



Service for the Lord's Day, April 30, 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

Intrada Festiva

Dale Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We have come to worship God, the living God,

All: Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.

We have come to praise God, the almighty God,

Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.

We have come to worship God, all-gracious God,

Who chooses even you and me,

to receive and carry the Word of life and hope.

All glory to God!

† HYMN #321

The Church's One Foundation
(verses 1,2,5)

Aurelia

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Loving and gracious God, there is so much to do - in our daily lives, in the world, and in your church. Sometimes we feel paralyzed by the need; we feel ill equipped to serve; we feel frustrated by what is undone. Help us to remember that you call each of us into ministries that are unique to the gifts and abilities we have been given. Help us trust you have a place for us, to let go of any jealousy we have about others' gifts and any sense of inadequacy we have about our own. Inspire us to use our talents to further your church, as only we can, remembering that the community of faith can only be its best self when we all serve and love as our own best selves.

(time for silent reflection)

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.**

† **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

† **RESPONSE OF PRAISE #582**

Glory to God

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me



Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me, and to the
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men. World with - out



Son, whose grace has par - doned me, and to the Spir - it, whose love has
end, with - out end. A - men. World with - out end, with - out



set me free. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.
end. A - men.

ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 6:1-9

p 123 NT

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Small Actors"

Rev. Shelli Latham

† HYMN #733

We All Are One in Mission

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RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

O How Amiable
Chancel Choir

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:
My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house,
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house:
They will be always praising thee.

The glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us:
prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.
O prosper thou our handywork.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

† **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Lasst uns erfreuen

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

† **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 #240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Alleluia No. 1

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

† **HYMN #546** *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* Sicilian Mariners

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Resurrection Fanfare* Lani Smith

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PRAYERS

pray with condolences

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to DHPC members **Stan Thrift and Chris Conte** on the death of **Stan's step-father, James "Jim" Henry Schmitt**, April 20, 2017 in Sautee, GA. His memorial service was April 23, 2017 at the Chapel of Barrett Funeral Home in Cleveland, GA.

pray with celebration

We celebrate the baptism of **Sage Tracy Simpson**, daughter of Dave and Neely Simpson and sister of Sophia, Sunday, April 23, 2017.

pray for our dhpc community

Bob Beard; Lisa Carter; Kathleen Clayton; Donna Durden; Nancy Edenfield; Jesse Hatton, Jr.; Bobby Howlett; Ivey Lois Hubert; Elizabeth Mabry; Bo Mays; Charles Middleton; Carl Sweet; Yolanda Tamsen.

pray for our family and friends

Davis Acton, Elizabeth Soileau Acton's son; **Ann W. Antley**, Robert Welborn's sister; **Éamon Martin Beaudette and family**, infant son of Katie Vigilante's friends; **Charlise Black**, wife of former DHPC organist/choir director; **Bonnie McMillan Brown**, Tommy Hannah's close friend; **Christina Georgiadou**, friend of the Vigilante and Adams families; **Jessie Hudson Hubbell**, former member; **Frannie Kidd**, Anne Townsley's daughter; **Nick Miller**, Bill Smith's great-nephew; **Birdell Odom-Hughes**, Cynthia Middleton's mother; **Caroline Ohnsman**, Helen Woodside's friend; **Melanie, Jimmy, and Christian Rogers**, family of Helen Woodside's cousin; **Michele Rouse**, Cynthia Middleton's sister; **Ruby Sermeño**, Miriam Herrera's sister; **Meredith Shahpazian**, friend of Betty and Linda Davis; **Chelsea Walker**, Letia Henson's daughter; **Cindy Wheatley**, Jane Martin's friend; **Bryan Wilson**, Mary Jane Hannah's brother

pray for our world

Gracious Lord Jesus, we thank you for the sacrament of baptism. Through this sacrament we come together as the body of your Church and we recognize your claim on us as your children. Baptism seals us into your family and bonds us to one another. A person of any age may be baptized, but when a small child or infant receives this gift, we especially feel the love you shower on each of us. We pray that we will hold each other up, nurturing the newly baptized and always remembering the significance of your gift.

