

THE
MOODY
CHURCH

LOVED
BY JESUS
A STUDY THROUGH JOHN

October 18, 2020

WELCOME

Thanks so much for worshipping online with us today! We're a family committed to knowing, loving, and serving Jesus. If there is any way we can serve you, please let us know by emailing us at info@moodychurch.org. If you have questions about our current schedule, please check our [weekly calendar](#).

We consider it a privilege to pray for you. If you have a prayer request, please email prayer@moodychurch.org. If you would like to pray with a member of our Prayer Team after our morning or evening services, please call 312.319.1570.

Above all, let's continue to trust God and to share the good news of Jesus.



Philip Miller
Senior Pastor

PASTOR TO PEOPLE

I'm so encouraged this week. Joining on Wednesday with hundreds of you for our Day of Prayer and Fasting really touched my heart. There's something powerful about coming together as children of God crying out to our Father together. I noticed three things happening in my heart this past week.

I felt my heart bending into closer alignment with the heart of our Father. Prayer reminds us of what truly matters. For a moment, the noise fades away, the chaos declutters, and in the stillness our minds are fixed on things above. God is on his throne. His glory is being displayed. His good purposes are at work. Prayer is not us bending God's will to ours, but God bending our will to His. Prayer changes us, reminds us of what matters, presses us into the heart of God.

I sensed my heart uniting with God's family. Here we are, from so many different places, yet one with one another in Christ. Our backgrounds are stark in contrast, and yet our salvation draws us together. Some of us have been here for decades, while others of us have joined just recently. And when we pray we are one. One body. One faith. One Lord. One family.

My heart also experienced a longing to see God unleash his work in our city and all around the world. We know so much in this world is broken and hurting. We long to see God's will be done in Chicago as it is done in Heaven. And we yearn to see the nations rejoicing in the salvation of our God! And as that longing grew in my soul, it brought the question to mind, "Am I willing to do whatever God would ask of me?"

Prayer changes us. Thank you for praying with me. I'm so encouraged by this week. Glory be to our God!

You are loved, more than you know!

Pastor Philip

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday October 25 at 11:30am via Zoom

The Annual Meeting of the membership of The Moody Church will be held via Zoom after the morning service next Sunday, October 25. All members are requested to participate, and will be notified of the connection info via email. Non-members are welcome to watch the meeting on our YouTube channel. We'll look back at highlights from last year and cast a vision for the coming year.

The membership will vote on the slate of candidates presented by the Nominating Committee via a Survey Monkey ballot. If you do not have electronic access, please call the church to request that a paper ballot be mailed to you; a dial-in voting option will be available. Please submit any questions you'd like to have addressed in the meeting to elders@moodychurch.org.

Please note that our Online Connection Center and Q&A will be set aside so everyone can participate in the meeting.

Info: moodychurch.org/annual-meeting



GIVING UPDATE

Contribution Update

	<i>September</i>	<i>Fiscal Year</i>
<i>Income</i>	\$356,180	\$356,180
<i>Expense</i>	<u>447,622</u>	<u>447,622</u>
<i>Net</i>	-\$ 91,442	-\$ 91,442

The General Fund provides for our day-to-day operations, including our regular weekly ministries, support for active and retired missionaries, and support for our local and global outreach efforts. As a reminder, our fiscal year began September 1.

Fellowship Fund

This fund assists our church family with emergency housing, food, clothing, and medical needs. If you or someone you know are in need of assistance, please [contact Pastor McCarthy](#) at the church office. He will bring requests for assistance to the Fellowship Committee for consideration. You can also donate by simply designating "Fellowship Fund" on your offering.

Info: moodychurch.org/give

ORDER OF SERVICE

“He’s Never Failed Me Yet” Sanctuary Choir

Welcome Pastor Eric Targe

“Living Hope”

Celebration of Baptism

Desiree Bell

Mark Brow

Amaya Rodriguez

Allison Stout

Jiayi Yan

“And Can It Be”

And can it be that I should gain an interest in my Savior’s blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain! For me, who scorned His perfect love.

