



Service of the Lord's Day, November 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

Elegy

G. T. Thalben-Ball

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Leader: Come into God's presence,
All of God's children!*

**All: We have come for a blessing from the Lord our God.
We have come ready to praise your goodness.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts! Lift up your voices!

**All: Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.
O Lord, you are our Light and our Life.
You call to us and our spirits rise.
We wait for you with joy and hope.**

† **HYMN #401**

Here in This Place

Gather Us In

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Creator of All, Giver of Life:

How you have made us to shine in your image.

Merciful God, Savior of all:

How we have fallen short of your good intent.

You give and give without counting the cost,

We hold back, bound by fear.

You are generous in love and inclusion,

We criticize, judge, and put up barriers.

You pour out forgiveness and grace,

We write others off and move on.

Lord, our hope, our life, our salvation,

Renew us as we turn to you.

Make us over in your image by the power of your Spirit.

(time for silent reflection)

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures,
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
For his name's sake.
Even though I walk through the darkest valley
I fear no evil for you are with me;
Your rod and staff – they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me
In the presence of my enemies.
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
All the days of my life,
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
My whole life long.

† 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

1 Samuel 16:1-13

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This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Least Likely Person"

Rev. Joy Fisher

† HYMN #410

God Is Calling Through the Whisper

W Zlobie Lezy

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

A CALL STORY

Pete McGuire

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

"Pie Jesu" from *Requiem*

Gabriel Fauré

Pie Jesu, Domine,
dona eis requiem

Merciful Lord Jesus,
grant them rest.

† OFFERTORY HYMN #697

Take My Life

Hendon

**Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord to thee;
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

† 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

He Shall Feed His Flock
Michelle Jarrell, soprano

John Shepherd

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd:
He shall gather the lambs with His arm,
And carry them in His bosom,
and gently shall lead those that are with young.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

† **HYMN #720**

Jesus Calls Us

Galilee

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Psalm XIX

Benedetto Marcello

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WORSHIP NOTES

Rev. Joy Fisher is our Congregational Consultant from the Presbytery. She resources 38 congregations in greater Atlanta, helping with visioning, strategic planning, conflict work, pastoral transitions, leader development, and more. She's been on the staff of the presbytery since 2011, after serving as pastor at the Midway and Hapeville Presbyterian Churches and as Executive Director of Camp Wesley in Fairburn, GA. Joy and her husband live in Tucker with their son who is a senior in high school, and have a daughter and son-in-law in town who are expecting a baby in March!

Fall Worship Series: God crafts each of us with great purpose and for a purpose as well. Our lives are an ongoing search to discern that purpose, or calling. At one point in our lives, we might be called to listening and learning. At another, we may be called to share or speak or spend in ways that show God's goodness and glory in the world. Our five-week worship series, ***A Generous Calling***, will explore call narratives in the Old Testament, wrapping up with Stewardship Dedication on November 19. May this time of exploring calls of old be an opportunity for us to search our hearts for what God may be calling us to do and be as a church and as individuals, right this moment.

PRAYERS

pray for our dhpc community

Martha Lindsey, Dr. Stan Foster, Bobby Howlett, Ivey Lois Hubert, Elizabeth Mabry, Charles Middleton, Carl Sweet, Jess Hatton, Bo Mays

pray for our family and friends

Ashlee Hall, friend of Danielle Wilson; **Michele O Rouse**, Cynthia Middleton's sister; **Christina Georgiadou**, friend of the Vigilante and Adams families; **Pellicane family**, Jane Weir's friends; **Meredith Shahpazian**, friend of Betty and Linda Davis; **Martha Wily**, friend of Linda and Betty Davis; **Jenna Van Gelderen**, friend of Jane Weir's family; **Matthew Sweet**, grandson of Carl Sweet; **Randy Huff**, Lauren Huff's uncle; **Memmy Huff**, Lauren Huff's grandmother, **Steve Campbell**, friend of Karin Dusenbury

pray for our world

For all the saints, we thank you, Gracious God. For those who have gone before us from the beginning of our time on Earth, we thank you. For those living among us today, we thank you.

We pray, Lord, that each of us will be counted among the saints who are serving you. There is so much to do: caring for the least of us; spreading your love in the world; nurturing your children; cultivating the beauty of your creation. Give us hearts that are generous in every way possible. Do not let us back away from those in need nearby or those in need many miles away.

We pray in your Holy Name, for the Saints and for Peace on Earth. **Alleluia. Amen.**

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, November 5

All Day – *Church Retreat*

10:30AM – *OIKOS*

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

Wednesday, November 8

6:15PM – *Handbell Rehearsal*

6:15PM – *Yoga Prayer*

7:30PM – *Choir Rehearsal*

Thursday, November 9

7:00PM – *Online Call Story Class*

Friday, November 10

6:00PM – *OIKOS*

Sunday, November 12

9:45AM – *Theology 101 and Sunday School
Classes*

10:15AM – *Choir Warm Up*

10:30AM – *Children's Choir Practice*

10:30AM – *OIKOS*

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

12:15AM – *Lunch and Ministry Exploration*

THEOLOGY 101

Sunday, November 12, 9:45AM

Theology 101 is an occasional adult education class about what Presbyterians profess to believe. The class breaks down theological concepts into bite-size chunks so that we can hear more about the specifics of our faith. November's topic is Christian vocation. Pastor Shelli will be teaching this class. Join us for what is sure to be an interesting conversation about God's call in our individual lives!

