# THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY Second Sunday in Ordinary Time The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper January 14, 2018

Hearing assistance devices are available. Please ask a greeter for a receiver.

(\*) indicates the congregation will stand if able

# We Gather in God's Name

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

As human beings we exist in a community of the living and the dead, even when we are not always aware of it.

- Jürgen Moltmann in The Living God

Opening Voluntary

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Eric H. Thiman

Welcome

\*Call to Worship

based on hymn #665, 1 Samuel 3:1-20

- L: As morning dawns, Lord, hear our cry.
- P: "Speak! We are listening"
- L: And God replies,
- P: "I am here!"
- L: Those who seek and the one who is sought are ready for worship.
- P: Then let us sing with joyful voices!

\*Hymn #665

"As Morning Dawns"

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

based on Psalm 5

Let us follow the example of the Psalmist, who says, "Lord, in the morning you hear my voice. In the morning I lay it all out before you."

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

You don't enjoy wickedness, O God.

Arrogant people won't last long in your sight.

You destroy liars.

You despise people who are violent and dishonest.

If we have been wicked or arrogant,

if we have lied, if we have been violent, we are sorry.

If we have enabled or encouraged those who engage in falsehood, violence or self-serving pride, we are sorry.

Even if we have turned a blind eye to those things, or ignored them when we might speak out, we are sorry.

Lord, please lead us in your righteousness and make your way clear before us, so we may see, hear and follow Jesus.

(Time for silent confession)

# \*Assurance of Pardon and Passing the Peace

based on John 1:35-51

- L: Come and see! God's grace is poured out on everyone, God's hope is freely shared in every moment,
- P: Thanks be to God! We are surrounded by God's love and mercy, now and to the very end! Amen!
- L: And as God's beloved, mercy-wrapped children, let us freely share the peace of Christ. May the peace of Christ be with you.
- P: And also with you.



### PARISH LIFE & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

# God's Word Is Proclaimed

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

based on 1 Samuel 1:10

- L: God's Word is revealed to us in Scripture, in preaching and in Jesus, the Word made flesh. The Holy Spirit gives us ears to hear.
- P: Speak, LORD, your servants are listening!
- WORD FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

Blessing

based on 1 John 4:4, 7

Little children, you are from God.... Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God.

(Infants and small children are dismissed to the care of the nursery staff. Older children are invited to remain and worship.)

Old Testament Reading	1 Samuel 3:1-20	(OT p.247)
L: The Word of the Lord P: Thanks be to God		

GOSPEL READING John 1:35-51 (NT p.92) L: The gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ **P: Glory to you, O Lord.** 

Sermon

Rev. Mike Wilson

# We Respond to God's Word

\*Hymn #69

"Here I Am, Lord"

#### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (people read **bold**)

Let us pray for all the earth, the church, and all those in need, saying, God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Let us pray for the world:

for leaders of nations,

that wisdom and integrity will prevail for the good of all people, especially the poor;

for regions torn by conflict,

that peace may reign and living become an enterprise of construction rather than destruction;

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Let us pray for all people of faith:

for the unity of the body of Christ,

that divisions might not turn people away from the church;

for Hindus, Muslims, Buddhists, and Jews,

that wherever prayers are raised up, the one God of all will hear;

for all people who nurture life in the name of a greater good;

God of grace,

### hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our own nation:

for the president and Congress,

the Supreme Court and all judges,

for state governments, city councils, school boards,

and all who have power to make policy,

that all consideration be given

to what is most healthy for people and all life.

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Let us pray for those in need:

for all who are hungry in our nation and world, for those who have no home and no employment, for those who are either unjustly or justly imprisoned, for parents and children who live in fear for any reason, and for all who are in mourning; God of grace, hear our prayer.

For all other concerns of this assembly now spoken aloud or silently . . . [A time of silence is kept during which you may say aloud your individual prayers and petitions.]

God of grace, hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and grant whatever you see that your people need; through Jesus Christ, who prayed,

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.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR GENEROUS GIVING** 

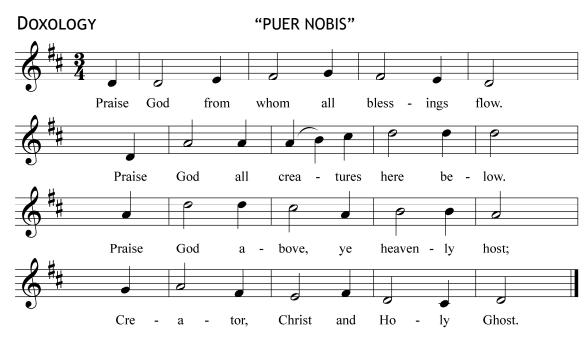
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

God Be In My Head

John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at mine end and at my departing.

- Old English prayer from Sarum Primer



\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (*unison*) based on Acts 19:1-7; Mark 1:4-11

Bless in every way, O Lord, the gifts of the people here given. Enrich the ministries of your people and make us grateful to be able to let go of the things we do not, finally, own. Amen.

# We Seal God's Word Upon Our Hearts

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- L: The Lord be with you.
- P: And also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- P: We lift them to the Lord.
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: It is a good and joyful thing to offer thanks to you, O God, the source of all creation. Your holy energy flows in animals and plants, makes them move, and gives them desire to live. You brought forth the world in love, and in your great love creation finds at last its proper end. And so with the hosts of heaven we join the everlasting hymn of praise: P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. L: You fill our world with glory and light, and yet our mortal eyes cannot behold so bright a truth. Therefore in time you sent us Jesus Christ, your truth made flesh. He lived among us, teaching, healing, and revealing the boundless riches of your grace, that everyone might see and know the power of your love for us. Remembering the life and work of Christ, his ministry among the poor and lost, his death upon the cross of human shame, and the victory revealed by the empty tomb, we offer you our lives in thanks and praise, in unity with Christ our friend and Lord. Send your Holy Spirit on us here and on the gifts of bread and wine we share. Make us, gathered here in love for you, members of the body of our Lord, that we may share the promise of the gospel, one with Christ, and one in ministry to all the world. Through Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, Wonderful God, now and forever. Amen.

