



Service of the Lord's Day, January 20, 2019

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.

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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

Pavane

G. Faure/arr. G. Martin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 92

*Leader: It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord,
and to sing praises to your name, Most High;*

**All: to proclaim your loyal love in the morning,
your faithfulness at night time;**

*on the lute, and on the lyre,
and to the melody of the harp.*

**For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord;
and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.**

*The righteous will spring up like a palm tree.
They will grow strong like a cedar of Lebanon.*

**Those who are planted in the house of the Lord
shall flourish in the courts of our God.**

*They will bear fruit even when old and gray.
They will remain lush and fresh in order to proclaim:*

“The Lord is, My Rock, in whom there is no fault.”

† **HYMN #686**

God of Our Life

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CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Loving God, you provide everything we need, yet sometimes, we doubt there will be enough time, enough money, enough health, enough memory, enough compassion as we live out our days. We doubt when we need to have faith. We see the glass half empty when in fact it is half full. We know you are present, God-with-us. But, in spite of ourselves, we sometimes feel separated and lost. Forgive us when we rely too much on ourselves and not enough on you, for you are steadfast and strong, ready to meet our every need and receive every petition. Bless each of us, O Lord, that we may mature in faith as well as in years. In your mercy, Lord, hear our prayers.

(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 #339 **Lift Every Voice and Sing** Lift Every Voice
(verse 1)

**Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,
ring the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies;
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.**

**Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope that present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on, till victory is won.**

ENCOUNTERING GOD’S WORD

(WE’RE ALL GOD’S) CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 2:22-38

p 59 NT

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

SERMON

“Faces of Our Faith: Anna”

Rev. Shelli Latham

† HYMN #488

I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry

Waterlife

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

arr. Mack Wilberg

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his Name;
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back, when I forsake his ways,
And leads me for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;
One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come,
No more a stranger, nor a guest; but like a child at home.

† **DOXOLOGY #538**

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises
(verse 1)

Helaluya! Pelo Tsa Rona

Hallelujah! We sing your praises;
All our hearts are filled with gladness. (Repeat 2x)

Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread.
I am wine, I am bread: give to all who thirst and hunger.

Hallelujah! We sing your praises;
All our hearts are filled with gladness. (Repeat 2x)

† **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 #392

Jesus, We Are Here

Jesus, Tawa Pano

**Je-sus, we are here; Je-sus we are here;
Je-sus we are here; we are here for you.**

2. Savior, . . .

3. Teacher, . . .

4. Spirit, . . .

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

† HYMN #808

When Memory Fades

Finlandia

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Old Hundredth

Smith/Rawsthorne

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WORSHIP NOTES

WINTER WORSHIP SERIES: FACES OF OUR FAITH

Sundays, January 20 - March 3

There are many heroes of the faith, people we admire and wish to be. However, there are even more ordinary people of faith—those doing what they can with what they have to make a difference. Last fall, we'll explored 7 bold stories of often overlooked characters from the Old Testament. This winter - through story, sermon, visual art, and journaling, we invite you to dig into the worlds of characters from the New Testament, entering their stories with curiosity and openness to what they might teach us.

Get ready to learn about Anna, John the Baptist, Zacchaeus, Bartimaeus; Mary, Joanna, and Susana; and Matthew. Journals for the series are available outside the church office and at the entrances to the sanctuary.

In honor of Martin Luther King Day, we sing *Lift Every Voice and Sing* as our Response of Praise. The hymn was initially a poem for a school assembly at which Booker T. Washington spoke on Lincoln's birthday in 1900. Today *Lift Every Voice and Sing* is one of the most cherished songs of the African American Civil Rights Movement and is often referred to as the Black National Anthem.

Today's bulletin art is "Anna the Prophetess" by Lisle Gwynn Garrity, © Sanctified Art.

Liturgy for this morning was influenced by the Presbyterian Older Adult Ministries Planning Guide, 2016.

PRAYERS

pray for our dhpc community

Helen Woodside, Bobby Howlett, Rev Marilyn Washburn, Ivey Lois Hubert, Charles Middleton, Lisa Carter, Stella Hurst, Cecile Hooks

pray for our family and friends

Chelsea Walker, Letia Henson's daughter; **Townsley-Kidd-Szymczak**, Anne Townsley's family; **Dorothy Nichols**, mother of Steve Nichols; **Gene Gettler**, friend of Margaret Ross; **Brandon Hathaway**, member of our community; **Edna Young**, friend of the Widemans; **Ruth Potter**, friend of the McFarlands; **Jerry Black**, former DHPC organist/choir director; **Dr. Robert A Thweatt**, Kenyon Thweatt's father; **Linda Singer**, friend of Robert Welborn; **Leonard family**, friends of Robert Welborn; **Brian Fulghum**, Bob Beard's nephew; **Bob McKinnon**, former longtime DHPC member; **Barbara Bushnell**, Jane Weir's sister; **Maureen O'Harra**, Katie Vigilante's mother; **Allie Busby**, Renee Weese's mother; **Kells Weatherby and family**, Jane Weir's nephew, **Meg Straley**, friend of Linda Davis; **Birdell Odom Hughes**, Cynthia Middleton's mother; **Helen O Green and Michele O Rouse**, Cynthia Middleton's sisters; **Pam Sims**, Renee Weese's sister; **Joseph Vigilante**, David Vigilante's father; **Nancy Hahn Bono**, Susan Hagood'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

pray for our world

Loving and Gracious God, on this special week of celebration for the life of Martin Luther King, Jr., a man who worked so hard during his short life to bring equality and human rights to those who had been excluded, we find ourselves still facing attitudes of great exclusion. As we remember Dr. King, we pray for immigrants trying to make their way to the "land of opportunity" in order to take care of their families, escaping the terror of gangs and oppression in their homelands in Central America. Open the eyes of all in our country, especially our political leaders, who fail to see you in those different from themselves.

