of Response*** "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" # 405

"Vox dilecti" words and music by Bonar and Dykes
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1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon My breast." I came to Jesus as I was, weary and worn and sad; I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give the living water, thirsty one; stoop down, and drink, and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light; look unto Me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my star, my sun; and in that light of life I'll walk, till traveling days are done. Amen.

Greeting and Sharing of Church Life

We share the community announcements and invite everyone to record their presence by signing and passing the red "Friendship Pad" with those in your pew. Cards are provided in the pew card holders for writing prayer requests and placing on the offering plate.

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Dedication Prayer

Offertory Music "Angels We Have Heard on High" T. Albrecht

* Stewardship Response (sung by all)

"Old Hundredth" words and music by Ken and Bourgeois
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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Call to Prayer

Sharing of Joys and Concerns (text prayer requests to 612-747-1059)

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

Pastoral Prayer of the People

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

* *Recessional Hymn of Dedication*

"Forth in Thy Name, O Lord" UMH # 438

"Duke Street" words and music by Wesley and Hatton
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1. Forth in Thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labor to pursue; Thee, only Thee, resolve to know in all I think or speak or do.
2. The task Thy wisdom hath assigned, O let me cheerfully fulfill; in all my works Thy presence find, and prove Thy good and perfect will.
3. Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes mine inmost substance see, and labor on at Thy command, and offer all my works to Thee.
4. For Thee delightfully employ what-e'er Thy bounteous grace hath given; and run my course with even joy, and closely walk with Thee to heaven.

* ***Benediction***

* ***Extinguishing of the POW/MIA Candle***

* ***Choral Response*** (sung by all)

"America" words and music by Smith and *'Thesaurus Musicus'*
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Our fathers' God, to Thee, author of liberty, to Thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might, great God, our King. Amen.

* ***Extinguishing of Altar Candles*** *Taking the Light Into the World*

Postlude "March of the Three Kings" C. Dandrieu

† Children are dismissed from the classroom to return to guardians †

WORSHIP LEADER: Anne Heller

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Colette Winn

WELCOME KIT DISTRIBUTOR: Barbara Linert

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Deanna Strauss and Nancy Powell

FELLOWSHIP GREETERS: Ryan & Nancy Powell

SPECIAL MUSIC: A sincere welcome to **Dr. Desi Klempay**, our chapel organist, on the historic Kimball pipe organ. He received his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in Music & Organ Performance from California State University, Los Angeles; and a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Organ Performance from the University of MN and an organ diploma from the Mozarteum Conservatory in Salzburg, Austria. Many thanks for sharing your time and talents with us this Lord's Day!

+ + + *ANNOUNCEMENTS* + + +

Please Join Us in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday following the worship service. A cup of coffee, tea, or punch awaits you, along with delicious treats prepared by our Kitchen Angels.

Interested in Helping? There is a sign-up roster hanging outside the kitchen entrance for assisting with our weekly fellowship time. For more information, call Carol Nygaard, Fellowship Hour Coordinator, at 952-882-1787.

CE Class (Sundays 9:45-10:30 a.m.) Topic: **American Presidents**—is held in the Fellowship Hall facilitated by Bob Cizek. Handouts are provided each week.

FREE Devotional Materials are available to you in the Fellowship Hall. The *Our Daily Bread* (Dec-Feb) devotional is available. Also LARGE PRINT copies of *Our Daily Bread* (Jan-Mar) is available.

Next Week (14 Jan) is the ***Second Sunday after Epiphany.*** Chaplain Buddy Winn will proclaim a message entitled ***"From Screen Time to Sacred Time"*** based on Psalm 46:10-11. Vocalist/Guitarist **Tim Dahl** will provide the special music.

If You Have a Prayer Request ... our *Prayer Chain* can be activated by calling our coordinator, Suzanne Berg (612-743-1780). Your prayer concerns will be held confidential and shared only among the prayer chain members and pastor.

Kindly Assist Us by Wearing Your Name Tag each week. Learning one another's name is extremely important to our growth as a church family. If you don't have one or have misplaced yours, so indicate on the pew card *or* call the Chapel Office at 952-888-1525 to request one. Be sure to pick up your name tag the next week in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for cooperating with this request.

