



Druid Hills Presbyterian Church
Service for the Lord's Day, June 25, 2017

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.*

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GOD GATHERS US AROUND THE WORD

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

PRELUDE

Laudation

Gilbert M. Martin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader: Come, let us dwell in God's shelter.
 Let us dwell in God's work of art.
 Come, because the Earth is the Lord's,
 And God's Earth is our home.*

**All: We live in God's World; we are not alone.
 We share this life with the heavens and the earth,
 With the waters and the land,
 With trees and grasses,
 With fish, birds, and animals,
 With minerals and creatures of every form,
 And with all our brothers and sisters.
 God is good and everything God makes is good.
 God is love and everything God makes is love's fruit.
 Let us worship God!**

† **HYMN #370**

This Is My Father's World

Terra Beata

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is risen from the grave and has shattered the power of death, we are still held captive by fear and doubt. We hold on to suspicions and jealousies that set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We have neglected the poor and the hungry. In our pursuit of the "good life" we have gone along with injustice; we have ignored the cries of the oppressed. We pursue profits and pleasures that harm the land and pollute the waters. We have squandered the earth's gifts on technologies of destruction. Have mercy on us, O God. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we and all your creatures may know the joy of life abundant, given through Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

(time for silent reflection)

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A New Creed, The United Church of Canada

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

To God be the glory; great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory: great things he has done.

ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 148

Hallelujah!

Praise God from the heavens; praise God from the heights!

Praise God, all you angels;

Praise God, all you multitudes in heaven!

Praise God, sun and moon; praise God, all you shining stars!

Praise God, you highest heavens,

And you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Most High,

For God commanded and they were created.

God established them forever and ever;

God fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise God from the earth,

You sea monsters and all deeps,

Fire and hail, snow and frost,

Stormy wind fulfilling God's command!

Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

Sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,

Royalty and all rulers of the earth!

Young men and women alike, old and young together!

Let them praise the name of God,

For God's name alone is exalted;

God's glory is above earth and heaven.

God has raised up a horn for God's people,

Praise for all the faithful,

For the people of Israel who are close to God.

Hallelujah!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

Sabbath: Celebrating God's Creation

(As the bell rings, please return to your seat.)

† **HYMN #39**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Faithfulness

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

As the Deer / Fairest Lord Jesus
Nicole Escobar, soprano

arr. Mark Hayes

As the deer panteth for the water so my soul longeth after thee.
You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.

You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you.

You're my friend and you are my brother even though you are a King.
And I love you more than any other, so much more than anything.

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

† **DOXOLOGY #607**

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

† **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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

† **HYMN #15**

All Creatures of our God and King
(verses 1, 2, and 3)

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Toccata

Dennis Eliot

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PRAYERS

pray for our dhpc community

Lisa Carter; Jesse Hatton, Jr.; Bobby Howlett; Ivey Lois Hubert; Elizabeth Mabry; Bo Mays; Charles Middleton; Martha Moore; Carl Sweet; Yolanda Tamsen.

pray for our family and friends

Bonnie McMillan Brown, Tommy Hannah's close friend; **Ron DeWees**, May's husband; **Casey Ellyson and her father Scott**, friends of the Adams family; **Christina Georgiadou**, friend of the Vigilante and Adams families; **Mary Joyner**, Lisa Carter's mother; **Pellicane family**, Jane Weir's friends; **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

Loving and protecting Lord, please see us as we are, confused and frightened by the chaos surrounding us. We pray that in any moment of danger, we will each be able to stifle our personal fear in order to do what is needed for our brothers and sisters whose lives may be in jeopardy.

We pray, Mother God, for the congressman and others recently attacked by a man whose anger apparently spilled over into extreme violence. We pray for all who have been victims of violence in London. Please change the hearts of those who would do harm to others simply because they are of a different religion or ethnicity.

Please bless victims of fires, especially those who died in the high rise apartment building in London and the people whose lives were lost in Portugal, where the temperatures were so high that lightning strikes started an inferno in remote villages where there was no immediate help.

We ask you to be with people suffering in the face of injustice. We especially pray for those feeling ignored by justice systems, particularly in the cases of aggression against innocent people.

Be with us loving God in these times. **Amen.**

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, June 25

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

Sunday, July 2

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

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

SUMMER LITURGISTS NEEDED

During the summer, children, youth and adults are invited to take part in worship by serving as liturgists (which is a fancy word for “reader”). Volunteers are needed to serve as liturgists one Sunday between June 11th and July 30th. Pastor Shelli will make sure you have all the information you need to be ready to help the congregation praise God. If you're interested in signing up to serve, please contact Suzette Stewart and indicate which dates you are available. Thanks!

INTOWN CLOTHING CLOSET DONATIONS NEEDED

Open every Monday morning, the Intown Clothing Closet is a source of both professional and casual clothing and shoes for low income men and women in need. The current need is for the following men's items: shirts and t-shirts (S to XL), white and black socks, pants (30-38 or elastic waist), shorts (S to L), underwear and boxers (S to XL), shoes (all sizes, especially larger shoes), and belts (all sizes). All sizes of women's clothing and underwear are needed. All hygiene items, especially razors, are needed. Donations can be dropped off at the church Sundays or at the clothes closet Mondays from 10:30 to 12:30.

INTOWN FOOD PANTRY

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

The food you brought for the Pantry guests will be used and appreciated by them all week. Between the Concrete Jungle and Paideia's garden there was a right good produce section last Saturday, but those items don't keep long. What you bring maintains our guests throughout the week. There is a list of Pantry needs in the email edition of This Week @ DHPC. Check it out! From the hymn we sang Sunday morning, "We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly, we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God." Thank you for doing just that every week!

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHURCHWIDE RETREAT: November 3-5, 2017, Hinton Center, Haysville, NC

Make sure to save the date for the annual DHPC retreat. This year's retreat will be two nights and full of fun! Stay tuned for more details!

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. And parents of small children are invited to drop off their children in our nursery, Room 115, while they attend 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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