We pray for all infants and children that their lives will be filled with love and peace. Keep us mindful of the importance of the vows taken in our name at our own baptism and again, when we are mature enough to join your Church as young adults.

We ask your blessing for each member of your family, your Church, and we pray this day, in your Holy Name, dear Jesus. **Alleluia, Amen.**

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WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, April 30

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

12:15PM - *Youth and Adult Mission Trip Meeting*

Tuesday, May 2

6:130PM - *Personnel Team Meeting*

Wednesday, May 3

6:15PM - *Handbell Rehearsal*

6:15PM – *Yoga Prayer*

7:30PM - *Choir Rehearsal*

Friday, May 5

6:30PM - *OIKOS College Ministry*

Saturday, May 6

9:00AM - *Spring Clean-Up Day*

10:00AM - *Graduating Seniors Family Brunch*

Sunday, May 7

9:45AM - *Theology 101*

9:45AM – *Sunday School Classes*

10:15AM - *Choir Warm Up*

10:30AM - *OIKOS College Ministry*

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

12:00PM - *Sandwich Ministry*

12:15PM - *Christian Education, Worship, Finance, Congregational Life and Mission Team Meetings*

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

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

Today, Sunday, April 30: Lunch and Worship with Mercy Community Church

This morning the DHPC youth are preparing lunch for and worshipping with our friends at Mercy. Come on down to Mercy and join us as we gather for worship and table fellowship with our friends next door.

Saturday, May 13, 3PM: End of the Year Party (Save the Date!)

INTERGENERATIONAL N.C. MISSION TRIP INFORMATION MEETING

Today, Sunday, April 30, 12:15PM; Parlor

Last fall Hurricane Matthew hit the southeastern part of the U.S. bringing strong winds and rising waters that resulted in extensive flooding. The first week of June DHPC members and friends ages 14 and up, in partnership with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, will travel to Kinston, NC to help area families who were impacted by these floods. Trip participants will remove damaged walls, ceilings, and floors; prepare homes for reconstruction; and assist in other reconstruction projects. Please prayerfully consider joining this team. Pricing information TBA. Scholarship funds are available. All are welcome! Join Barrett Payne in the parlor for an informational meeting at after worship today. See you there!

INTOWN FOOD PANTRY

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

You brought grocery bags just when the Pantry had run out of them. Perfect timing! There is always a need for meat or other forms of protein. Tuna and Vienna sausage are popular with our guests. However, canned fruit and vegetables are also needed to assure a healthy diet. Now that it's getting warmer, water bottles are being requested. People still like their morning coffee, regardless of the weather. Please bring a jar of instant coffee so Pantry volunteers can make packets to give the guests. Thank you for your constant support!

SPRING CLEAN UP DAY

Saturday, May 6, 9AM-2PM

Our Spring Clean Up Day is just around the corner. There are campus-wide projects for volunteers to help with. In addition, each ministry team is encouraged to clean, organize, and declutter their individual spaces as well. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Danielle Wilson at dwilson@dhpc.org or 404-920-8987.

CELEBRATION OF GRADUATING SENIORS

Sunday, May 7, 11AM

Calling our graduating seniors! During worship on May 7 DHPC's high school seniors will be recognized as they prepare for one journey of their lives to end and look ahead for the next chapter in their lives. Following worship the festivities will continue with a lunch honoring the seniors and their families. We hope to celebrate all graduates-to-be. Please confirm that your student's name is on the DHPC list by contacting Barrett Payne (bpayne@dhpc.org) by April 23.

SPECIAL OFFERING: ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

You are invited to take part in the PCUSA denominational offering, One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). On Easter, this offering is received at sister Presbyterian churches across the globe and supports ministries of hunger, justice, and basic human need for our most vulnerable neighbors. You may support OGHS by writing a check and placing an envelope in the offering plate or using the online giving portal, with the memo "One Great Hour".

