



Trinity Sunday, May 27, 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

All Creatures of our God and King

David Lowe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

inspired by Psalm 8

*Leader: Gathered in the name of Jesus Christ,
inspired by the Holy Spirit,
and blessed by God,*

All: we come to worship one, holy God.

*O God, our own God,
how wonderful is your name in all the earth.*

**Your majesty is the music of the starry skies,
yet even children of dust can sing your praises.**

*In the name of the Healer, the Provider and the Equipper,
let your gratitude and joy be made known.*

**O God, our own God,
how wonderful is your name in all the earth!**

† **HYMN #366**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hyfrydol

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

**O God, even as we celebrate your unity,
we know that sometimes we forget the beauty of your three persons.**

*We hold to your transcendent life as Creator
and keep at a distance the challenges of Christ.*

**We bow before your glory
and keep your humanness away from the reality of our own lives.**

(silent reflection)

Forgive us, Jesus Christ.

**Guide and guard us, Holy Spirit,
and go on creating within us, Creator God.**

*If we are tempted to think that we know
all that there is to know,
closing ourselves off from ideas which others offer
and neglecting to search for even deeper truths:*

**Forgive us, Jesus Christ.
Guide and guard us, Holy Spirit,
and go on creating within us, Creator God.
This we pray in faith. Amen.**

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Study Catechism: Confirmation Version*
Questions 58, 59

Why are you baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit?
Because of the command Jesus gave his disciples. After he was raised from the dead, he appeared to them and said, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit".

What is the meaning of this name?

It is the name of the Holy Trinity. The Father is God, the Son is God, and the Holy Spirit is God. And yet they are not three gods, but one God in three persons. We worship God in this mystery.

† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

† RESPONSE OF PRAISE #582

Glory to God

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

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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

7
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

Philippians 1:1-18a

p 196 NT

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

SERMON

“Keep Up the Good Work”

Rev. Shelli Latham

† **HYMN #36**

For the Fruit of All Creation

Ar Hyd Y Nos

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

Bist du bei mir
Michael Fuchs, baritone

Gottfried Heinrich Stölzel

*You are with me, my joy forever.
Until my death and unto my rest.
Oh how content are all my earthly days,
And at the end will your warm and loving hand
reach to gently close my eyes.*

† **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

Panis Angelicus
Michael Fuchs, baritone

César Frank

*The bread of angels becomes bread for mankind;
The bread of heaven gives an end to earthly forms.
O marvellous and wondrous sacrament:
The body of the Lord will nourish the poor, the slave, and the humble.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

† HYMN #716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

Beach Spring

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

David Lowe

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WORSHIP NOTES

Today we begin a four week **sermon series on Philippians**. In addition, it is also **Trinity Sunday**. Note that in the Prayer of Brokenness we hear the names God, Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit. But the Call to Worship reminds us that there are many names for the first, second, and third persons of the trinity, such as Healer, Provider, and Equipper; or Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer. Today we are reminded that Christians worship a unique God, who is one in three persons.

The American flag is displayed in the sanctuary this **Memorial Day weekend** in honor of and prayer for the men and women who gave their lives in service to our country.

PRAYERS

pray for our dhpc community

Bryan Gartman, Bobby Howlett, Bo Mays, Carl Sweet, Ivey Lois Hubert, Elizabeth Mabry, Charles Middleton, Jess Hatton, Lisa Carter, J Wade

pray for our family and friends

Meg and Wilt Straley, friends of Linda Davis; **Michael Sweet**, son of Carl Sweet; **Lyndia Dale**, friend of Jane Boyd Lee; **Bryan Fulghum**, Bob Beard's nephew; **Chelsea Walker**, Letia Henson's daughter; **Tony Davis**, friend of Tommy and Mary Jane Hannah; **Charles Pruitt**, friend of the Middletons; **Helen O. Green**, Cynthia Middleton's sister; **Michele O Rouse**, Cynthia Middleton's sister; **Pam Sims**, Renee Weese's sister; **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; **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

pray for our world

Freedom ... one of the most precious words in our vocabulary. For this freedom, we thank you, generous God, and our Founding Fathers. We thank you for these men, who, knew the importance of this word, possibly from their days in church, being taught about the free will you so graciously gave us in the beginning. So many of your family around the world have no freedom, cannot vote in a free and fair election, cannot speak their mind and heart without fear of retribution, are not allowed to live and love as they choose. For these brothers and sisters we fervently pray for changes that will give them real freedom.

One more school shooting ... please guide us to a place of peace where our children will no longer be afraid to go to school, for fear of being shot. For the children who have been killed by someone with a powerful handgun or rifle, and for those left behind to mourn and work to figure out a new way to live in the world without their loved one, we pray.

So far this year, we have seen ravages of climate change in the form of strong storms, repeated episodes of wildfires and flooding, too much snow to plow and probably quickly rising insurance costs. Now, the state of Hawaii is facing devastation from the volcano Kilauea. For all of those with much to endure from these disasters, we pray.

