



***Service for the Lord's Day, July 2, 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**

*A Patriotic Quotation*

Robert L Hughes

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

inspired by Luke 15:1-10

*Leader: God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home.*

**All: God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us  
and waste the gifts we have been given.**

*God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day.*

**Let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever;  
let us worship God together.**

† **HYMN #340**

*This Is My Song*

Finlandia

## CALL TO RECONCILIATION

### UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Psalm 51

*Have mercy on me, O God,*

*according to your steadfast love;*

**according to your abundant mercy,  
blot out my transgressions.**

*Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin.*

*For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is ever before me.*

*Against you, you alone, have I sinned,  
and done what is evil in your sight,*

*so that you are justified in your sentence  
and blameless when you pass judgment.*

*Indeed, I was born guilty,*

**a sinner when my mother conceived me.**

*You desire truth in the inward being;*

**therefore, teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

*Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;*

**wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

*Let me hear joy and gladness;*

**let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

*Hide your face from my sins,*

**and blot out all my iniquities.**

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and put a new and right spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
and do not take your holy spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and sustain in me a willing spirit.*

(time for silent reflection)

## **POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

### **† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

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

**† RESPONSE OF PRAISE #634**    *To God Be the Glory*                      To God Be The Glory

**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**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

#### **SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Luke 15:1-10

p 78 NT

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

#### **EXPLORATION**

“Burning Questions of the Bible: Just How Big is God’s Grace?”  
Rev. Shelli Latham

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

**Accept our lives, O God, as well as our gifts.  
Let the spirit in which we give them be your Spirit.  
Let the use that is made of them be your use. Amen.**

### ANTHEM

*God Is My Shepherd*  
Kenneth Wideman, baritone

Antonín Dvořák

God is my shepherd, I want for nothing.

My rest is in the pleasant meadows.  
He leadeth me where quiet waters flow.  
My fainting soul doth He restore  
and guideth me in the ways of peace, to glorify His name.

And though in death's dark valley my steps must wander,  
my spirit shall not fear, for Thou art by me still.  
Thy rod and staff are with me,  
and they shall comfort me.

### † DOXOLOGY #607

Old Hundredth

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

### † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Study Catechism Confirmation Version*  
Questions 36-38

*What do you affirm when you say that "he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father"?*

**First, that Christ has gone to be with his loving Father so that he is now hidden except to the eyes of faith. Second, however, that he is not cut off from us but is present here and now by grace. He reigns with divine authority, protecting us, guiding us, and interceding for us until he returns in glory.**

*How do you understand the words that "he will come again to judge the living and the dead"?*

**Like everyone else, I too must stand in fear and trembling before the judgment seat of Christ. But the Judge is the one who submitted to judgment for my sake. Nothing will be able to separate me from the love of God in Christ Jesus my Lord.**

*Will all human beings be saved?*

**No one will be lost who can be saved. The limits to salvation, whatever they may be, are known only to God. Three truths above all are certain. God is a holy God who is not to be trifled with. No one will be saved except by grace alone. And no judge could possibly be more gracious than our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.**

## **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 #265**

*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

Duke Street

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*God Of Grace*

Paul Manz

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### WORSHIP NOTES

We welcome you to our **Burning Questions About the Bible** series, which will run through August 6. Each week, we will explore questions submitted by our members. The *(All God's) Children's Message* will take a hiatus during the series, but don't worry: it will return on Rally Day, August 13. For children, who are in the sanctuary during the summer, we welcome you to check out our special kids' matt at the back of the sanctuary. Here, you may color, read story books and play with a selection of faith-inspired toys.

Thank you to **today's liturgist, Gigi Muirheid**. Gigi is an ordained elder and serves on the Christian Education Ministry Team.

The hymn, ***Just as I Am, without One Plea***, was requested as a favorite of Nicole Escobar. Do you have a favorite hymn you'd like us to sing this summer? Send your request to our Music Director, Mike Fuchs, at [mfuchs@dhpc.org](mailto:mfuchs@dhpc.org).

### PRAYERS

**pray for our dhpc community**

**Lebby Neal, 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; **Robin Rochetto**, Elizabeth Adam's sister

**pray for our world**

Heavenly Father, we are thankful for the blessings you bestow on your family. Your gifts are bold and breathtaking, from an erupting volcano to a newborn baby; and yet, sometimes, somehow we fail to notice them because we are caught up in our own personal problems. We ask you to open our eyes and hearts to your goodness.

We pray for families in Pakistan who lost loved ones killed following an explosion of an oil tanker. The victims, many who were reported to live on less than \$3 a day, were killed while attempting to collect some of the valuable oil that leaked from the truck following a traffic accident. There are many with whom we share our planet who risk so much in efforts to support a family with virtually nothing. Help us find a way to bring financial equality to your world.

Lord, bless all of the heroes risking much, without thought of their safety, in order to rescue others, whether in burning buildings, rushing flood waters, or sinking ships. Let us never forget that we are responsible for our brothers and sisters and let us never take for granted those who make caring for others their life's work.

Finally, O God, we pray for those in the grips of addiction. The list of families with one or more members suffering from addiction continues to grow. Children are being orphaned and parents are being left childless. Dangerous drugs are everywhere and hurting people looking for solace turn to them. Help those who have hurting hearts. Help us get a grip on this deadly situation and let us be your hands and feet to care for the broken among us.

We pray all these things and so many more in Christ's holy name, **Amen.**

## **WEEKLY UPDATE**

### **Sunday, July 2**

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

### **Sunday, July 9**

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

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

12:15PM - *Worship Ministry Team Meeting*

### **WELCOME DHPC SEXTON, ANTHONY YOUNG**

The Personnel Ministry Team is thrilled to introduce the congregation to Anthony Young, DHPC's new full time sexton. Anthony works Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays (7am-5pm) and Sundays (8:30am-12:30pm). Anthony shares his home with wife Jennifer, and their six children. Welcome!

### **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.*

Coffee! Wow!!! We are not only caught up but are also a little ahead on the instant coffee supply! The Pantry will let us know when we need another APB alert. It was good to see the containers of meat, tuna, and beans, plus the mac & cheese. You also thought of our guests when at a fast food place. Someone proudly mentioned having made tomato soup out of ketchup packets and water. That's creative – wonder what could be added to his "soup" to make it nutritious. You've provided some tasty food that only needed hot water to make a meal. What a gift your donations are to the hungry of our city!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **JULY LAST FRIDAY YOUNG ADULT DINNER**

**July 28, 6:30 pm; The Albert (Inman Park)**

This month, let's check out Inman Park together and try The Albert, a comfort food restaurant with plenty of drink choices! Then we'll take a short drive to the Atlanta Ferris Wheel to see some excellent views of the city! Email Rachel Mathews ([rmathews@dhpc.org](mailto:rmathews@dhpc.org)) to let her know you are planning to be at dinner and the ferris wheel fun. Also, let Rachel know if you're interested in getting more connected with the young adult group! We'd love to have you!

**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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