

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude – “The Greatest Show”, DPC Choir

• Call to Worship

God makes a way out of no way.

God sees our tears and turns them into joy.

God makes the impossible possible

and sees the desperate needs of all people.

Come close, healing Lord, and receive our worship.

Invocation

Special Music - “A Million Dreams”, Children’s Ensemble, Carol Battle, Brooks Parker

• Prayer of Confession

Though we find much to boast about, we return again to God,
who sees through our efforts to handle our life on our own.

Hear again the tender invitation to speak plainly before God and one another.

Let us confess our sins to God.

**Why are you so extravagant, O God? We work hard, use our intelligence,
keep our ledgers balanced, accomplish feats daily, care for our families,
and honor our inherited legacies. Is this not enough to earn our place among the favored?
Yet you throw open windows and doors, revealing a vision we do not possess,
where accomplishments don’t count, where tears reap joy, where peace is found in suffering,
where confidence is gained by giving away what is ours to treasure. Show us again what matters.
Forgive our misplaced values, and draw us into your extravagance,
that we, too, might be generous with our love**

Our claim to forgiveness rests entirely in God’s claim on us. Jesus Christ restores us to life.

Say it with joy! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message – Kathy McCarthy

Special Music - “This Is Me”, Carol Battle, soloist

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Isaiah 43:18-21, Liturgist, Bob Gessler

*Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise. The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

Special Music – “The Other Side”, Daniel Brown & Brooks Parker, duet

Scripture: Philippians 3:4b-12

*If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. The Word of the Lord; **Thanks be to God.***

Meditation – Dr. Paul Casner

Special Music – “Never Enough”, Brooks Parker, soloist

• Affirmation of Faith (Inspired by Philippians 3:4-12)

I want to know Christ and the power of his rising; sharing his suffering and conformed to his death. If I pour out my life, to be filled with his Spirit, joy follows suffering and life follows death. Amen.

Giving and Offertory - “Tightrope”, Randy & Zora Mallory, duet

Pastoral Prayer 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.

Special Music - “From Now On”, Tony Pritchett & DPC Choir

• **Benediction**

• **Congregational Reprise**

From now on, these eyes will not be blinded by the light

From now on, what's waited 'til tomorrow starts tonight - it starts tonight

Let this promise in me start like an anthem in my heart

From now on, from now on

And we will come back home, and we will come back home - home again

And we will come back home, and we will come back home - home again

And we will come back home, and we will come back home - home again

The (●) dot in the order of worship invites you to stand as you are able. Text in **bold** indicates unison reading.

****A special thank you** to all our musicians today including our instrumentalists: Tony Prichett (guitars), Randy Mallory (guitars), Stin Fox (bass), Mike Neel (percussion)



April 6 – Book Group, 1:30pm; Logos, 5:30pm, Agape Meal, 6pm - Pulled pork BBQ Sandwiches with Baked Beans and Cole Slaw (SIGN UP on clipboard at the rear of the Sanctuary or phone/email the church by Noon Monday 4/4). Agape, 6:30pm (with a concert from our very own Brooks Parker!!)

April 10 – Palm Sunday Service (Communion), 10:15am

April 12 – Dot New Circle, 10am

April 13 – Book Group, 1:30pm; NO Logos or Agape

April 14 – Maundy Thursday, Soup & Salad Dinner at 6pm followed by 6:30pm Communion Service

April 15 – Good Friday Service, 6:30pm

April 17 – Easter Sunday Service, 10:15am

April 20 – Agape Meal, 6pm, Logos Talent Show, 6:30pm (Adults are invited and encouraged to attend!)

April 21 – Men's Dinner, 5:30pm (Location TBD)

April 24 – Country Music Sunday

April 27 – Agape Meal, 6pm; Logos "Senior Night" (Adults are invited!)

Pastoral Care Team: Chairs - Tina O'Connor and Joy Roark; Members - Lenna Aris, Velma Bartley, Melanie Caskey, Beth Chiles, Ann Cox, Charlene Dodson, Anne Hicks, Diane Ingram, Grace Lewis, Ann Marie McFarland, Betty Polk, Jim White, Ruth White, Jill York

Donelson Presbyterian Church

Sharing the Love of Christ



We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. If you are a guest at Donelson Presbyterian Church, we encourage you to fill out a yellow visitor card which you will find in the pew.

April 3, 2022
Fifth Sunday in Lent

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