



Third Sunday in Lent, March 24, 2019

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

Wondrous Love

Dale Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 31, select verses

*Leader: In you, O Lord, I seek refuge.
You are indeed my rock and my fortress.*

**All: I rejoice and celebrate in your faithful love,
because you have seen my suffering.**

You were intimately acquainted with my deep distress.

And so, I trust in you, O Lord.

I say, "You are my God."

All you who are faithful, love the Lord!

**All you who wait for the Lord,
be strong and let your heart take courage.**

† **HYMN #165**

The Glory of These Forty Days

Erhalt Uns, Herr

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Faithful God, we are not always your faithful people.

We deny your preference for the poor and vulnerable, but are dazzled by the famous and affluent.

We deny your call to be good stewards of our planet, which is choking with plastic waste and sucked of its resources with destructive greed.

We deny your sabbath claims, refusing the rest we so need to refresh our spirits.

But we trust that we are not the finished product of ourselves.

We trust that you can make us new and point us towards a faithful walk with you and our neighbor.

Reclaim our lives, O God.

Give us courage to proclaim, through our words and practices, that you are our God and we are your people. (time for silent reflection)

POURING OF BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

When Je - sus wept, the fall - ing tear in mer - cy
 flowed be - yond all bound. When Je - sus groaned, a
 trem - bling fear seized all the guilt - y world a - round.

ENCOUNTERING GOD’S WORD

(WE’RE ALL GOD’S) CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 22:54-62

p 87 NT

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

SERMON

“Faces on the Crossroads: Peter”

Rev. Shelli Latham

† **HYMN**

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

American Spiritual

♩ = 105

1. Je - sus walked this lone - some val - ley. He had to walk it by Him - self; O,
 2. We must walk this lone - some val - ley, We have to walk it by our - selves; O,
 3. You must go and stand your tri - al, You have to stand it by your - self, O,

no - bod - y else could walk it for Him, He had to walk it by Him - self.
 no - bod - y else can walk it for us, We have to walk it by our - selves.
 no - bod - y else can stand it for you, You have to stand it by your - self.

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

A New Creed, United Church of Canada

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

**We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

ANTHEM

Who is that Man?

Don Besig

Who is that Man? | O who is that Man praying in the moonlit garden?
What does He seek? | Why does He weep all alone?

Where have they gone? | O where have they gone, those who always walk beside Him?
Where can they be? | Why do they leave Him alone?

Why, O why do some want to hurt Him? | What has He done to make them afraid?
Why, O why do His friends now desert Him, | closing their eyes, turning away?

Who is that Man? | O who is that Man hanging there in pain and sorrow?
Why must He die? | Why must He suffered there and die all alone?

† **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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**

† **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

In the Cross of Christ I Glory
Handbell Choir

arr. Anna Laura Page
Based on the hymn tune
Rathbun and Martyrdom

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

† **HYMN #208**

O Blest Are They Who in Their Love

Guiltsborough

† **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Fantasia

Georg Philipp Telemann

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WORSHIP NOTES

Our Lenten Worship Series: Faces on the Crossroads will allow us to walk alongside Jesus, in his final earthly days, as he journeys through Jerusalem toward the cross and then onward from the empty tomb. Join us as we meet: *Lazarus* (raised from the dead), *Mary* (who anointed Jesus' feet), *Peter* (who denied Jesus 3 times), *the Penitent Thief of the Cross* (crucified beside Jesus), and *Joseph of Arimathea* (a wealthy man who procured Jesus' tomb).

Today's **Affirmation of Faith** comes from the United Church in Canada which, like the PCUSA, is a mainline Reformed denomination. The United Church in Canada is the largest Protestant denomination in Canada and was founded in 1925 as a merger of four Protestant denominations. Two-thirds of its membership came from the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

This morning we worship in two locations as several members of our community are worshipping in Montgomery, AL at the National Memorial for Peace and Justice as part of Druid Hills' Race and Reconciliation Pilgrimage. Specifically, participants are worshipping at the memorial to the men, women, and children lynched in Fulton County. Please pray for them as they engage the hard truths of our nation, state, and county's history and seek to find paths to reconciliation and justice.

Children are invited to the PrayGround: The multi-colored mat at the back of the sanctuary is for our young disciples to learn to participate in worship. Each child's age and development will shape how they best learn to worship through access to play. An attentive parent or worship buddy will best help our youngest worshippers to learn and grow. We encourage you to consider these guidelines: Ages 0-3 - Just let them play. Being present in the sanctuary is a great start to learning about worship. Ages 4-6 - Encourage participation in standing, singing simple songs, passing the peace, and looking at related stories in the children's Bibles. Ages 7-10 - Parents or a worship buddy can help older children follow along in the bulletin (reading prayers, standing and sitting, singing, walking forward for communion, etc.). We encourage children this age to participate in worship alongside the congregation and use the PrayGround for the sermon portion of worship, if needed. All ages - The All God's Children's Message is a time for intergenerational collective learning. This is a great opportunity for all children to learn alongside our adults and to help teach them something too.

