



***Service of the Lord's Day, Sunday, May 17***  
***Sixth Sunday of Easter***

***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

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

## WELCOME

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Ps. 105, Adapted

*Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name,  
Make known God's deeds among the peoples.  
Sing to God, sing praises to God;  
Tell of all God's wonderful works.*

**All: Praise the Lord!**

*Glory in God's holy name;  
Let hearts who seek the Lord rejoice.  
Remember the wonderful works God has done--  
God's miracles and God's covenant forever.*

**Praise the Lord!**

*God is mindful of God's covenant forever,  
Of the word God commanded to Israel as an everlasting covenant.  
God brought God's people out with joy,  
God's people liberated with singing.*

**Praise the Lord! Let us worship God!**

## HYMN # 612

*We Praise You, O God*

Kresmer

We praise you, O God, | our Redeemer, Creator;  
in grateful devotion | our tribute we bring.

We lay it before you; | we kneel and adore you;  
we bless your holy name; | glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of | our fathers and mothers;  
through trial and tempest | our guide you have been.

When perils o'ertake us, | you will not forsake us,  
and with your help, O Lord, | our struggles we win.

With voices united | our praises we offer  
and gladly our songs of | thanksgiving we raise.

With you, Lord, beside us, | your strong arm will guide us.  
To you, our great Redeemer, | forever be praise!

## CALL TO RECONCILIATION

## UNISON PRAYER OF BROKENNESS

**God of good promises, we know you know, but it's hard to live as people called and claimed by your love. Especially now. When we are trying to avoid one another, when we worry about ourselves, our neighbors, our family, and our world. Forgive us our inclination to recede into fear and pessimism. Forgive us our selfishness. Remind us that your love is always bigger than our fear. Give us the courage to look for where your Spirit of hope is relentlessly at work among us. Even as we fall short, remind us of your love. Forgive us. Grant us hope.**

(time for silent reflection)

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE LESSON

[Exodus 20: 1-20](#)

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

#### REFLECTION

“Plans & Promises”

Emily Morrell

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**INVITATION TO SHARING OUR GIFTS** — Consider supporting our ministries through an [online gift](#), or mail a check to Druid Hills Presbyterian Church, 1026 Ponce de Leon Ave., Atlanta, GA 30306.

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**Thank you.** In a time when nothing feels normal and we are separated from so many people, places, and things that we love, our Druid Hills community has continued to show up for one another. In phone calls, emails, texts, care packages, and donations to the church, Mercy, and ICM, you have lived out the call to love our neighbors--whether we can leave our houses to visit them or not. Thank you.

**Earth Stewardship Invitation:** This week as you care for God's good earth, remember all the people with whom we share the planet--even if we can't see them as often right now. Pick up some litter on your walk so the person on the path after you has a lovely break from being inside. Plant some flowers in your front yard so your neighbors can celebrate spring with you from afar. Find some joy in this beautiful planet we get to share.

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**ANTHEM**

*Esto Les Digo*

Music: Kinley Lange  
Text: Matthew 18:19-20

Sung by: Genie Talbott, Carol Wideman Olivia Bradley, Susan Rutherford, Hilary Passo,  
Sam Potts, Ken Wideman, Brian Adams

“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.”

**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 # 313**

*Lord, Make Us More Holy*

Lord, Make Us More Holy

Lord, make us more holy; | Lord, make us more holy;  
Lord, make us more holy, | until we meet again:  
holy, holy, holy, | until we meet again.

Lord, make us more loving; | Lord, make us more loving;  
Lord, make us more loving, | until we meet again:  
loving, loving, loving, | until we meet again.

Lord, make us more faithful; | Lord, make us more faithful;  
Lord, make us more faithful, | until we meet again:  
faithful, faithful, faithful, | until we meet again.

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*St. Anne*

Healey Willan

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**WORSHIP NOTES**

As we are away from our church home, we are worshipping through the book of Exodus, the story of God’s chosen people, who were freed from slavery but not yet home in the Promised Land.

## PRAYERS

### pray in celebration

We celebrate the birth of **Pete and Maryann McGuire's** grandson, **Matthew Asher McGuire** who was born on May 6<sup>th</sup> to **Jon and Amy McGuire** in Charlotte NC. Everyone is doing well.

We celebrate the birth of **Letia Henson's** granddaughter, **Hailey Renee Walker**, who was born on May 7<sup>th</sup> to **Chelsea Walker**. Everyone is doing well.

### pray in condolence

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family and friends of **Jim Earhart**, a former longtime member of DHPC, who passed away last week. Details for a memorial service are not finalized.

### pray for our dhpc community

**Jane Boyd Lee** moved to AG Rhodes last week to continue her recovery and rehab from the fractured hip she sustained in a recent fall. Her recovery and PT are going well and she hopes to return to Wesley Woods when she is more mobile. Cards can be sent to her at Wesley Woods address: 1102 Towers Circle, NE Atlanta GA 30329.

