



Service for the Lord's Day, March 5, 2017

Welcome!

*Druid Hills Presbyterian Church
calls everyone into Christian community to
explore God's purpose for our lives,
celebrate God's work in the world,
and serve the needs of our neighbors.*

We want to know you've worshipped with us! Please sign the blue Fellowship Pad, located in the rack at the end of each pew, and pass it down the row.

GOD GATHERS US AROUND THE WORD

† *You are invited to stand when you see this symbol.*

PRELUDE

Prelude & Fugue in E minor

J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Jesus says, "I am the Way for you."

All: And so, we come to follow Christ.

Jesus says, "I am the Truth for you."

And so, we come to dwell in the light.

Jesus says, "I am the Life for you."

**And so, we come,
leaving behind all else to which we cling.**

† **HYMN #165**

The Glory of These Forty Days

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CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

God of endless love, we are no strangers to practice. We practice math, and painting, and yoga. We practice driving, and sports, and music. But we often expect our discipleship to come easily, without failing and trying again. We expect our relationship with you to be effortless, to "just happen". Remind us that you do not require perfection in our faith walk, but that our Christian walk still requires constant attention, learning and relearning, risk and dedication. During these 40 days of Lent, reorient us to you. Reset our attention to the daily practice of discipleship that we might learn and grow and pray and serve afresh.

(time for silent reflection)

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

A Declaration of Faith

**In forming his people and sending them into the world
Jesus called individuals to be disciples.
They were to share the joy of his companionship,
to understand and obey his teachings,
and to follow him in life and death.**

**We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship.
Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ
is God's undeserved gift to each of us.
It is also God's demand upon every one of us,
never perfectly fulfilled by any of us.
Forgiven by God and supported by brothers and sisters,
we strive to become more faithful and effective
in our daily practice of the Christian life.**

† **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

(Please greet your neighbors with signs and words of peace and reconciliation.)

† **RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Precious Lord



Pre-cious Lord, take my hand; lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am



weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the



light; take my hand; pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

(WE'RE ALL GOD'S) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 4:1-13

p 61 NT

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Spiritual Exercise: Fasting”

Rev. Shelli Latham

† HYMN

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

Lonesome Valley

1. Je - sus walked this lone-some val - ley, He had to
2. We must walk this lone-some val - ley, We have to
3. You must go and stand your tri - al, You have to

walk it by Him - self; O, no-bod-y else could walk it
walk it by our - selves; O, no-bod-y else can walk it
stand it by your - self, O, no-bod-y else can stand it

for Him, He had to walk it by Him - self.
for us, We have to walk it by our - selves.
for you, You have to stand it by your - self.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me
Chancel Choir

arr. Lloyd Larson

I want Jesus to walk with me. | I want Jesus to walk with me.
All along my pilgrim journey, O Lord, | I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me. | In my trials, Lord, walk with me.
When my heart is almost breaking, O Lord, | I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me. | When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me.
When my head is bowed in sorrow, O Lord, | I want Jesus to walk with me.

† **DOXOLOGY #630**

Fairest Lord Jesus

Crusaders' Hymn

*Beautiful Savior, ruler of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be thine.*

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All communion bread is gluten free.

COMMUNION MUSIC #177

You Are Mine

You Are Mine

“I will come to you in the silence; I will lift you from your fear.
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be still and know I am here.

Do not be afraid, I am with you. I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home; I love you and you are mine.”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING GOD’S WORD INTO THE WORLD

† **HYMN #543**

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

Green Tyler

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Be Thou My Vision

Edward Broughton

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WORSHIP NOTES

The **Call to Worship** is adapted from liturgy from the Iona Community in Scotland.

PRAYERS

pray for our dhpc community

Lisa Carter; Kathleen Clayton; Nancy Edenfield; Jesse Hatton, Jr.; Miriam Herrera; Bobby Howlett; Ivey Lois Hubert; Elizabeth Mabry; Bo Mays; Charles Middleton; Carl Sweet; Yolanda Tamsen; J. Wade.

pray for our family and friends

Ann W. Antley, Robert Welborn’s sister; **Éamon Martin Beaudette and family**, infant son of Katie Vigilante’s friends; **Bonnie McMillan Brown**, Tommy Hannah’s close friend; **Ron DeWees**, May’s husband; **Christina Georgiadou**, friend of the Vigilante and Adams families; **Nick Miller**, Bill Smith’s great-nephew; **Dottie Nye**, Ivey Lois Hubert’s sister; **Birdell Odom-Hughes**, Cynthia Middleton’s mother; **Caroline Ohnsman**, Helen Woodside’s close friend; **Mary-Lib Pennock**, Cliff Frierson’s cousin; **Michele Rouse**, Cynthia Middleton’s sister; **Ruby Sermeño**, Miriam Herrera’s sister; **Meredith Shahpazian**, friend of Betty and Linda Davis; **Joan Davis Smith**, sister of Betty and Linda Davis; **Leonard Terry**, Adam Rall’s uncle; **Chelsea Walker**, Letia Henson’s daughter; **Mai-Lan Williams**, Jane Weir’s friend; **Mimi Williams**, Coby Armstrong’s mother; **Bryan Wilson**, Mary Jane Hannah’s brother.