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PRAYERS

pray in condolence

The sympathy of the congregation is extended **Steve Nichols and Susan Rutherford** on the death of **Steve's mother Dorothy Nichols** who died Friday March 15th.

pray in celebration

We celebrate with Emory Presbyterian Church the installation of their new pastor, **Rev. Andy Acton, husband of Elizabeth Acton**, on Sunday March 17.

pray for our dhpc community

Carl Sweet, Bobby Howlett, Charles Middleton, Lisa Carter

pray for our family and friends

Linda McGuire, Pete McGuire's sister; **Kadine Christie**, wife of Antonio Christie; **Frannie Kidd**, Anne Townsley's daughter; **Dr. Jerry Long and Shannon Long**, cousins of Helen Woodside; **George Vesely**, friend of the Widemans; **Martha Butts**, friend of Bob Beard; **Chelsea Walker**, Letia Henson's daughter; **Brandon Hathaway**; **Ruth Potter**, former DHPC member and elder; **Dr. Robert A Thweatt**, Kenyon Thweatt's father; **Linda Singer**, friend of Robert Welborn; **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; **Michele O. Rouse**, Cynthia Middleton's sister; **Birdell Odom Hughes**, Cynthia Middleton's mother; **Joseph Vigilante**, David Vigilante's father; **Christina Georgiadou**, friend of the Vigilante and Adams families; **Pellicane family**, Jane Weir's friends; **Meredith Shahpazian**, friend of Betty and Linda Davis

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, March 24

- All Day – *Race and Reconciliation Pilgrimage*
- 9:30AM – *Adult Bible Roundtable Sunday School Class*
- 9:45AM – *Spirituality Center for All Ages*
- 11:00AM – *Worship Service*
- 12:15PM – *Young Adult Lunch*

Wednesday, March 27

- 6:15PM – *Handbell Choir Rehearsal*
Yoga Prayer
- 7:30PM – *Choir Rehearsal*

Sunday, March 31

- 8:30AM – *Community Fellowship Bible Study*
- 9:30AM – *Adult Bible Roundtable Sunday School Class*
- 9:45AM – *Spirituality Center for All Ages*
- 10:15AM – *Choir Warm Up*
- 11:00AM – *Worship Service*

YOUNG ADULT LUNCH

Sunday, March 24, Following worship

All Young Adults are invited to gather for lunch on the town as we welcome in Spring. We'll walk together (or drive, depending on the weather) to a nearby lunch spot. Join us for fellowship, food, and good conversation before you start your week! Meet at the back of the sanctuary following worship. Questions? (Or restaurant recommendations!) Email Emily at emorrell@dhpc.org.

EASTER ART PROJECT - CAN WE RING YOUR BELLS?

We are collecting bells for a celebratory banner for Easter. Do you have any to donate? We need bells of multiple size and shapes that can be rung if tied to a string - jingle bells, wedding bells, cow bells, butlers bells, etc. You may drop your bells off outside the church office any time in the month of March or first week of April. Stay tuned for opportunities to help with our banner to ring in the resurrection celebration. Contact Pastor Shelli (pastorshelli@dhpc.org) with any questions.

INTOWN FOOD PANTRY

The Intown Food Pantry sends a weekly report to friends with news of the past Saturday's distribution. Also included is a list of the more pressing needs, some of which fluctuate from week to week. DHPC's weekly e-newsletter lists the current items. You have responded by bringing the foods most needed by

our Pantry and their guests. The Pantry asks for canned meat - you bring chicken, tuna, and Viennas. They ask for canned meals - you bring Chef Boyardee. The pressing needs list rarely asks for instant coffee because you help keep the Pantry supplied. (Please keep those jars of instant coming!) On this week's pressing needs list is used grocery bags. They ran out last week so please repurpose yours, and those of your friends, by bringing them for the Food Pantry. Thank you for your support!

UPCOMING EVENTS

THE CROSSROADS PROJECT: AN EVENING CELEBRATING SUSTAINABILITY

Thursday, March 28, 7:30 pm; Central Presbyterian Church

Do you love music and art? Do you care about the environment and taking sustainable actions? If you answered yes, then you don't want to miss The Crossroads Project: Rising Tide! Co-Sponsored by DHPC ministry partner Georgia Interfaith Power and Light, Central Presbyterian Church, and Columbia Theological Seminary, Rising Tide is an evening of inspiring music and art to celebrate sustainability. Tickets are only \$15 and include a cocktail hour and Q&A with the artists following the performance. For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.gipl.org/events.

ONLINE BOOK STUDY: BARBARA BROWN TAYLOR'S *AN ALTAR IN THE WORLD*

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 25, and May 2; 7PM

Do you ever feel like your calendar is so full that you miss out on all of life's quiet, holy moments? Join us for our next online book study where we'll dive into *An Altar in the World*. Taylor details the ways in which she discovered the sacred in ordinary practices like walking the dog, hanging clothes on the line, and eye contact with the grocery store cashier. When we incorporate this practice into our daily lives, Taylor argues, we will find altars in the world everywhere we go. All are welcome to join us weekly for a few moments of reprieve from the stress of spring. Contact Emily Morrell (emorrell@dhpc.org) to register or for more information, including info on how an online study works.

EXPLORATIONS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: DHPC'S VISION AND STRATEGIC PLAN

Sunday, April 7, 9:45AM

Exciting things are happening at DHPC as we work with Ministry Architects to live into our vision for the future of our church. In the next Explorations class, Pastor Shelli and members of the Strategic Planning Team will lead as we dive into our vision for where DHPC is headed in the next three years. Join us as we learn about our goals and share in time to think creatively about accomplishing them. This is a prime opportunity to join in the conversations that will help us discern where we're going.

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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.



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