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

**Lisa Carter** is going through a difficult time physically and emotionally and appreciates our continued prayer.

**Steve Thaxton** is dealing with some very painful water blisters.

**Bill Jackson** was admitted to Atlanta Medical Center last week. He can receive cards addressed to him, room 869, 303 Parkway Dr NE, Atlanta GA 30312.

### pray for our family and friends

**Lee Sewell**, friend of May and Ron DeWees; **Bob Brown**, Alex Marten's grandfather; **Lora Butler**, friend of Jane Weir; **Doris Thweatt**, Kenyon Thweatt's mother; **Lins Grawert**, sister of Bruce Grawert; **Sara Torres**, friend of Adam Ralls; **Rev. Brice Graves**, friend of Susan Hagood; **Rev. Dr. Jim Sawyer**, friend of Elizabeth Acton and Anne Soileau; **Marjorie Hogeman**, Paula Thweatt's mother; **Jean Harmon**, friend of Susan Hagood; **Courtney Francik**, niece of Susan Hagood; **Colton, Summer and Matthew Cooper**, friends of Lauren Merceron; **George Ports**, friend of Lauren Merceron; **Derek Turner**, friend of Jane Boyd Lee; **Kathy Moore**, friend of the Armstrongs; **Stephen Januseski**, friend of Katie Vigilante; **Betsy Weir**, Jane Weir's sister; **Kim Sargent**, friend of Jane Weir's son; **Luis Bolano**, Tyler Merceron's uncle; **Patrick Flinn**, friend of Margaret Ross; **Kevin Harris**, former DHPC sexton; **Martha Butts**, friend of Bob Beard; **Ruth Potter**, former DHPC member and elder; **Dr. Robert A Thweatt**, Kenyon Thweatt's father; **Allie Busby**, Renee Weese's mother; **Kells Weatherby and family**, Jane Weir's nephew; **Michele O Rouse**, Cynthia Middleton's sister; **Joseph Vigilante**, David Vigilante's father

## WEEKLY UPDATE

### Sunday, May 17

9:00AM – *Recorded Worship Available on DHPC Website and Facebook*

10:00AM – *Call in for Worship Available at 855-636-9161*

10:00AM – *Online Children's Sunday School*

11:00AM – *Online Fellowship & Worship with Communion*

12:30PM – *Online Stated Session Meeting*

3:00PM – *Online Congregational Life Ministry Team Meeting*

### Monday, May 18

10:00AM – *Online Staff Meeting*

6:30PM – *"Life Together" Online Book Study*

**Tuesday, May 19**

- 1:00PM – *Online Children's Message*
- 1:30PM – *Online Property & Administration Team Meeting*

**Wednesday, May 20**

- 8:00PM – *Online Youth Check-In*

**Thursday, May 21**

- 7:00PM – *Young Adult Online Happy Hour*

**Sunday, May 24**

- 9:00AM – *Recorded Worship Available on DHPC Website and Facebook*
- 10:00AM – *Online Children's Sunday School*
- 11:00AM – *Online Fellowship & Roundtable*

**NEW OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR WORSHIP TOLL-FREE BY PHONE — 855-636-9161****Live on Sundays, 10 AM, or Recorded any time**

If online worship is tricky for you or someone you know, you can now call in to worship. Call at 10 AM on Sundays to listen with other people from DHPC, or dial any time to hear the most recent service. You will be given the choice to select to be called when a new service becomes available. If you know of someone who might benefit from this service, please share the information with them or contact Pastor Shelli who can set them up.

**LIVE ONLINE FELLOWSHIP AND WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION****Sunday, May 17 and 31, 11 AM, via Zoom**

Join us this Sunday (and every odd numbered Sunday) for live worship together via Zoom. Come with your bread and juice (or wine), and gather for a time of fellowship, followed by a brief worship service, which will include live music and communion. This is a wonderful opportunity to join together with your DHPC family. Sign in information, including how to call in by landline or smartphone are available [here](#).

**JOIN US IN SAYING GOODBYE TO SAM POTTS, INTERIM MUSIC DIRECTOR****Sunday, May 17, 11 AM - Online Worship**

Sam Potts has been a part of the DHPC choir and music ministry for two years. Just as he was stepping into the role of Interim Music Director, our worship was shifted to the virtual realm, due to Covid-19. While his time as our music director has not been what any of us expected, Sam has capably and creatively brought us music each week. We will say thank you to Sam during our Zoom worship gathering on Sunday, May 17. Please make plans to be there. We'll schedule a proper in-person thank you and goodbye when it is safe to do so. You may email Sam at [musicdirector@dhpc.org](mailto:musicdirector@dhpc.org) to share your thanks and say goodbye.