YOUTH GROUP MINISTRY EXPLORATION SUNDAY

Sunday, November 12, 12:30PM

All youth are encouraged to participate in November's Second Sunday Lunch and Ministry Exploration event. Want to have more of a voice about what Sunday school looks like? Visit the Christian Education meeting. Really love painting? Head to Property and Administration. Love throwing a party? Congregational Life wants you! Not sure where you best fit, talk to Elizabeth and y'all can explore this question together!

SECOND SUNDAY LUNCH AND MINISTRY EXPLORATION

Sunday, November 12, 12:30PM

Mark your calendars for a special Second Sunday Lunch. As part of our series, Call to Generosity, all members and friends of DHPC are invited to explore how God might be calling them to share their time, passions, and talents. We'll enjoy some fellowship together, grab boxed lunches from Which Wich, and then head out to explore our different Ministry Teams (aka committees). You may bop between multiple meetings for an overview; attend a team you're particularly interested in; or hang out in the parlor for a community-building event around how your talents might serve God in lots of different ways. If you currently serve on a Ministry Team, consider paying a visit to another team to

learn more about our shared service to God. Because lunch is being brought in, you must register to be assured a meal. RSVP today! Lunch is \$8. Childcare is available. Join us!

DHPC & PRESBYTERIANS FOR BETTER GA FALL FORUM: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Presbyterians for a Better Georgia and DHPC are hosting a legislative forum on November 13th, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. and we need your help. Check out the list below and see what you can do!

- Bake a cake, brownies, or cookies to serve our guests (These can be brought to church on 11/12.)
- Participate as a dessert server
- Greet guests and help them find their way around DHPC
- Clean up crew (this also means you get first dibs on leftover desserts!)

Please plan to attend the forum. We would like our congregation to be well represented *and* become familiar with issues our Legislature will be working on in the upcoming session. Contact Anne Townsley for more information or to offer your help. Many thanks for all you do for DHPC!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING DREAMERS

Thanks to all of you who participated in our recent letter writing campaign to our senators and representatives in Washington, D.C. A total of 94 letters of support for DACA recipients and in favor of a clean DREAM Act were sent by our congregation. Keep up the good work!

INTOWN FOOD PANTRY

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

Thank you for all the good food you brought for the Pantry guests. In this cold weather they'll have a choice of three kinds of soup, plus chili and coffee, tea, and hot chocolate to drink thanks to you. St. John's Lutheran has a freeze shelter, but the temperature has to get down to 28 degrees before it opens for guests. In the meantime, it's cold outside at night! Thank you for those warming foods and drinks. Thanks also for the chicken, tuna, instant oatmeal, easy open fruit, and all sorts of snacks. All that's missing in their diet is vegetables, so grab a few cans if you see them BOGO! Thank you for caring about our hungry neighbors!

ICM CLOTHES CLOSET IN SERIOUS NEED OF DONATIONS

The Intown Collaborative Ministry's Clothes Closet's supply is in dire shape, particularly their men's clothing offerings. A complete list of needs can be found on the bulletin board across from the Parlor and in the weekly newsletter. However, clothing items of all sizes are needed for men and clothing items for all but size small for women. Shoes and hygiene items are also needed. Drop off donations can be made on Mondays from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm at the clothes closet or by appointment with Allen Jones (allen.jones@dhbc.org 404-216-6206). Thank you in advance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

UPCOMING ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

- Thursdays, October 12, 7:00PM - November 16 - *God Calls* (Online Bible Study)
- Sunday, November 12 - *Theology 101: Christian Vocation*
- Sunday, December 10 - *Mysticism*

PRESBYTERIANS FOR A BETTER GEORGIA FALL ISSUES FORUM

Monday, November, 13, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Join Presbyterians for a Better Georgia for their fall Issue Forum, featuring a terrific panel of legislators to preview the hot issues for the upcoming legislative session: health care, mental health, housing, homelessness, and gun violence. What happens under the Gold Dome at the Georgia State Capitol has a huge impact on our communities. State level issues have a larger impact on citizens than federal laws but receive far less attention. This forum is designed to help you be well-informed citizens and powerful advocates. The forum will be located in the parlor, and will feature a fantastic, bi-partisan panel of state legislators from around Georgia , including Rep. Park Cannon, Rep. Beth Beskin, Sen. Steve Henson, and more to be announced! Our own David Vigilante will moderate this event. Make plans to join Presbyterians from around the city for this event!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Tuesday, November 14, 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.

MOANA SING-A-LONG INTERGENERATIONAL MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, November 18, 6:00-8:30, Converse Hall

During the stewardship campaign DHPC is exploring biblical and personal call stories. This is a chance to wonder about the many unique ways we are each gifted and called to be part of the work of God. As part of this time of exploration, the Young Adults and Congregational Life Ministry Team are hosting a *Moana* movie night extravaganza! Join us for food, activities, singing, and fun as we gather to watch this story of a girl discovering her call. We hope to see you there! Any questions or interest in volunteering? Email Rachel Mathews (rmathews@dhpc.org).

YOUTH GROUP AT ROCK SPRING PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, November 19, 4PM

We're traveling to Rock Spring Presbyterian again! Grab a friend and meet in DHPC's back parking lot. We'll spend time thinking about what it means to be thankful and also make some plans for our Christmas activities. Come! It's not the same without you!

SAVE THE DATE:

RETURN TO WONDER ALL-AGES ADVENT EVENT AND POTLUCK SUPPER

Sunday, December 3, 5-7pm

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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. (*Please return used bags to the basket near where bags were picked up.*) During the Sunday School hour, a class featuring Bible stories, music, and art is available for all infants and toddlers. Additionally, parents of small children are invited to drop off their children in our nursery, Room 115, while they attend worship. We also hope children will take advantage of the PrayGround, which is in the back of the sanctuary and offers room to move, color, and participate in worship in a kid friendly spot.

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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