THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany February 10, 2019

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

"You know when they have a fishing show on TV? They catch the fish and then let it go. They don't want to eat the fish, they just want to make it late for something."

Mitch Hedberg, comedian

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Choral Prelude on Song 13

Healey Willan

Tune taken from Hymn #848

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 138:1,2

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord with all our hearts!

P: Let us sing God's praise in this holy place!

*Hymn #610

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

CALL TO CONFESSION

based on hymn #610

In the Bible, when confronted with the Divine, people are often told, "Don't be afraid." In the face of our fear God offers Jesus, at whose name our fears are charmed and our sorrows cease. Today, let us offer our confession with that confidence.

- L: Jesus says, "Don't be afraid."
- P: But we fear change and loss.
- L: Jesus says, "Don't be afraid."
- P: But we are timid in our witness.
- L: Jesus says, "Don't be afraid."
- P: But what will others think of us?
- L: Jesus says, "Don't be afraid.
- P: But what if we fail?
- L: Jesus says, "Don't be afraid."
- P: But we might run out of money.
- L: Jesus says, "Don't be afraid."
- P: But we doubt out abilities.
- L: Jesus says, "Don't be afraid."
- P: But conflict makes us uncomfortable.
- L: Jesus says, "Don't be afraid."
- P: Help us, Jesus. Release us from our fears, so that we might boldly proclaim the gospel in word and action, and participate in the revelation of God's kingdom.

 Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE AND PASSING THE PEACE based on hymn #610

L: Christ speaks, and listening to his voice the dead receive new life, the mournful waken to rejoice; the poor in heart believe.

Friends, today is a day of resurrection; we have received new life. Rejoice and believe!

And may the peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

*GLORIA PATRI #581 Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Parish Life & Congregational Announcements

God's Word Is Proclaimed

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

O God, by your Holy Spirit tell us what we need to hear and show us what we ought to do to obey Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

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 Isaiah 6:1-8 (OT p.635)

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

SECOND READING Luke 5:1-11 (NT p.62)

L: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Rev. Mike Wilson

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN #170 "You Walk Along Our Shoreline"

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

from The Book of Common Worship (2018)

Let us bring the needs of the church, the world, and all in need, to God's loving care, saying:

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Empower the church throughout the world in its life and witness.

Break down the barriers that divide,

that, united in your truth and love,

the church may confess your name,

share one baptism, sit together at one table,

and serve you in common ministry.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Guide the leaders of nations.

Move them to set aside their fear, greed, and vain ambition.

Inspire them to strive for peace and justice,

that all your children may live secure, free of war and injustice.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Hear the cries of the world's hungry and suffering.

Give us, who consume most of the world's resources,

the will to reorder our lives,

that all may have their rightful share of food, medical care, and shelter,

and so have the necessities of a life of dignity.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Restore among us a love of the earth you have created for our home.

Help us put an end to ravishing its land, air, and waters,

and give us respect for all your creatures,

that, living in harmony with everything you have made,

your whole creation may resound in an anthem of praise.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Renew our nation in the ways of justice and peace.

Guide those who make, administer and adjudicate our laws

to build a society based on trust and respect.

Erase prejudices that oppress;

free us from crime and violence;

guard our youth from the perils of addiction and materialism.

Give all citizens a new vision of a life of harmony.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Strengthen this congregation in its work and worship.

Fill our hears with your self-giving love,

that our voices may speak your praise,

and our lives may conform to the image of your Son.

Nourish us with your word and sacraments

that we may faithfully minister in your name,

and witness your love and grace for all the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Look with compassion on all who suffer.

Support with your love those with incurable or stigmatizing diseases,

those in prison, those denied dignity,

those who live without hope,

those who are homeless or abandoned.

As you have moved toward us in love,

so lead us to be present with them in their suffering,

in the name of Jesus Christ.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Sustain those who need your healing touch,

those in need of comfort or guidance,

and all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit;

not only those we know and love

but also those known only to you,

that they may know the peace and joy of your supporting care.

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

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

And hear us as we pray this prayer, the one Jesus taught...

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 SONG

O Lord, I Will Praise Thee

Gordon Jacob

O Lord, I will praise Thee though Thou wast angry with me, Thine anger is turned away, and Thou comforedst me.

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; He also is become my salvation.

Praise the Lord, call upon His name, declare His doings among the people, make mention that His name is exalted.

Sing unto the Lord for He hath done excellent things, this is known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

- Isaiah 12

*Doxology #606 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (unison)

based on Luke 5:6-11

Holy One, these baskets of money, like nets full of fish, are signs of your gracious provision.

Bless them, so that we might continue our mission to fish

Bless them, so that we might continue our mission to fish for people. We ask this in the name of the one we follow, Jesus. Amen.

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

*HYMN #296 "Go in Grace and Make Disciples"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Prelude on Gelobt sei Gott Healey Willan

Tune taken from Hymn #239

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!

Help Assemble Breakfast Guest Valentine's Gift Bags

Today, following worship, we will need help filling the Valentine's Gift Bags that will be handed out to our Saturday morning breakfast guests!