Amazing love! How can it be
That You, my God, would die for me?

You left Your Father’s throne above—so free, so infinite Your grace!
Emptied Yourself of all but love, and bled for Adam’s helpless race.

No condemnation now I dread. Jesus and all in Him is mine.
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine.

Boldly I come before Your throne to claim Your mercy immense and sweet.
No greater love could e’er be known for O, my God, it found out me!

Charles Wesley @ 1988 Benson Records, Inc. arr. Bob Kauflin, 2020 arr. Tim Stafford

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Larry McCarthy, Jr.

“God so Loved”

Scripture Reading from John 3:1–21

Message Pastor Philip Miller

Song of Response

Benediction Pastor Philip Miller

Live Prayer Team Please dial 312.319.1570 for prayer after the conclusion of the service.

Home Gatherings [Apply-the-Message Questions](#)

SERMON NOTES

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The Regenerator

[John 3:1-21](#)

Pastor Philip Miller

New Birth

Who needs it? (vs. 1–3)

- From the most religious and moral to the very least, we all must be “born again.”

What is it? (vs. 4–5)

- To be “born again” is to have a brand new, recreated spiritual life.

Who does it? (vs. 6–8)

- “New birth” is the work of the Spirit alone and it is totally beyond our control.

How does it come? (vs. 9–14)

- We are “born again” as we look in faith to Christ alone.

Why do we need it? (vs. 16–18)

- “New birth” in Jesus is the only antidote for the venom coursing through our veins.

What is in the way? (vs. 19–21)

- To be “born again” the only thing we need is nothing; but it’s the one thing most of us don’t have.

Takeaway: Look to Christ and Christ alone!

CANDIDATES FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The Nominating Committee respectfully submits to the Members of The Moody Church for their consideration its slate of candidates for 2020–2021, having investigated the candidates' character and fitness, and finding them of good character and members in good standing.

If you have knowledge to the contrary, please bring your information to the attention of a member of the Nominating Committee prior to the Annual Meeting. For assistance in contacting the Committee members, please call Lori Imhof at 312.327.8600 x1008.

ELDER (7-year term)

Hauser, Jonathan **

TRUSTEE (5-year term)

Sawyer, Tom *

TREASURER (1-year term)

Knapp, Jeff ** ^

ASSISTANT TREASURER (1-year term)

Kerr, Tim **

DIRECTOR OF USHERS (1-year term)

Gundu, Vijay Ranjan *

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF USHERS (1-year term)

Sinnema, Ethan **

CLERK (1-year term)

Valeff, Bill * ^

ASSISTANT CLERK (1-year term)

Carter, Les *

DEACON (3-year term)

Boersema, Tom *

Camarena, David **

Erickson, Seth **

Farish, Stephen **

Knapp, Jeff **

Lilly, Scott *

McCarthy, Larry, Sr. *

Pearson, Dave *

Peters, Archie *

Radcliff, Kyle *

DEACON (3-year term), continued

Reed, Steven **

Ridolphi, Mark *

Selfollari, Adi *

Shumate, Micah *

Silva, Pablo **

Tisler, Ovi *

Toland, Wendall *

Wade, Daryl, Sr., **

DEACONESS (3-year term)

Arman, Charlotte *

Knapp, Melody *

Kosloskus, Kara **

McCarthy, Lemita *

Pratt, Susan *

Rawden, Laura *

* Renewing Candidate

** New Candidate

^ Also being elected to 3-year term as Deacon

Respectfully Submitted:

The Nominating Committee

Chair—Elder Scott Pratt, Stephen Farish,

Connie Giere, Fitz Okoli, Nicola Privott,

Keith So, John Vitt

ISSUE

MISSIONS MOMENT



Przemek and Julie Hybel serve with International Messengers in Krakow, Poland. They work in many areas of local church ministry: evangelism, discipleship, youth ministry, translation, women's ministry, and biblical counseling.

