

**THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**June 10, 2018**

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Please ask a greeter for a receiver.

(\*) indicates the congregation will stand if able

**We Gather in God's Name**

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

"We are what we pretend to be."

— Kurt Vonnegut

**OPENING VOLUNTARY**

Elegy, Op.55, No.3

Alexandre Guilmant

**WELCOME**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Hymn #645

**L:** The Lord is never far away,  
but, in all things, is our ever-present help.

**P:** **God is our peace and joy and blessing.**

**L:** And with a mother's tender hand,  
God gently leads us.

**P:** **Let us sing praise to God -  
all praise and glory!**

**\*HYMN #645**

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Jesus was thought insane and demon-possessed because he dared to challenge the status quo, speaking and acting with boldness and authority. Perhaps we fear something similar should we proclaim our values and beliefs with similar conviction. Let us confess our timidity and open ourselves to the audacious Spirit.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

based on Mark 3:20-35

O fearless Christ,  
we listen attentively to your words,  
but do not repeat them;  
we feel the Gospel's rhythm,  
but do not do a Kingdom dance;  
we gather in your name in this house,  
but leave that name here until next week;  
we want to testify to our salvation,  
but do not wish to be thought insane.

Unbind our tied-up spirits.  
Give us courage.  
Fill our lungs with air to speak and sing,  
and our hearts and minds with words and songs.  
In a world in need of your message, O Christ,  
claim us as your family and commission us as your apostles.

(Time for silent confession)

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING THE PEACE

based on Mark 3:33-35

L: Christ's desire is for us to do God's will  
and be claimed as family.  
And God is persistent  
- never giving up on us when we fall short.  
Knowing that we are surrounded by God's love  
and the Spirit's power,  
let us claim our identities as Christ's sisters and brothers  
bolding saying to one another,  
"May the peace of Christ be with you."

P: And also with you.

*Pease return to your seats when the music begins*

PARISH LIFE & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## God's Word Is Proclaimed

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

based on Mark 3:20-21

Like those who clamored to hear Jesus speak,  
we gather around the Word written,  
eager for the Spirit's illumination that will bring it to life,  
and us into the Kingdom of God.

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

1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20

(NT p.251)

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

SECOND READING

Mark 3:13-35

(OT p.37)

L: The Gospel of our Lord. P: Glory to you, O Lord.

SERMON

Rev. Mike Wilson

## We Respond to God's Word

\*HYMN #756

"O God of Every Nation"

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

Jesus says this is a house of prayer.

God, who is in the midst of us, hears us even before we say a word.

Thus, God is waiting to hear from us and wants to work through our prayers.

As we pray, we will pause for moments of silence.

In those spaces, you are invited to name either aloud or silently  
particular places or people that enter your mind.

When I pray, "Come, come, O Holy Spirit,"  
respond with "hear our prayer."

O God in whose mercy we find refuge and strength,  
we offer our petitions to you.

Guide us by your Spirit that our prayers may serve your will.

Hear our prayers of adoration and thanksgiving...

[*silence*]

Come, come, O Holy Spirit,  
**hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers of longing for God's shalom...

[*silence*]

Come, come, O Holy Spirit,  
**hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers of the needs of the community...

[*silence*]

Come, come, O Holy Spirit,  
**hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers for interpersonal reconciliation...

[*silence*]

Come, come, O Holy Spirit,  
**hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers for the world and for personal struggles  
with temptations and evil...

[*silence*]

Come, come, O Holy Spirit,  
**hear our prayer.**

Hear our prayers for the healing of bodies, minds and spirits...

[*silence*]

Come, come, O Holy Spirit,  
**hear our prayer.**

All these things we pray in the name of Christ Jesus,  
who points us to the saving grace  
and who taught us to pray...

**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

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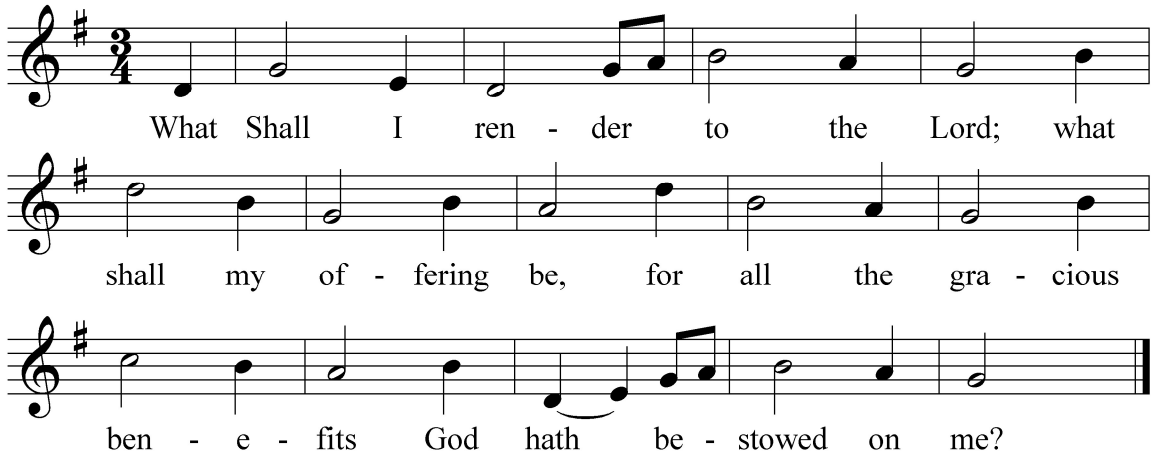
Anton Bruckner