Anyone wanting to help can come on down to the Fellowship Hall as soon as worship concludes. All the items for the bags will placed around the perimeter of the room.

All you have to do is grab an empty bag, walk around and fill it! Then we can place filled bags in the Browsing Room. That way volunteers can stand by the 5th Ave. door and hand out bags as our guests exit from breakfast.

Bags would be handed out on 2/16/19. Please come to our Saturday breakfast to assist their delivery!

Thanks again for all of your continued support of our Saturday guests. The Outreach Committee believes these gift bags may make their day a little brighter!

New Adult Education Experience! Sundays, February 17 and 24 Exploring the Apocrypha

Does your study Bible have a bunch of strange unfamiliar books between the Old and New Testament? What is all this business about Bel and the Dragon and the "Additions to Esther?" These perhaps unfamiliar books are not part of the Protestant Biblical canon (seven are in the official Roman Catholic canon) but they are included in some Bibles because they can tell us a great deal about events that form the historical backdrop of the New Testament and the Judaism that Jesus was part of.

Scot Robinson will lead this two-part session and will discuss the history of these books, the reasons some of them weren't canonized and what we can learn from them. And of course we will read some of the most interesting and enlightening passages together!

If you have a Bible with the Apocrypha feel free to bring it, but Scot will also provide copies of the verses you'll read so that everyone can follow along. As a bonus, since Purim, the Jewish festival that commemorates the events recorded in the book of Esther, is soon and we will be looking at Esther, Kelli will make a batch of hamantashen pastries for the occasion. Come join us an exciting study of the Apocrypha—and pastry!

Sessions will be at 9:45 in Parlor 2 on February 17 and 24

Congregational and Corporation Meeting - February 24

Notice is hereby given of the Annual Meeting of the Members of the Corporation of The Downtown Presbyterian Church of Nashville to be held in the Fellowship Hall of the Church on Sunday, February 24, 2019 following the 11:00 AM morning worship service for the purpose of (i) receiving the financial report of the Corporation, (ii) electing three (3) Directors to the class of 2021, and (iii) transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. All members of the church are likewise members of the Church corporation.

The congregation will meet at the same time and place to: receive the 2019 church budget and 2018 annual report; and transact such other business under the provisions of G-1.0503 of the Book of Order.

And - perhaps most importantly - a delicious lunch will be served!

The Congregational Meeting on Feb. 24th will be a potluck. Four of us will be bringing soups/chilis and are asking the rest of the congregation to bring sandwiches, side dishes, or desserts. Beverages will be provided.

Coming Up... More New Adult Education Experiences!

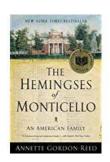
Join un on Sundays March 3 and 10 for two session led by Rev. Sarah Jordan titled **Visual Art, Bodies and Faith** in conjunction with the Vanderbilt Divinity School art show current running in our Browsing Room Gallery.

Sarah, a former DPC field education student, will be discussing the intersection of art, theology, the Bible and lived experience and exploring how the current exhibit fits in. The sessions will meet in Parlor 2 at 9:45 on March 3 and 11.

DPC Book Group

"The DPC book group will have its next meeting on Thursday, March 14, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Samera Zavaro. We will be discussing Annette Gordon-Reed's *The Hemingses at Monticello*.

Contact Joel Dark (joelhdark@gmail.com; be sure to include the "h") for more information."



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.

Nursery Childcare

After the Word For Our Youngest Disciples, parents may take younger children (5 and under) to our nursery, staffed today by Catherine DeSimone.

Children's Ministry Wish List

A wish list for children's ministry is on Amazon at http://a.co/c7zJzAG. If you'd like to contribute snacks or toys, please consult and purchase items from the list. Another need for our youngest children is a play kitchen. It can be brand new or, if used, very clean with all parts working correctly.

Contact Suzie if you'd like to donate a play kitchen or if you have questions about the wish list.

Nursery Position Open

We currently have an opening in our nursery for a caregiver on Sunday mornings. If you know someone who loves children and would like to spend time with them here, send the person's name and contact information to Suzie at suzielane@dpchurch.com. Suzie can answer questions about the position.

Parking

Parking for Sunday worship is in the SP+ garage at 147 4th Ave. N.

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

Our Ministries Last Week Schedule of Weekly Events Saturday Breakfast Ministry **Today** 12:00 Gift Bag Assembly - Fellowship Hall 134 people were served a nutritious, Monday, February 11 hot breakfast on February 2. AA Meeting - Parlor 2 11:30 98 people visited the clothes closet on Tuesday, February 12 February 2. 11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2 12:00 Bible Study - Parlor 1 Wednesday, February 13 11:00 Worship Service Attendance Thursday, February 14 Adults:60, Children:12 11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2 Friday, February 15 11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2 Saturday, February 16 Breakfast served to Nashville's 8:30 homeless and urban poor Sunday, February 17 9:00 JuveNiles Rehearsal Adult Choir Rehearsal 9:45 9:45 Adult Education — Parlor 2 Exploring the Apocrypha

9:45 11:00

1:00

Children's Education - Rm #211

Worship - The Sanctuary Session - Parlor 2

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

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