**LIVE ONLINE FELLOWSHIP AND ROUNDTABLE SUNDAY SCHOOL****Sunday, May 24, 11 AM, via Zoom**

Every even numbered Sunday join with fellow DHPCers 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. Then Pete McGuire will lead the study portion. Sign in information, including how to call in by landline or smartphone are available [here](#). And [click here for the discussion guide](#) for Roundtable breakout groups.

**VIRTUAL CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL****Sundays; 10AM, via Zoom**

Each week 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](mailto:eacton@dhpc.org)) to learn how to join us!

**VIRTUAL YOUTH FELLOWSHIP****Wednesdays; 8PM, via Zoom**

High school aged youth are invited to join Pastor Elizabeth and Tina McCormick for a weekly online check-in. Each week's conversation is unique and entertaining! Contact Elizabeth ([eacton@dhpc.org](mailto:eacton@dhpc.org)) to join us!

## **VIRTUAL YOUNG ADULT HAPPY HOUR**

### **Thursdays; 7PM, via Zoom**

Looking for some friend and fellowship time as you maintain your social distance? Join us for our first ever DHPC virtual happy hour! Every Thursday at 7:00 hop on Zoom with the link found [here](#) and join us for some much-needed time to decompress. Kids and pets and sweatpants are welcome! Contact Emily Morrell ([emorrell@dhpc.org](mailto:emorrell@dhpc.org)) for more info.

## **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SEEKS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS**

### **Deadline: Wednesday, May 20**

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 2020 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 Scholarship Chair [Letia Henson](#).

## **CHURCH OPERATIONS IN THE TIME OF CORONAVIRUS**

On Tuesday, March 24, DHPC's Session voted to suspend in-person worship until groups of 50+ are encouraged to resume gathering by the CDC, World Health Organization, and city, state, and national government. For more information,

- Gather in real time on Sundays at 11 AM, via Zoom. Each Sunday will offer small group fellowship time and on alternating Sundays there will be Roundtable or worship with communion. [Click here for instructions to join us](#).
- The front office is closed until further notice, and staff are encouraged to work from home.
- We have not stopped caring for one another. Pastoral staff is still eager to walk with you on whatever journey you're taking right now. Please contact [Pastors Shelli](#) and [Elizabeth](#), or Director of Young Adult Ministries, [Emily Morrell](#). Staff voicemail is accessible remotely, please don't be concerned that your call will go unanswered.

## **CONGREGATIONAL CARE IN THE TIME OF PANDEMIC**

Are you interested in helping to support your fellow members? This might look like making phone calls, or delivering food or medicine. Our congregational care needs are changing, and church caregivers are needed to respond. Please reach out to [Pastor Shelli](#) if you are interested in taking part.

Has a need arisen for you, whether related to the Coronavirus or life in general? Please let Pastor Shelli know, so that we can continue to care for one another at this time. You may also use this [form](#) to register needs or ideas for care or congregational life.

## **HOW TO HELP OUR MISSION PARTNERS**

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

## **PRESBYTERIANS FOR A BETTER GEORGIA HATE CRIMES BILL ADVOCACY ALERT**

Georgia is one of only five states without a hate crimes law. The events of recent weeks highlight the danger of allowing violence motivated by hate to go unpunished. Presbyterians for a Better Georgia encourages you to support passage of the Hate Crimes legislation this session by contacting state leadership and your state senator. Every call from a constituent makes a difference—they work for you! PBG has developed a [wonderful resource](#) with guidance about who (and how) to contact, suggestions on what to say, and additional information about the legislation that has already passed the House of Representatives.

## **MERCY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Our friends at Mercy are staying busy trying to keep their community safe. They are in need of food donations, folks to prepare food at home, and in-person volunteers. For the most updated information, please visit their [Facebook page](#). In addition, financial donations can be made [here](#).

## INTOWN COLLABORATIVE MINISTRIES

ICM is spending roughly a year's worth of food money every five weeks. They have seen 200 first-time households visit the Pantry. The need is high and ICM can't fill that need without our help. At the top of their most wanted list is tuna, Spam, Vienna sausages, and canned green veggies. The complete list of wanted items is in the DHPC weekly newsletter. A drop-off table will be outside McIver Hall from 11am - 1pm on Tuesdays and Fridays to allow for contact-free donations. 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](mailto: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

### 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.

### Give online.

[Click this link to give online](#). You may make a one-time gift or set up recurring payments.

**Mail a check to the church** at 1026 Ponce de Leon Ave. NE; Atlanta, GA 30306.

### CHURCH STAFF

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Christian Education: Gigi Muirheid  
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Personnel: Missie Grawart  
Worship: Suzette Stewart  
Property and Administration: Beth Thorn  
  
Clerk of the Session: Vivian Hodo  
Treasurer: Linda Davis

#### *Elders Emeritae:*

Cecile McRae Hooks, Belle Miller McMaster

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