pray for our world

Prepare us, Loving God, for this Lenten Season, a special time of preparation for the coming of Easter and the Resurrection. We plan to use these forty days to strengthen our spiritual fitness, a perfect way to spend this time. Lent is a time of quiet reflection with personal examination and a fresh way to look at service to others. We pray that you will be with us, encouraging us on the dusty path to Palm Sunday and Easter. When we remember how difficult this time must have been for Jesus and what his journey has meant for us, we will surely be able to focus on the spiritual journey ahead.

Gracious God, while the forty days of Lent can be a lonely time, spent with few human companions, we will spend much of this time in communion with others: eating in the neighborhood rather than in our fellowship hall, walking with others for those who are food insecure, preparing meals to be sent to our hungry neighbors far away, worshiping and sharing lunch with our brothers and sisters of Mercy Community Church. Be with us as we journey together.

While we pray for others as well as ourselves we ask that your ears will be open to our hearts and that you will accept the language of our prayers. We pray that our actions will show others our love for you and for our brothers and sisters so that they will see that we are members of your family. In Jesus' name we pray, **Amen.**

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, March 5

10:30AM - *Youth Depart for Hunger Walk*

11:00AM - *Worship Service*

12:00PM - *Christian Education, Finance & Mission Ministry Team Meetings*

1:45PM - *Hunger Walk Participants Meet at Turner Field*

Wednesday, March 8

6:15PM - *Handbell Rehearsal*

6:15PM - *Yoga Prayer*

7:30PM - *Choir Rehearsal*

Thursday, March 9

7:00PM - *Young Adult Bible Study*

Friday, March 10

6:30PM - *OIKOS College Ministry*

Sunday, March 12

9:30AM - *Bible Roundtable Adult Sunday School Class*

9:45AM - *Sunday School Classes*

10:15AM - *Choir Warm-up*

10:30AM - *OIKOS College Ministry*

11:00AM - *Worship Service*

12:00PM - *Second Sunday Lunch in the Neighborhood*

2016 ANNUAL REPORT AVAILABLE

If you were not in worship on February 26 and would like a copy of the 2016 Annual Report that was distributed, please ask any usher and they will gladly get one for you.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, March 9, 7PM; Karvana Coffee (707B East Lake Dr., Decatur)

The Young Adult group will gather to explore Biblical texts and their historical contexts, think in new ways, find new perspective, and ask new questions. We will continue our study on The Divided Kingdom of the Old Testament. Contact Rachel Mathews (rmathews@dhpc.org) with any questions.

INTOWN FOOD PANTRY

Urgent needs for the Pantry are listed outside the stairwell to Converse Hall. Please check the list.

Thank you for coffee, especially the instant kind. There is enough ground coffee for now, so please concentrate on instant which the Pantry makes into packets that allow guests to choose their own amount. Your sandwich bags make possible converting large bags of rice, dry beans, or dry cereal into 1 lb. packets. Thank you also for the many pre-packaged items and items in easy-open containers. Dry cereal is always good and mac & cheese continues to be popular. As always, meat and tuna are needed. Also, please don't take for granted the value of your used plastic grocery bags. A special notice came asking for bags as the Pantry had run out a few days before the next distribution! Thank you!

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Contact Barrett Payne, Youth Director, (bpayne@dhpc.org) for more information about youth events.

Saturday, March 18, 10AM: Volunteer at ICM Food Pantry

The youth will join our partners at ICM and participate at the food pantry. We are extremely excited about having the food pantry on campus and look forward to participating with ICM and other volunteers. Meet at McIver Hall at 10:00 AM. We will end at 1:30 PM.

GA TECH CHAMBER CHOIR TO PRESENT HANDEL'S ISRAEL IN EGYPT

Sunday, March 5, 3PM

Georgia Tech's Chamber Choir will present Handel's monumental oratorio, *Israel in Egypt*, this afternoon in the DHPC sanctuary. This work will feature multiple soloists and be accompanied by a professional orchestra. Admission is free for DHPC members and frequent attenders.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DHPC NATURE HIKES RESUME

Let's shake off winter together! The hiking adventures that Susan Rutherford headed up for us last year will resume soon. The first hike's date is TBD, but will likely be at Fernbank Forest. Join us to stretch your legs and expand your lungs with fresh air. Stay tuned for more information and more dates. You don't want to miss any of the fun! Contact Anne with any questions.

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