Locus iste a Deo factus est, inaestimabile sacramentum, irreprehensibilis est.

This place was made by God a priceless mystery, it is without reproof.

– *Liber Usualis*: Gradual for the Dedication of a Church

\*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)

based on Hymn #756

O God of every nation - we know that your redemption proceeds from the human hearts, minds and hands that you inspire. May this money allow us to effectively participate in your redeeming work, and we ask that you consecrate it to that purpose. Amen.

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

\*HYMN #542 "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

March, Op.56, No.3

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## **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!

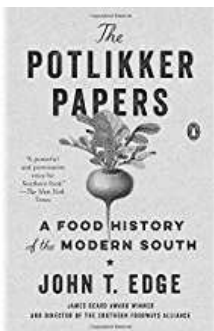
## **Sunday Morning Christian Education for All Ages**

Come join us in Parlor 1 on Sunday mornings at 9:45 for intergenerational Sunday School. Enjoy fellowship, fun, Bible study and food for all ages. Upcoming scriptures:

- June 17 – Romans 12:9-21
- June 24 – NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
- July 1– Mark 5:21-43
- July 8 – Mark 6:1-13

If you'd like more information, contact Suzie at [suzielane@dpchurch.com](mailto:suzielane@dpchurch.com) or 615-406-4915.

## **DPC Book Group**



"The DPC book group will meet this Thursday, June 14, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Denny and Glenda Harris. We will be discussing *The Potlikker Papers: A Food History of the Modern South* by John T. Edge.

Please contact Joel ([joelhdark@gmail.com](mailto:joelhdark@gmail.com)) for more information.

## **Monroe Harding Community Breakfast** **June 14 at Westminster Presbyterian**

Monroe Harding invites you to celebrate their 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary at a Community Fundraising Breakfast on Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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.



## **Summer Worship in the Chapel**

**July 1–September 2**

Starting on Sunday, July 1, and continuing through September 2, we'll gather for Sunday worship in the Chapel. The Chapel allows us to worship with greater intimacy and gives us the opportunity to do some things with liturgy, narrative, music and art that will be more effective in that space.

One of creative elements the Worship & Arts committee will encourage is congregational participation in crafting liturgy - things like the call to worship, prayer of confession, assurance of pardon and prayers of the people. We'll be creating some guides and resources to help you, and maybe even having a workshop or two. More on that will follow soon.

Our worship will more deliberately focus Mark's gospel following a *lectio continua*, or "continuous reading." Normally Pastor Mike and the Worship & Arts committee follow the Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle, as a guide for preaching and our worship. But for our ten weeks in the Chapel, Pastor Mike created a custom lectionary that takes us from Mark 5:21 through Mark 9:29 with almost no omissions. This long section of Mark is almost entirely action with very little sermonizing from Jesus or authorial theologizing. Our broad focus will be on touch, embodiment and movement.

We also have some ideas for participatory and cumulative art projects, drama, movement and more. Again, more info will follow!

The W&A committee is really excited about the possibilities of our summer worship and we hope you all will join us not only with regular attendance but enthusiastic participation.

### **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!

## **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](mailto: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

178 people were served a nutritious, hot breakfast on June 2.

#### 11:00 Worship Service Attendance

Adults:78, Children:8

#### Visitors and Tourists

36 visitors came to view the sanctuary during the week.

### Schedule of Weekly Events

#### Today

#### Monday, June 10

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

#### Tuesday, June 11

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

12:00 Bible Study - Parlor 1

#### Wednesday, June 12

#### Thursday, June 13

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

#### Friday, June 14

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

#### Saturday, June 15

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

#### Sunday, June 16

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

Rev. Mike Wilson, Pastor  
Dena Swoner, Office Manager  
Suzie Lane, Director of Children's Education

Paulino Jarquin, Maintenance Manager  
Dr. William Taylor, Director of Music

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