

Service of the Lord's Day, November 15, 2020

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.

GOD GATHERS US AROUND THE WORD

† You are invited to stand when you see this symbol.

PRELUDE Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing Robert Robinson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 95:1-2, 5-6

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For the Lord is our God,

and we are the people of God's pasture,

and the sheep of God's hand.

HYMN #301 All Are Welcome Two Oaks

Let us build a house where love can dwell | And all can safely live A place where Saints and children tell | How hearts learn to forgive Built of hopes and dreams and visions | Rock of faith and vault of grace Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

[Refrain:]
All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak | And words are strong and true Where all God's children dare to seek | To dream God's reign anew Here the cross shall stand as witness | And a symbol of God's grace

Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

[Refrain]

Let us build a house where all are named, | their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed | as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, | prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

[Refrain]

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

Holy God, stir in our memories the many times and many ways we have neglected to listen to you. Awaken us to our shortcomings, and point us to your purpose for the church. Some of us have been complacent in our appreciation of the ministry we have been privileged to share; others have chosen to heed personal preference rather than seek your will. Yet you have blessed us and given us ample signs of assurance. The problem is not with our dreams, or our size, or our age, but with the depth of our conviction. Turn us, even against our hesitation, toward you and let us build together a church that truly looks and lives like the Body of Christ.

(time for silent reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 27

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

REFLECTION

"The Church is Still Relevant"

Rev. Peter Hausmann

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

WE'RE STILL STEWARDS

Davis Acton, Aiden Escobar, and Sophia Simpson

INVITATION TO SHARING OUR GIFTS — Consider supporting our ministries through an <u>online gift</u>, or mail a check to Druid Hills Presbyterian Church, 1026 Ponce de Leon Ave., Atlanta, GA 30306.

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Thank you. Last week Lily Mae Simpson was joyfully baptized. As part of her baptism the church presented Lily with two books: *Frolic First Bible* and *Water Came Down: The Day You Were Baptized*. Thanks to your generosity, Lily has already begun learning the story of God's great love.

Earth Stewardship Invitation: Check your tires! Cooler temperatures can lower tire pressure and under-inflated tires reduce your car's fuel efficiency. It takes just a few minutes to inflate your tires to the proper pressure and it's well worth the grimy fingers.

ANTHEM

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father; | there is no shadow of turning with thee. Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not. | As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

[Refrain:]

Great is thy faithfulness! | Great is thy faithfulness! | Morning by morning, new mercies I see. All I have needed thy hand hath provided. | Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, | sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness | to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

[Refrain]

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, | thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow: | blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [Refrain]

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

...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.

BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

HYMN #320

The Church Of Christ in Every Age

Wareham

The church of Christ in every age, | beset by change but Spirit-led, must claim and test its heritage | and keep on rising from the dead.

Across the world, across the street, | the victims of injustice cry for shelter and for bread to eat, | and never live before they die.

Then let the servant church arise, | a caring church that longs to be a partner in Christ's sacrifice, | and clothed in Christ's humanity.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE St. Alphege Andrew Wright

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WORSHIP NOTES



This week we continue our worship series: *still still* as part of our 2021 Stewardship Campaign. We never could have imagined what the world had in store for us during 2020, but the promises of God are sure and certain. Join us over the coming weeks as we open the Psalms and explore the following themes: *God is Still With Us, God's Kingdom is Still Coming, God's Church is Still Relevant*, and *We are Still Called*.

We welcome today's preacher, the Rev. Peter Hausmann. Peter is a faithful part of the Druid Hills family and a member of New Hope Presbytery.

Today's Prayers of the People comes from Jill Duffield of the Presbyterian Outlook.

PRAYERS

pray for our dhpc community

Jane Boyd Lee is doing PT twice a week in her apartment to deal with ongoing back pain.

Charles Middleton has ongoing chronic health issues, but is doing reasonably well at this time.

Lisa Carter is having ongoing pain with her knees and appreciates prayers for healing.

Steve Thaxton is continuing to recover well at home from the recent fall as he continues to deal with ongoing issues with his legs.

Miriam Herrera was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and began chemotherapy last week.

Martha Moore was admitted to Emory Johns Creek after two falls in her apartment on November 4th. She is doing well and looking to transfer to a rehab center soon for PT to recover her strength. She is also being treated for congestive heart failure. Cards would really cheer her and can be sent to her home address, 11190 Medlock Bridge Rd Apt 401, Johns Creek, GA 30097-2586. Her daughter Beth Yoder will make sure they are delivered.