SNACK PACKS NEEDED FOR HOMELESS OUTREACH

The Intown Food Pantry is partnering with ICM's Outreach Team to hand out snack packs to the people they meet on the streets as a way to engage them. Snack packs are also used by the Intown Outreach staff in their work alongside Mercy Care Street Medicine. The packs contain shelf stable items: a protein source such as Vienna sausage, Jif-to-Go cups, and potted meat; 5 or 6 soft crackers (Ritz or Saltine); 2 jelly cups (peanut butter); mayo packet (tuna); a fruit cup or a small box of raisins; a soft granola bar or nutri-grain bar; a small fun dessert (NOT chocolate, it melts), small drink (5 or 6 oz. juice or water), appropriate plastic utensil wrapped in a napkin. The idea is to provide a lunch but with small portions. Donations of completed snack packs would be marvelous. Alternatively, you can provide some of the

ingredients and Pantry volunteers can create snack packs. Snack packs are not eligible for any USDA/Food Bank Food; thus, all components must come from donations. Thank you for your support!

DHPC SANDWICH MINISTRY

Sunday, May 7, 12PM and Sunday, May 21, 9:45AM

The DHPC Sandwich Ministry allows us to support Mercy Community Church, which is dedicated to making sure food is available every day for those who are hungry in our neighborhood. During the month of May, you have two opportunities to participate in our Sandwich Ministry: Sunday, May 7, following worship, in the back of the sanctuary, and Sunday, May 21, during the Sunday School Hour, in the parlor. This is a great opportunity to serve our community while enjoying fellowship with one another. • Would your DHPC group be interested in supporting the Sandwich Ministry on a third Sunday of the month? This could be a Sunday School class, musical group, ministry team, group of friends, etc. This is a great team building opportunity. Contact Callie Thweatt (Callie Thweatt) if you are interested in volunteering or learning more.

INTOWN COLLABORATIVE MINISTRIES ARTS AND EATS FUNDRAISER

Sunday, April 30, 4-7PM; Atlanta History Center

The 5th Annual Arts & Eats ICM fundraiser is today. This event fundraises for two great causes: Intown and the Snack-in-a-Backpack program, which work to end hunger and homelessness for children and families in our neighborhoods. Don't miss out on this exciting event. To buy tickets and find out more about this year's event visit <https://intowncm.org/artsandeats/>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Tuesday, May 9, 10:30AM/7:15PM

Presbyterian Women meets the second Tuesday of each month. All women of the church are invited to come to either the day or night circle for a time of prayer, Bible study, discussion, and fellowship. Please contact Helen Woodside with any questions.

SECOND SUNDAY LUNCH

Sunday, May 14, 12:30PM

Join church friends and family for fun and fellowship at May's Second Sunday Lunch! Lunch will be served in Converse Hall immediately following the worship service. The cost for lunch is \$8 per person for visitors and members with reservations or \$10 for members without reservations (\$5/children). Save the date to join us!

YOUTH SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES: NORTH CAROLINA MISSION TRIP AND MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE

DHPC is offering two great summer opportunities for youth: an intergenerational mission trip to NC and the annual trip to the Montreat Youth Conference. More information about the mission trip is available in the bulletin insert. • DHPC youth will head to Montreat, NC the week of July 23 for the best week of the year! Our youth, along with 1,000 of their closest friends, will participate in super fun recreation, insightful conversation in small groups, engaging worship,

and so much more! Join us! Contact Barrett Payne (bpayne@dhpc.org) for more information about all youth events.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME AT DHPC

Children of all ages are welcome in the sanctuary during worship. Being present in worship is how children learn to worship, so we welcome their wiggles and whispers. Children's worship bags are available at the entrances to the sanctuary. During the Sunday School hour, we offer a supervised nursery for all infants and toddlers. Older small children are welcome in the nursery, Room 115, during worship.



MAKE YOUR OFFERING DONATION FROM YOUR SMARTPHONE

Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's Quick Response code reader, and you'll be taken to DHPC's secure giving portal, where you can make a one-time or recurring gift using your credit or debit card or checking or savings account. Payments or gifts for special offerings should be labeled as such in the "Optional Memo" line.

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