ANTHEM DURING COMMUNION

Set Me As a Seal

René Clausen

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm, for love is strong as death. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

- Song of Solomon 8:6-7

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Christ is host of this table. Everyone, without exception, is welcome. We will receive the Lord's Supper by coming forward and dipping a piece of bread into the cup. Please eat as you are served.

# We Bear God's Word Into the World

\*Hymn #450

"Be Thou My Vision"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

L: Let all God's people say, P: Alleluia, Amen!

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Recessional

Gordon Young

## <u>Join us after worship</u>

at the coffee pot in the narthex for interesting conversation and light refreshments. A good way to meet the pastor and make new friends at DPC!

## Children and Worship

Note to Parents of Small Children: The presence of children in worship is a gift to our church. We welcome them, wiggles and all. Families are encouraged to sit

together in worship, at least through the children's message. After that, parents may take younger children (5 and under) to our nursery, staffed by loving caregivers. A greeter can direct you to the nursery.

For effective faith development, we value older children (over 5) experiencing the entire worship service. To help, children's bulletins and activities to keep little hands occupied can be found on the table in the narthex.

If you have questions or ideas for children's ministry, please contact Suzie Lane at suzielane@dpchurch.com.

# <u>Electronic Giving!</u>

Want an easy way to donate to DPC? Just text "**dpchurch offering**" to **73256**. You'll get a link to a secure site that will scan your credit card info. You can even choose what special DPC fund you want to give to. It only takes about a minute!

Thanks for supporting the ministries of Downtown Presbyterian Church!

# Clothes Closet Help!

We maintain a clothes closet to help our homeless and urban poor guests on Saturday

- Men's and Women's long sleeve shirts: all
  sizes
- Men's and Women's sweatshirts: all sizes (hoods preferred)
- Socks for men and women—New Only

Gloves, hats, and scarves

- Sample Size Toiletries
- WINTER COATS
- Men's and Women's jeans all sizes
- Men's and Women's underwear-New Only

morning. We are in need of many items, including:

Perhaps you have some things you haven't worn in a while and can donate. Or maybe you can pick up a few extra items at Target or the drugstore. And remember, your clothing dollars can go a long way at one of Nashville's several Goodwill locations!

# Volunteers Needed for <u>Saturday Breakfast</u>

Every Saturday morning DPC opens its doors to Nashville's homeless and urban poor community to provide hot, nutritious meals in a warm, inviting space.

Volunteers from DPC are welcome EVERY Saturday. We want to enlarge our pool of experienced DPC hosts for those Saturdays when other churches and organizations are sending volunteers.

Go here to sign up for any Saturday and to see who else is coming: https://goo.gl/yQi9wA

We provide complimentary parking for all volunteers.

If you can volunteer please respond to dpcbreakfast@gmail.com.

#### Parking

Parking for Sunday worship is in the Premier lot at 147 4th Ave. N.

You must come down 4th from Church Street. Parking in this lot is complimentary from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Parking vouchers are necessary to exit the lot without having to pay. To get one, just ask one of our greeters.

#### **Our Ministries Last Week**

#### Schedule of Weekly Events

#### <u>Today</u>

Saturday Breakfast Ministry 150 people were served a nutritious, hot breakfast on December 30

11:00 Worship Service Attendance Adults:113, Children:7

## **Visitors and Tourists**

24 vistors came to view the sanctuary during the week.

- Monday, January 15 AA Meeting - Parlor 2 11:30 <u>Tuesday, January 16</u> AA Meeting - Parlor 2 11:30 Bible Study – Parlor 1 12:00 6:00 FA&P, B&H Meeting at Cookery Wednesday, January 17 Thursday, January 18 11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2 Friday, January 19 11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2 Saturday, January 20 8:30 Breakfast served to Nashville's homeless and urban poor Sunday, January 21
- 9:00 JuveNiles Rehearsal
- Adult Choir rehearsal 9:45
- 9:45 Christian Education
- 11:00 Worship – the Sanctuary
- Session Parlor 2 1:00

Our Mission				
Gathering in the heart of Nashville, we are a community of disciples of Jesus Christ. We seek the welfare of the city as we seek the kingdom of God. We are an historic church working to be a welcoming and inclusive congregation. Together we actively share God's grace and love through worship, education and service, and through being an active voice in promoting justice				
and peace in our community and the world.				
<b>Our Values and Ethos</b> We believe that every person is a beloved child of God.				
Our welcome extends to everyone, whatever your economic circumstances, your faith background, your racial or ethnic identity, your sexual orientation or gender identity, or your political affiliations.				
As a diverse community we seek to intentionally embody God's radically inclusive and transformative love for everyone. With love and grace, we are called as a community to grow together as a voice for justice and peace - each as we are, with our unique human stories of joy and struggle.				
SESSION 2017				
Rev. Mike Wilson, Moderator	Betsy Bahn, Clerk	Jeff Koontz, Treasurer		
<u>Class of 2017</u> Tom Byl Michael Arwood Ridley Wills II Claire Armbruster	<u>Class of 2018</u> Cary Gibson Michael Korak	<u>Class of 2019</u> Chuck Cardona Jack Henderson Justin Near		
THE CHURCH STAFF				
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