Genie Talbott is battling a bad asthma and bronchitis attack and may be hospitalized. Genie tested negative for the Covid-19 virus.

pray for our family and friends

Elissa Tatton, Genie Talbott's sister; Maureen O'Hara, Katie Vigilante's mother; George Reeves, former DHPC member; Michael Woodside, son of Helen Woodside; Michael West, friend of May Dewees; Carolyn Smith, friend of May Dewees; Madelyn Magruder, friend of Jane Martin; Chase and Claire Porter, brother and sister-in-law of Kirk and Anna Simpson; Barbara Magnan, Cathie Magnan-Power's mother; Carol Vigilante, David Vigilante's mother; Sean Bushnell, Jane Weir's nephew; Lee Sewell, friend of May and Ron DeWees; Lora Butler, friend of Jane Weir; Robert and Doris Thweatt, Kenyon Thweatt's mother and father; Lins Grawert, sister of Bruce Grawert; Sara Torres, friend of Adam Ralls; Rev. Brice Graves, friend of Susan Hagood; Colton, Summer and Matthew Cooper, friends of Lauren Merceron; George Ports, friend of Lauren Merceron; Kathy Moore, friend of the Armstrongs; Betsy Weir, Jane Weir's sister; Kim Sargent, friend of Jane Weir's son; Luis Bolano, Tyler Merceron's uncle; Kevin Harris, former DHPC sexton; Ruth Potter, former DHPC member and elder; Allie Busby, Renee Weese's mother; Kells Weatherby and family, Jane Weir's nephew; Michele O Rouse, Cynthia Middleton's sister

WEEKLY UPDATE

Sunday, November 15

9:00 AM – Pre-Recorded Online Worship 10:00 AM – Virtual Children's Sunday School 11:00 AM – Live Online Fellowship & Worship

12:30PM - Online Stated Session Meeting

Monday, November 16

9:00 AM - Online Staff Meeting

10:00 AM - Online Worship Planning Meeting

4:30 PM - Anti-Racism Protests at Emory Presbyterian

Wednesday, November 18

5:00 PM - Handbell Rehearsal in Converse Hall

4:30 PM - Anti-Racism Protests at Emory Presbyterian

7:00 PM - Virtual Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, November 22

9:00 AM - Pre-Recorded Online Worship

11:00 AM - Live Online Fellowship & Roundtable

3:00 PM - Stewardship Dedication & Advent Pop Up Shop

WE NEED YOU! CONTRIBUTE TO THE DHPC ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

Submissions due this Sunday, November 15

This year, while we are scattered apart, we will be reminded of our connection with an Advent devotional written by DHPC members and staff. And we can't do it without you. Don't be daunted by the task. This is a simple opportunity to share with your faith family a little about what speaks to your spirit. You can write an original piece or reflect in a few sentences on a favorite song, piece or art, or DHPC memory. Art is also welcome. All ages are welcome to submit. Click here for a submission form that will walk you through instructions in more detail. If you would like to submit and are intimidated by the form or do not have internet access, please reach out to Pastor Shelli at pastorshelli@dhpc.org or 404-875-7591. We want to make sure we hear from as many DHPC voices as possible.

STEWARDSHIP DEDICATION & ADVENT POP UP SHOP

Sunday, November 22, 3-4 PM, front parking lot

Join us on Sunday, November 22, at 3 PM, in the front parking lot. Let's celebrate that the grace and goodness of God are *still* with us as we share our promises to support DHPC in 2021. This is also a chance to get ready for Advent with our (free!!) Advent Pop Up Shop. Here's what's in store:

- *Advent Wreath supply pick-up* We'll have supplies for making creative advent wreaths. (Sunday, November 29, following Zoom worship, we'll have a virtual wreath making party, so grab your supplies!)
- *Advent resource pick-up* Get your Advent devotional guide hot off the presses. Help us save money on postage by picking up your Advent devotional guide.
- *Prayer cornucopia* Add your prayers to our prayer cornucopia. Pastors Elizabeth and Shelli will be on hand to pray with you in person, and prayers will be raised up throughout the week.
- Whoopie Pies We celebrate your gifts by saying, "Whoopie for God's grace! And whoopie for your support!!"
- *Drop off your Pledge for 2021* and let the church know we can count on your support.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD 2020 CAMPAIGN

