



Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 29, 2018

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

Festal Flourish

Gordon Jacob

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

inspired by Micah 6:8; Deuteronomy 6:5; Matthew 22:37-39

Leader: What does the Lord require of you?

All: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.

What does God command of us?

**To love God with all our heart, and all our soul,
and all our mind, and all our strength,
and to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

God does not call us to ease or to comfort.

But to presence, and abundance, and grace in our struggle.

Let us worship the God who believes in us, and trusts in us, and abides with us.

**Let us worship the God who will ask much of us,
but will be beside us every step of the way.**

† **HYMN #396**

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship
(verses 1, 2 and 4)

Holy Manna

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Jesus told us to love God with all our heart,

**but often our jobs, our homes, and our own possessions
earn top billing in our hearts before God.**

Jesus told us to love God with all our soul.

**Yet, so often, we put more soul into our music, our sports, and our hobbies
than into expressing our love of God.**

Jesus told us to love God with all our mind,

**But we seldom study the Bible as much
as we study our school books, check books, even gossip magazines.**

Jesus also told us to love our neighbors as we love ourselves,

**but we spend hours meeting our wants and needs
and minutes finding excuses for not taking care of others.**

Forgive us, Lord.

**Help us to remember and obey your commands,
because we trust you gave them for our best interest
and the interest of your world.**

Teach us to love like Jesus. (time for silent reflection)

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Belonging to God: A First Catechism, Question 18
Heidelberg Catechism, Questions 114 & 115*

What are the Ten Commandments?

The Ten Commandments are the law of God. When God gave them to Moses, God said, I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery:

Font Side: You shall have no other gods before me.

Candle Side: You shall not make for yourself an idol.

Font Side: You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.

Candle Side: Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Font Side: Honor your father and your mother.

Candle Side: You shall not murder.

Font Side: You shall not commit adultery.

Candle Side: You shall not steal.

Font Side: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Candle Side: You shall not covet what is your neighbor's.

But can those who are converted to God keep these commandments perfectly?

No, for even the holiest of them make only a small beginning in obedience in this life. Nevertheless, they begin with serious purpose to conform not only to some, but to all the commandments of God.

Why, then, does God have the ten commandments preached so strictly since no one can keep them in this life?

First, that all our life long we may become increasingly aware of our sinfulness, and therefore more eagerly seek forgiveness of sins and righteousness in Christ. Second, that we may constantly and diligently pray to God for the grace of the Holy Spirit, so that more and more we may be renewed in the image of God, until we attain the goal of full perfection after this life.

† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

† **RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

Love the Lord Your God

Great Commandment

ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 20:12-16

p 66 OT

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Won't You Be My Neighbor?”

Rev. Shelli Latham

† **HYMN #753**

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

Esto Les Digo
Chancel Choir

Kinley Lange

“Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.” - Matthew 18:19-20

† **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

Live in Charity

Come to the Table of Love

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

† **HYMN #203**

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Chereponi

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Christ for the World We Sing

Lani Smith

WORSHIP NOTES

Ten Commandments Worship Series - For four weeks, we will explore the Ten Commandments. While they also appear in Deuteronomy, we will use the version from Exodus 20. April 15 - Introduction - *Why did God offer these commandments?*, April 22 - The First Table - *Tuned into God*, April 29 - The Second Table - *Turned Toward Neighbor*, May 6 - The Desires of the Heart - *Do Not Covet*.

Today's bulletin cover depicts Officer Clemmons and Mister Rogers, reprising their 1969 foot bath, more than two decades later, during their final scene together in 1993. © The Fred Rogers Company.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and His blessing of the marriage of Mary Palmer and Bob McFarland on April 27, 1927.

PRAYERS

pray for our dhpc community

Ivey Lois Hubert, Elizabeth Mabry, Charles Middleton, Jess Hatton, Wilma Ralls, Lisa Carter, Jessi Hudson Hubbell, J Wade, Carl Sweet

pray for our family and friends

Bryan Fulghum, Bob Beard's nephew; **Chelsea Walker**, Letia Henson's daughter; **Christopher Pope**, recent visitor; **Mimi Williams**, Coby Armstrong's mother; **Tony Davis**, friends of Tommy and Mary Jane Hannah; **Linda Robinson**, Bill Smith's sister; **Marilyn & Charles Pruitt**, friends of the Middletons; **Helen O Green**, Cynthia Middleton's sister; **Pam Sims**, Renee Weese's sister; **Tom Hodges**, Bill Jackson's cousin; **Joseph Vigilante**, David Vigilante's father; **Will Ellis**, son of Hannah family friend Joe James; **Nancy Hahn Bono**, Susan Hagood's sister; **Duke Daschbach**, grandchild of Anne Townsley's friends; **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; **Jenna Van Gelderen**, friend of Jane Weir's family; **Michael Sweet**, Carl Sweet's son

pray for our world

The United Kingdom, South Korea, Germany, Somalia, France, India, Spain, Mexico. These are just a sample of the countries from which immigrants come to our shores, for myriad reasons. In the last week we have celebrated the special Earth on which we all live. Biodiversity is a major reason for this celebration. Immigrants contribute much to the biodiversity of our world and for this, we thank you, Loving God. We pray that we all are following your commandment and the example set by your Son, Jesus, who loved all unconditionally, showing us how to treat neighbors and strangers. Lord, let us be accepting of all of your children.