We pray also for our country during this time of leaders drawing lines in the sand. The current "partial" government shutdown is not a trickle, but rather a mudslide for those whose lives and businesses are being harmed. We pray for the safety of immigrants and for citizens whose lives are in jeopardy because of the lack of a paycheck, availability of safe food and water, ease of transportation, loss of healthcare and, on and on.

We pray that everyone will find a seat at the human table and the table in your house, Lord. In their names we pray, Amen.

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, January 20

11:00AM – *Worship Service*

12:15PM – *Sandwich Ministry*

Wednesday, January 23

6:15PM – *Handbell Rehearsal*

6:15PM – *Yoga Prayer*

7:30PM – *Choir Rehearsal*

Thursday, January 24

7:00PM – *White Fragility Online Book Study*

Sunday, January 27

8:30AM – *Community Fellowship Bible Study*

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

9:45AM – *Youth Confirmation Class Spirituality Center for All-Ages*

10:15AM – *Choir Warm Up*

11:00AM – *Worship Service and Congregational Meeting*

12:15PM – *Confirmation Lunch*

SANDWICH MINISTRY

Sunday, January 20, Following Worship

Once a month the congregation is invited to assist in making sandwiches for Mercy Community Church. Mercy Church, a congregation housed in the terrace level of DHPC, cares for our neighbors who are homeless and/or hungry. With your help, we can make 120 sandwiches in less than 30 minutes and provide a tasty meal for those in need. Join us in this effort to feed our brothers and sisters on the streets. Contact Anne Townsley with any questions.

BOOK CLUB JANUARY MEETING

Monday, January 21st, 7pm

All who love to read interesting, challenging and fun books are encouraged to join the monthly meeting of the Linda Miller Book Club. This month's book is *The Burgess Boys* by Elizabeth Stroud. The meeting will be at Letia Henson's home. All are welcome. Please contact Letia with any questions or for directions. See you there!

INTOWN FOOD PANTRY

A number of our friends from Mercy Community Church lived on the streets for years. Then, after ICM's Outreach Team reached out to them, these Mercy members accepted ICM's help and were ultimately able to find permanent housing. You help make these changes happen by supporting the Pantry, which supports the Outreach Team by providing snack packs the Team uses to make introductions to people living in encampments around the city. With cold weather adding stress our homeless neighbors' lives, your help is needed to create more snack packs. Individual sized, easy to access items (chili, beef stew, fruit, veggies, cereal bars, raisins, etc...) are needed. Through your donations, you can help in ICM's efforts to prevent and reverse homelessness and hunger in Intown Atlanta. Thank you for your generosity and love of neighbor.

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Are you comfortable with a computer, enjoy greeting guests and answering the phone? The church is in need of volunteers that can help out with regular weekly duties between the hours of 9:00AM and 1:30PM on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays. We also need individuals who would be willing to perform basic office tasks when Danielle Wilson, our Office & Facilities Manager, takes vacations. If you are interested in signing up, please email dwilson@dhpc.org. Thank you!

WE LOVE OUR STAFF! THANK OFFERING

The Personnel Ministry Team is excited to host the annual staff appreciation event Valentine's week. This is an opportunity to say thank you for the creativity and energy that those who work for DHPC pour into caring for our congregation every day. You are invited to contribute. To participate in the Staff Thank Offering, you may make a payment online or by check with the memo: Staff Offering. Cash may be given to Linda Davis, church Treasurer. Please make your offering by Wednesday, February 6.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, January 27, Following Worship

The Session has called the annual congregational meeting for next Sunday following worship for the following purposes: (1) receive the Session's 2018 annual report, (2) receive the 2019 budget, and (3) consider proposed changes to the pastor's terms of call. Please plan to attend.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PRESBYTERIANS FOR A BETTER GEORGIA'S ADVOCACY TRAINING EVENT

Tuesday, January 29, 6:30-8PM; First Presbyterian Church, Atlanta

Presbyterians for a Better Georgia invites you to their annual Advocacy Training event! This year's training will give you an opportunity to learn from the experts how to talk to legislators about the issues

important to you. No matter your level of experience, this event is sure to leave you feeling equipped to be an effective advocate in your community. You will have an opportunity to use your new skills Wednesday, February 6th, at Day at the Capitol! To register or for more information, visit www.p4bg.org.

EXPLORATIONS CLASS: DEATH AND DYING; PEACE AND POSSIBILITIES, PART 1: Sunday, February 3, 9:45AM; Parlor

Facing our own mortality or the mortality of those closest to us is not always easy. However, having thoughtful, intentional conversations with ourselves and our loved ones about death and dying will help ease the pain and discomfort of acutely stressful moments. Dr. Lisa Oliver, a death, dying, and bereavement educator and certified grief counselor, will help participants explore what it means to die well and help take a bit of the mystery out of the dying process. Join us for this important time together!

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INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

We are so grateful for the visitors (old and new) who add to our community each week. If you have visited the church and are interested in learning more about what it would look like to join, it's really easy; just talk with Pastor Shelli (pastorshelli@dhpc.org). She'll answer questions you may have about DHPC or Presbyterianism, and walk you through meeting our leadership and making your spot in our family official. Just let us know if this feels like the right step for you or if you are curious to learn more.

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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