Full service CDs and **DVDs** of each worship service are available for a donation of **$5** each. Use the order envelope available in the Fellowship Hall. You can pick up your CD/DVD the following week at the Chapel, or if you would prefer to have your CD/DVD mailed to you, please be sure to include your address on the order form and your purchase will be mailed to you.

Benevolence: This congregation tithes (10% of) plate offerings. If you know of an organization/ministry that is in keeping with our purpose, please feel free to secure an application to submit for financial support. Simply call the Foundation Office at 952-888-1525 and provide your name and mailing address.

Ministry Beyond the Walls: Our weekly worship services can be viewed LIVE from your internet service. Homebound and absent members and friends can simply go to https://new.livestream.com/accounts/3709164 and tune in any Sunday starting at 10:45 a.m. Central Time. Services are also archived there for later viewing.

If you have an e-mail address and are not currently receiving the midweek ***"Chapel Chatter"***—providing you with what you need to know about the coming Sunday at the Chapel—please send an e-mail to the Chapel Foundation (info@fortsnellingmcf.org) and request to be added to this *Constant Contact* distro.

On-Line Giving Vehicle (VANCO): If you are homebound, traveling, relocated, or appreciate the Chapel Foundation ministry that comes to you by livestream, e-mails, newsletters, and/or pastoral care, PLEASE consider making your contributions at our website at https://fortsnellingmcf.org/opportunities-for-giving/general-offering/.

This Week in U.S. Military History:
3 Jan 1777 — *Battle of Princeton*

WW2 Round Table ... **Tue, 9 Jan** (7 p.m.) at MN History Center, 345 W Kellogg Blvd, St Paul. Topic: **The Casablanca Conference & Grand Strategy**—where a clash of military perspectives lead to the strategy for the Allied victory in both theaters. FREE admission. Parking $6/$4 MNHS members.

A Special Welcome to our Visitors . . .

We are delighted you have chosen to worship here today! May you experience a sincere welcome and a sense of God's love for you. We gather as a community of faith to share the *Good News* of Jesus Christ. We encourage you to return again ... and bring others with you. We hope that we may provide the sense of community and stimulation of character you have been searching for. We provide individual pastoral care by request. You may call the chaplain for an appointment. We are willing to provide additional services as needed. Simply call the Chapel Office (952-888-1525) or Chaplain Ken (612-747-1059). If you would like to talk about the sacrament of baptism for yourself or a member of your family, arrangements can be made by contacting the chaplain. For bookings of the Chapel, contact the Fort Snelling State Park directly at 612-279-3555. Worship services are not subsidized or endorsed by the MN DNR.

Upholding the Chapel with our Membership Vows of ...

Prayers

Juanita Rector; Mary Bangerter; Ron Casteel; Keegan Iversen; Arlene Amyotte; Barb Steffenson; Trudy Miller; Leslie Hoppe; Nancy Tjornhom; Leslee; Barb Bohlin; free SSgt Calvin Gibbs & Pfc Corey Clagett; John Butler; Char; JoAnn Harkins; Pat Schwietz; Bob Maginnis; grandson Tyler; Carol Krohn; Sylvia; Laurie Wahl; Leslie Henschel; Paul Raleigh; Cathy Hennelly; Mel Henschel; Nina; Greg Maginnis; Kermit Bischoff; Patricia Adler; Kayla Rigney; Henry Langer; Sandy Sorensen; CH Thomas Eddy; Mike Wallman; Mick Burkard; Deb Axtell; Barbara Patton; Rich Quiring; Maddie Seeman; Tamara Henschel; Margaret Flower; Paul Anderson; Moreau & Dawn Sankey; Marla McLeland; Harry Gall; Ken Swensen; Sylvia; Bob; Sarah; Jim Gulickson; Keith Gesinger; Joanie Grugel; Abraham Quiring; Pat Peterson; Eleanor Carlson; Dawn Anderson; Suzanne Berg; Aika Takagi; Becky Henrickson; Gea Brown; Bruce VanBeusekom; Lee Miller; Tony Stocker; David Edstrom; Gene Henrickson; Dr. David Philips; Barbara Linert; peace in Ukraine; nation of Israel

Presence

Sunday, 31 December 2023 witness at Chapel worship = **95** Livestream = **38**

Gifts

Sunday, 31 December 2023 Chapel offering plate = **$3,038.00**

Service

Thanks to all our ushers who greet, seat, and welcome our worshipers.

For More Information:

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