

THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Trinity Sunday
May 27, 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

The shamrock is a religious symbol. St. Patrick said the leaves represent the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. That's why four leaf clovers are so lucky, you get a bonus Jesus.

— Stephen Colbert

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Psalm Prelude

Craig Phillips

Psalm 40:1 I waited patiently for the Lord

Cantilène

Gabriel Pierné

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

based on John 3:3,5; Romans 11:36

L: Blessed be

The One From Whom,
The One Through Whom and
The One In Whom
we offer our praise!

P: Glory to God forever!

L: Jesus said, the way to see God's dream for the world
is to be born from above by the Spirit.

The way to take part in that dream, says Jesus,
is to be born of water and Spirit.

That gift is available this day.

**P: May we receive God's Spirit, be made whole,
and dwell more deeply in love divine. Amen.**

Pease return to your seats when the music begins

PARISH LIFE & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

God's Word Is Proclaimed

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(sung to the tune of "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing")

Like a river ever flowing,
soothe our hearts to make us whole.
Keep us close and ever knowing;
we abide within your soul.
Let the river firmly guide us;
in your presence let us hear
Soothing waters of your spirit,
safe and wholesome hold us dear.

— Dixie Williamson

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.)*

FIRST READING

Romans 8:12-17

(NT p.158)

L: The Word of the Lord. P: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a

(OT p.1)

L: The Word of the Lord. P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Two Guys and a Bird

Rev. Mike Wilson

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN #286

Breath on Me, Breath of God

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

& THE LORD'S PRAYER (people read **bold**)

based on Romans 8:15-17

Let us offer our prayers, crying, Abba! Father!
knowing that it is God's Spirit bearing witness with our spirit,
that we are children and heirs of God.

Eternal God, we pray for the world,
that through the reconciling love of Christ
our destructive and violent ways may cease,
as you bless your human family with peace.

We pray for the mission of your church,
that empowered by your Spirit
we may proclaim the good news of the age
in the world you so dearly love.

We pray for all who suffer,
that together with Christ in his suffering
we may find healing as he did,
as he was raised and exalted in you.

We pray for your creation,
that as it groans for its redemption
we may care for its well-being
through the power of your life-giving Spirit.

We remember before you those who have died
and pray for those who will die today,
that through your redemption that ends all suffering
they may rest with you eternally.

We offer prayers for all those other people and circumstances
that have moved our hearts and occupied our minds.

[Here you may say aloud your individual prayers and petitions.]

Through Christ, with Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
we praise you, O God,
offering to you that ancient plea:

**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 So Loved the World

John Stainer

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoso believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
For God sent not His Son in to the world to condemn this world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

DOXOLOGY #655 "What Shall I Render to the Lord" (verse 1)

What Shall I ren - der to the Lord; what
shall my of - fering be, for all the gra - cious
ben - e - fits God hath be - stowed on me?

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (unison)

Holy God, your love overflows in the gift of your Spirit.
Bless these gifts that we offer that they may spread your blessing
in a world of hurt and need;
in Christ's name. Amen.

**We Seal God's Word Upon Our Hearts
And Bear It Into the World**

*HYMN #12 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Phoenix Processional

Dan Locklair

We welcome Dr. Wilma Jensen as our guest choir director and organist today. Please extend your regards to her following the Closing Voluntary.

Join us after worship

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.

Sunday Morning Christian Education for All Ages

Starting Sunday, June 3, join us at 9:45 for intergenerational Sunday School. All ages are invited to meet in Parlor 1 for fellowship, Bible study, activities and FOOD. Our first set of scriptures will be:

June 3

Mark 8:27-38 "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

June 10

Ephesians 4:25-5:2 "Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us"

June 17

Romans 12:9-21 "Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good"

If you'd like more information, contact Suzie at suzielane@dpchurch.com.