As Poland went into lockdown in March due to COVID, the Hybels' ministry multiplied. Julie met via video with women of all ages, providing counseling, one-on-one Bible studies, group Bible studies, and encouragement calls. Przemek reached out to men, led weekly youth meetings, and translated online services. Both continued to teach English as an outreach tool through Zoom. They are continuing all of those activities both online and in person.

Right before the lockdown, Julie organized a women's retreat focused on the theme of overcoming fear, worry, and anxiety. She shared a story about how God helped equip the women to face the difficulties of COVID-19: "Just days before the retreat, I felt God strongly leading me to put a stronger and repetitive emphasis on His

immense love, comfort, and provision for us when facing the unknown. I had no idea that everybody's futures would suddenly become so unknown! Many ladies lost jobs and businesses, and many have had health issues. I've heard testimony after testimony of how God used that teaching to prepare them for these circumstances."

Pray for the Hybel family:

- For wisdom and God's leading in everything they do
- For health and protection over their family and marriage
- For healing, restoration, and breakthroughs in counseling
- For their daughter Roksana (14) to grow in faith and make good friends in her new high school

TODAY AT A GLANCE

8:00AM

[Next Chapter Community](#)

8:30AM

[Christian Fellowship Community](#)

[Fourth Watch Community](#)

[Impact Community](#)

[Light & Life Community](#)

[Women's Community](#)

10:00AM

[Sunday Morning Service](#)

[ASL Translation](#)

[Transmisión en Vivo en Español](#)

11:15AM

[Online Connection Center](#)

11:30AM

Q&A on [Live Stream](#) & [Facebook](#)

[Co-Laborers \(Adults with ID/DD\)](#)

11:30AM continued

[Apply the Message Community](#)

[In Focus Community](#)

[International Friends Community](#)

[Ministerio Hispano](#)

[Mosaic Community](#)

[YourMarriage YourFamily Community](#)

12:30PM

[Fusion Community](#)

2:30PM

[Veritas Community](#)

5:00PM

[Sunday Night Service](#)

6:00PM

[Crossroads \(College & Career\)](#)

TONIGHT

SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE | New series starts tonight at 5:00pm

Citizens of Heaven—*Unity over Division* (John 17:20–23; Galatians 3:27–28)

Pastor Michael Best

As the presidential election draws near, the divisive rhetoric is consuming our national attention. It's easy to belittle those who are on "the other side," and the consequences to our relationships and our witness can be devastating. Now more than ever we need to pause and look at what God's Word says about living first and foremost as citizens of the Kingdom.

Our four-week series, "Citizens of Heaven," will explore the intersection of Christianity and politics. Let's equip ourselves with the timeless biblical truths that will help us navigate these uncertain times and maintain a robust witness for the true and only King, Jesus.

Info: moodychurch.org/sunday-night-service



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY

[Women's Prayer Meeting](#), 7:00am

TUESDAY

[Women's Prayer Meeting](#), 7:00am

[Fusion Prayer Meeting](#), 7:30pm

[Mosaic Prayer Meeting](#), 8:30pm

WEDNESDAY

[Women's Prayer Meeting](#), 7:00am

[Prayer Meeting](#), 6:00pm

[Thrive \(Junior High\)](#), 6:30pm

[Revolution \(High School\)](#), 6:30pm

[International Friends Bible Study](#), 6:30pm

[Beth Sar Shalom Bible Study](#), 7:00pm

[Reunión de Oración](#): 7:00pm

THURSDAY

[Men's Thursday Mornings](#), 6:00am

[Women's Prayer Meeting](#), 7:00am

[Veritas Community](#), 6:30pm

[Crossroads \(College & Early Career\)](#), 7:00pm

[International Friends Bible Study](#), 7:00pm

FRIDAY

[Women's Prayer Meeting](#), 7:00am

[Estudio Biblico en Español](#): 7:30pm

SATURDAY

[Men's Praise & Prayer](#), 7:30am

New video and devotional content is posted daily on our social media channels.

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