Geography separates us, but is not the only factor that can separate humans from one another. The news tells us that loneliness is becoming a serious problem with many people relying on digital devices rather than meeting with one another face to face for conversation. We pray that you will help us step out of our comfort zones and walk into the world with others, contributing to the happiness and well-being of everyone.

For the beauty of all of your children and the Earth we pray. Alleluia. Amen.

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, April 29

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

Tuesday, May 1

12:00PM – *Property & Administration Team Meeting*

Wednesday, May 2

6:15PM – *Handbell Rehearsal*

6:15PM – *Yoga Prayer*

7:30PM – *Choir Rehearsal*

Friday, May 4

6:00PM – *OIKOS*

Saturday, May 5

11:00AM – *Young Adult & Family Picnic @ Piedmont Park*

4:00PM – *Youth Kayaking & Cookout*

Sunday, May 6

9:45AM – *Theology 101 Adult Sunday School Class*

9:45AM – *Sunday School Classes for Children and Youth*

10:15AM – *Choir Warm-Up*

10:30AM – *OIKOS*

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

12:15PM – *Christian Education, Congregational Life, and Mission Team Meetings*

DHPC SHIRTS FOR SALE

Sunday, April 29

Sport your love for this church community with a DHPC polo shirt! Handpicked pima cotton shirts in blue or green are available in men's and women's sizes for \$25. Plan to place your order beginning April 29th. For more information contact, Robert Welborn.

YOUNG ADULT AND FAMILY PICNIC

Saturday, May 5, 11AM, Mayor's Grove Playground- Piedmont Park

Our young adult group has grown and is growing! As we grow in numbers, we grow in our relationships with one another too, encouraging and supporting each other through our shared phase of life. Next Saturday DHPC's young adults will gather in a beautiful space in our city for a picnic lunch and to enjoy one another and the spring weather. Lunch will be provided for the picnic! Email Rachel Mathews (rmathews@dhpc.org) with any questions or to RSVP.

YOUTH GROUP: KAYAKING THE CHATTAHOOCHEE

Saturday, May 5, 2:45PM

All 6th through 12th graders and their friends are encouraged to join the DHPC youth group for an afternoon of fun and fellowship on the Chattahoochee. Youth will gather at DHPC at 2:45pm to travel to the Paddle Shack at Morgan Falls and spend a couple hours on the water. Following this the group will have supper at the Stewarts' house and return to DHPC between 8:30 and 9pm. The cost for this activity is \$30. For questions, scholarship information, or to sign-up, contact Pastor Elizabeth (eacton@dhpc.org).

THEOLOGY 101 WITH DR. WILLIAM BROWN

Sunday, May 6, 9:45AM, Parlor

Dr. Bill Brown, Columbia Theological Seminary Professor of Old Testament, will lead May's Theology 101 class. Dr. Brown has abiding interests in the use of scripture in the life of the church and the world, particularly in the context of ecology and justice. He will speak about creation theology and dialogue between faith and science.

INTOWN COLLABORATIVE MINISTRIES' 6TH ANNUAL ARTS & EATS FUNDRAISER

Sunday, May 6, 4-7PM

ICM'S annual fundraiser to benefit homeless and hungry families and children in the 30306 and 30307 ZIP codes is coming up soon! The event features a live and silent auction, buffet dinner, open bar, door prizes, live music, and games and entertainment. This year's event will take place at Monday Night Garage. For more information or to buy tickets, <https://intowncm.org/artsandeats>.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SEEKS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

Deadline: Tuesday, May 15

The DHPC Presbyterian Women are excited to once again offer DHPC students who will be enrolled in college, university, trade, or technical schools in the fall 2018 the opportunity to apply for the Bowker Lindsay PW scholarship. Interested students may learn more about the scholarship or receive an application by contacting PW Vice Chair Letia Henson.

ADULT INTERNATIONAL MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY

Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church, located about 30 minutes away in Duluth, GA, is excited to invite members and friends of Druid Hills to join in an international mission trip to Honduras. The trip, which is a partnership with Honduras Outreach Inc., runs from Saturday, October 20, to Saturday October 27. Rev. Andy Acton, Pleasant Hill's Associate for Mission and High School Youth and Elizabeth Acton's husband, will be leading the group and is eager to share details with any interested DHPCers. For more information, please speak with or e-mail Pastor Elizabeth (eacton@dhpc.org) by April 29.

INTOWN FOOD PANTRY

A complete list of Pantry needs is on the bulletin board outside the Tower Room and in the newsletter.

Thank you, one and all, for those jars of instant coffee! Two weeks in a row you have given 50 people coffee packets. They can now make several cups of coffee whenever they want it. What a luxury! Also on last Week's Needs list were canned vegetables, fruit cups, peanut butter, soup, Vienna sausage, and canned beans – all of which you brought! After serving 89 Pantry guests plus 10 home Delivery guests, this week's needs are essentially the same. Thank you for continuing to help meet the needs of our food-insecure neighbors. Your contributions are appreciated!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPECIAL OFFERING: THANK YOU

At the beginning of April, DHPC received the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering. Through your generosity DHPC was able to contribute \$838 to this denominational offering, which enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, providing food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed. Well done, DHPC!

UPCOMING EVENTS

BARBEQUE ON THE LAWN

Sunday, May 20, 12:15PM

Save the date for a barbeque lunch following the Pentecost worship service. Barbecue will be catered with potluck sides and dessert. Stay tuned for more information.

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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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