Salvation Army Spring Festival

Sunday, May 27 - 7:00pm

Cost: FREE

Please join Downtown Presbyterian Church in hosting The Salvation Army for their Spring Festival today, Sunday, May 27th at 7:00pm! The event will include music by the Salvation Army's 30 piece brass band as well as other musical and dance performances. It's open to the public and free of charge, so bring your family and friends for an exciting Memorial Day Weekend Music and Arts Festival!



See you there!



First Saturday Art Crawl is coming up this Saturday, June 2. The crawl is from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and DPC is a popular stop. Volunteers are needed to be hosts. Hosts need to be at the church by 6:00 p.m. Email Michael Arwood (dagmal@aol.com) if you'd like to help out this Saturday.

First Sunday Lunch Meet-up

Join us next Sunday, June 3, right after worship, at the Nashville Farmers' Market for our First Sunday Lunch Meet-up! Get some food from one of the fantastic vendors, then look for friendly faces in the dining area.

Nashville Farmers' Market is at 900 Rosa L. Parks Blvd.



Monroe Harding Community Breakfast

June 14th at Westminster Presbyterian

Monroe Harding invites you to celebrate their 125th anniversary at a Community Fundraising Breakfast on Thursday, June 14th in the Fellowship Hall at Westminster Presbyterian Church. The breakfast will begin at 8am and the short program will feature personal stories from foster parents and youth and provide guests with an opportunity to learn more about Monroe Harding today. There is no charge to attend, but reservations are required.

For more information or to reserve a seat, please email: Samera Zavaro (eszavaro@yahoo.com)

The DPC Website

Have you visited *dpchurch.com* recently? If you haven't you're missing a chance to go deeper into the life of the church and catch up things you might have missed. Our homepage always has our latest news and events including information about small groups, special worship experiences, art shows and concerts, mission opportunities and more.

There are several menu bar selections that open you to the history of the church, staff and elder bios and pictures, worship information, the event calendar, details on our Artist-in-Residence and Composer-in-Residence programs, mission projects, and wedding rental info...just to name a few things.

Of particular interest is the "media" menu. Here you can find audio of Sunday sermons, the latest church bulletin, session minutes and reports, a blog written by various DPC members and friends, and an expanding selection of other video and audio recordings.

The DPC website is dynamic and always changing. And everyone - longtime members *and* people who have never visited - will find something interesting, informative or fun.

Electronic Giving!

Want an easy way to donate to DPC? Just text "dpchurch" 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!

Volunteers Needed for Saturday Breakfast

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.

Clothes Closet Help!

We maintain a clothes closet to help our homeless and urban poor guests on Saturday morning. We are currently in need of the following items.

- 1) JEANS for Men and Women - all sizes
- 2) SOCKS for Men and Women - **New Only**
- 3) UNDERWEAR for Men and Women - **New Only**

Thank you for your support!

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

Saturday Breakfast Ministry

175 people were served a nutritious, hot breakfast on May 19.

11:00 Worship Service Attendance

Adults:71, Children:11

Visitors and Tourists

58 visitors came to view the sanctuary during the week.

Schedule of Weekly Events

Today

7:00 Salvation Army Spring Festival
- Sanctuary

Monday, May 28

Memorial Day - Church Closed

Tuesday, May 29

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2
12:00 Bible Study - Parlor 1

Wednesday, May 30

Thursday, May 31

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Friday, June 1

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Saturday, June 2

8:30 Breakfast served to Nashville's homeless and urban poor

Sunday, June 3

9:30 Adult Choir rehearsal
9:45 Christian Education
11:00 Worship - the Sanctuary

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.

Our Values and Ethos

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 2018

Rev. Mike Wilson, Moderator

Jack Henderson, Clerk

Jeff Koontz, Treasurer

Class of 2018

Cary Gibson
Michael Korak
Jim Dickson

Class of 2019

Chuck Cardona
Jack Henderson
Justin Near

Class of 2020

Dave Coleman
Debra Gentry
Vickie Coffin

THE CHURCH STAFF

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