The DHPC Mission team encourages continued support of the Bread for the World (BFW). BFW is an international program that promotes multiple human quality of life issues, including hunger and nutrition. This year, in addition to continuing their advocacy work around global nutrition, BFW is also paying special attention to those experiencing hunger in the United States, particularly those struggling as a result of coronavirus. The economic fallout from the pandemic has caused hunger to become more widespread in the U.S. and those already experiencing hunger and poverty will be hit hardest. The Mission team is asking that you sign a petition letting members of Congress know that we want them to support programs that can alleviate hunger globally and locally NOW. God calls people to LOVE one another as God LOVES us. Thus, it is our civic duty and moral responsibility to feed the hungry. To fulfill your duty, click on the link here to read and sign the petition. With this simple action you will be part of a movement to eliminate hunger in the world by 2030. Thank you!

LIVE ONLINE FELLOWSHIP AND WORSHIP

First, Third, and Fifth Sundays of the Month (November 15 and 29), 11 AM, via Zoom

Join us on-odd numbered Sundays for live worship together via Zoom. We will gather for a time of fellowship, followed by a brief worship service. On the first Sunday of the month, we will have communion. Please come with your bread and juice (or wine). This is a wonderful opportunity to join together with your DHPC family. Sign in information for computers and smartphones is available here. To call in, dial 1-646-558-8656. The meeting ID is 330 367 764#.

LIVE ONLINE FELLOWSHIP AND ROUNDTABLE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Second and Fourth Sundays of the Month (11/22), 11 AM, via Zoom

Join us every even numbered Sunday for a time to check-in, pray, reflect, and learn. We gather in small groups for our call to worship and then chat, worship, and spend time in fellowship with one another. The second portion of our class is a study on the week's scripture led by Pete McGuire. Sign in information for computers and smartphones is available here. To call in, dial 1-646-558-8656. The meeting ID is 330 367 764#.

PRE-RECORDED ONLINE WORSHIP

Available Sundays at 9 AM

Weekly worship will be available online every Sunday, beginning at 9 AM. You may watch worship through the link on dhpc.org or our facebook page, at your convenience.

VIRTUAL CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

First, Third, and Fifth Sundays of the Month, 10 AM; Zoom

Every odd numbered Sunday our elementary age children are encouraged to gather with Pastor Elizabeth and members of the CE team. We will spend our time together sharing about our week, learning about a Bible story, crafting, and laughing. All children are welcome! Contact Elizabeth (eacton@dhpc.org) to learn how to join us!

VIRTUAL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Second, Fourth, and Fifth Wednesdays, 7 PM; Zoom

Middle school youth are invited to join Pastor Elizabeth for a weekly online check-in. Each week's conversation is unique and entertaining! Contact Elizabeth (eacton@dhpc.org) to join us.

HOW TO HELP OUR MISSION PARTNERS

For more information on how to help these organizations, contact Pastor Elizabeth (eacton@dhpc.org).

MERCY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Our friends at Mercy are staying busy trying to keep their community safe. As the temperatures slowly decrease, the Mercy ministry team is preparing for a winter spent mostly outdoors. The scarf and glove supply is in good shape, but there is a high need for hats. If you are crafty and are up to making hats to donate, Mercy would be so appreciative. Mercy's complete wish list can be found hercy's capatron <a href="https://exam

INTOWN COLLABORATIVE MINISTRIES: FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

ICM is feeding 300 families a week, nearly four times the number of neighbors served pre-Covid. The need is high and ICM can't fill that need without our help. At the top of the most wanted list is packets of tuna, canned chicken, instant oatmeal and grits, canned soup, individual cereal boxes, pasta and pasta sauce, Vienna sausages, quart-size shelf stable milk, pop top veggies, Uncrustables, bottles of water, cooking oil, peanut butter, and jelly. The complete list of wanted items is in the DHPC weekly newsletter. A drop-off table will be outside McIver Hall from 10am - 12pm on Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. To learn other ways you can support ICM during this time, click here or contact Pastor Elizabeth.

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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.

THREE WAYS TO SUPPORT DHPC

- 1. Make a donation with your smartphone!
 - Text "DHPC Offering \$____ (the amount you want to give)" to 73256 to give using your text messaging. You can also use the drop down menu to select another fund. Standard text message rates do apply.
- 2. **Give online.** Click this link to give online. You may make a one-time gift or set up recurring payments.
- 3. Mail a check to the church at 1026 Ponce de Leon Ave. NE; Atlanta, GA 30306.

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