For all of your children, we pray in the name of the Holy Spirit. Amen

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, May 27

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

Monday, May 28

Office Closed – *Memorial Day*

Wednesday, May 30

6:15PM – *Yoga Prayer*

Thursday, May 31

7:00PM – *Online Bible Study*

7:30PM – *Choir Rehearsal*

Sunday, June 3

9:30AM – *Bible Roundtable*

10:15AM – *Choir Warm-Up*

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

12:00PM – *Farewell Reception for Mike Fuchs*

12:15PM – *Christian Education Meeting*

12:15PM – *Mission Team Meeting*

SPECIAL MUSIC WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, June 3, 11AM

The Druid Hills Presbyterian Chancel Choir will present Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's *Missa Brevis in B b*, KV 275. Using liturgical texts, Mozart creates an exuberant joyfulness while simultaneously expressing the mystery and solemnity of the Christian faith. The piece will feature guest instrumentalists and soloists from the choir. Please join us as we celebrate the end of another choir year with this beautiful and uplifting music.

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR DR. MIKE FUCHS

Sunday, June 3, Following Worship

The Worship Ministry Team invites all members and friends of DHPC to gather in the rear of the sanctuary for a reception bidding farewell and congratulations to our Director of Music Ministries, Dr. Mike Fuchs, and his family as they prepare to embark on a new adventure. Though we are sad to lose Mike, we are excited for his new opportunity to serve as the Director of Choral Activities at the University of Wisconsin, Superior starting with the new school year. All are welcome!

SUMMER WORSHIP TIME CHANGE TO 10 AM - BEGINS JUNE 10

Sundays, June 10 - August 12, 10AM

This summer, worship moves to 10AM. For ten weeks, we will scale back our Sunday programming and settle into a new Sabbath rhythm. This allows our dedicated volunteers to catch their breath. There will be no education hour during these weeks. But don't worry; we'll have time for fellowship, a book study, and rich and creative worship opportunities. Join us at 9:30 AM for coffee and fellowship.

MINISTRY ARCHITECTS INFO SESSION

Sunday, June 10, 11 AM, Sanctuary

The Session is excited to announce that following our March consultation with Ministry Architects, the leaders of the church have decided to partner with them on what will be a 2-3 year time of action, discernment, and strategic planning. Many were able to attend the briefing by our Congregational Consultant, Melissa Rau, in March, but the Session hopes to expand that number and clarify the upcoming journey by a follow-up visit. Please stick around following worship, to hear the report and next steps, as well as to hear from Session members why they are enthusiastic about this upcoming time of discernment.

SEEKING LEADERS FOR CHURCH TRANSFORMATION TEAMS

DHPC's Session is excited to partner with Ministry Architects as we spend the next 24-36 months discerning our vision, strengthening our infrastructure, and developing leadership to build the church God is dreaming for us. All members and friends of DHPC have a part to play in listening to the Spirit and sharing our hopes, but three particular teams will play an important part in shaping our transformation. We are seeking recommendations and self-referrals for leadership on the following teams. Please send names to nominating@dhpc.org or give them to Pastor Shelli or Robert Welborn of the Nominating committee.

- Prayer Team will pray regularly for the work of the church and for the Spirit's guidance.
- Strategic Planning Team will work with Ministry Architects and as a guide to the congregation and session to drive the strategic plan.
- Equipping Team will help to develop an infrastructure to support and equip volunteers through development of job descriptions, recruiting practices, training, etc.

TAKE-OUT CHURCH SUMMER WORSHIP AND EDUCATION BOXES

Our Christian Education team has prepared a great opportunity for DHPC members and friends to stay connected with the church and engaged in worship over the summer: Take-Out Church boxes. These boxes, which are available in the rear of the sanctuary, provide activities, from coloring pages to prayer books, for participants to learn more about your friends and family, serve your neighbor, worship God, and engage in prayer and Bible study on the days or weeks you are away from church. Be sure to pick up a box and discover new ways to live into your faith!

PENTECOST OFFERING

Last Sunday, we received one of the PC(USA)'s four special offerings, the Pentecost Offering. A portion of the Pentecost Offering will go to OIKOS, a campus ministry for international students at Emory University. OIKOS helps students who are far away from home have a community to call their own. The remaining portion will go to support national and international ministries of the Presbyterian Church that serve children, youth, and young adults. If you did not have an opportunity to give to this special offering last week, please consider contributing today. Checks can be placed in the offering plate with "Pentecost Offering" in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to the work of the larger church!

INTOWN FOOD PANTRY

There was a need at the Pantry for canned chicken and other meats. You responded by bringing chicken, Vienna sausage, Spam, and other high protein foods. There was a request for peanut butter. Lots of that was in the basket Sunday morning. Vegetables and fruit are always needed for a complete, nutritious meal. The Concrete Jungle had foraged in Piedmont Park and brought back fresh mulberries and serviceberries for the Pantry. That fruit must have been a first for many of our guests! However, it didn't take the place of the familiar fruit cups which you bring! Thank you for caring about our neighbors and their food needs. Keep those donations coming!

UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTREAT WOMEN'S CONNECTION

August 10-12

Women from DHPC are invited to take part in the Montreat Women's Connection. Kate Bowler, author of our summer read, *Everything Happens for a Reason and Other Lies I've Loved*, will serve as the keynote speaker. Join us as we pray, play, learn and worship together, in the beautiful North Carolina mountains. The cost to participate is \$189 (before June 29) and \$212 (after June 29). You can find more information on the church bulletin boards and website, or by visiting www.montreat.org/women. Pastor Shelli would be happy to answer any questions you might have at pastorshelli@dhpc.org. Young Adults should talk with Rachel Mathews about scholarships.

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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.



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