

THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 30, 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

“Our awareness of God starts where self-sufficiency ends.”

– Harold S. Kushner

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Pastorale

Eric H. Thiman

WELCOME

*HYMN #744

“Arise, Your Light Is Come”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Redeeming God,

how easily we say we would follow you,

but how often we live as if we don't have a clue as to what that means.

We choose to gossip about our friends,

rather than surrounding them with love.

Our competitive nature wills us to win at all costs,

when we could be engaged in costly service.

We demand that which pleases us

and rarely ask what might please others.

Forgive us, Holy One.

Set us free to serve in love and compassion;

help us to feast on the fruit the Spirit offers to us;

put us on the path of faithful discipleship,

as we walk with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

(Time for silent confession)

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE AND PASSING THE PEACE**

L: 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 Holy Spirit,

be present with us now as scripture is read and proclaimed
so that we not only hear your Word, but follow where it leads.

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.

*(Children under age 6 may go with the nursery staff. Children ages 6 and up
are encouraged to remain in the sanctuary.)*

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

(OT p.326)

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

SECOND READING

Luke 9:51-62

(NT p.70)

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 #726**

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Today's prayer response will be

L: Hear us, O God;

P: your mercy is great.

During the prayer, the leader will open a space for you to say aloud your individual prayers.

You may come forward during the prayer to light a candle at the prayer table.

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.

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENEROUS GIVING

OFFERTORY Thy Church, O God, Her Heart to Thee Upraiseth Eric Thiman

Thy Church, O God, her heart to Thee upraiseth,
With her the nation bows before Thy face:
With high thanksgiving, Thee Thy glad church praiseth,
Our strength Thy Spirit, our trust and hope Thy grace.

Unto great honor, glory undeserved,
Hast Thou exalted us, and drawn Thee nigh:
Nor, from Thy judgments, when our feet had swerved,
Didst Thou forsake, nor leave us, Lord most high.

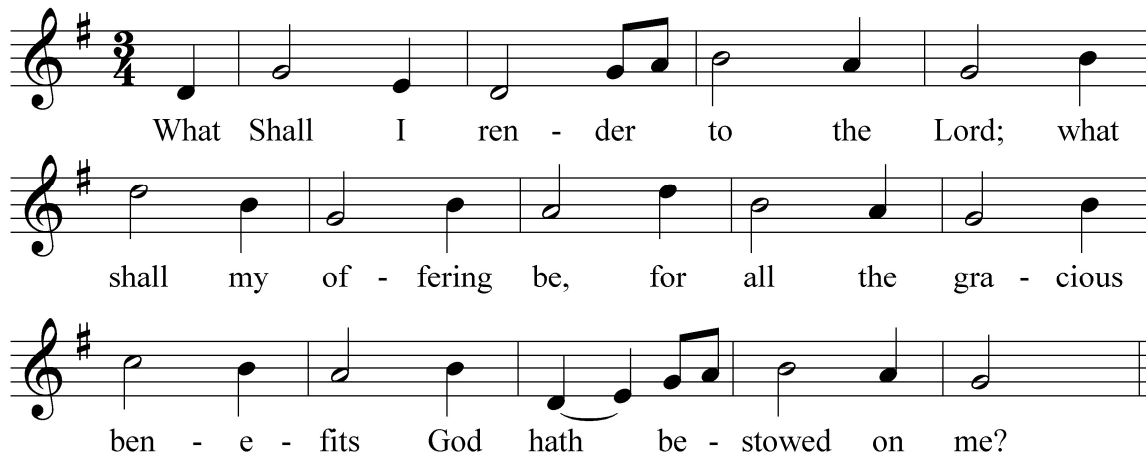
Unto our minds give freedom and uprightness;
Let strengthen and courage lead o'er land and wave,
To our souls' armor grant celestial brightness,
Joy to our hearts, and faith beyond the grave.

Our plenteous nation still in power extending,
Increase our joy, uphold us by Thy Word:
Beauty and wisdom all our ways attending,
Good will to man and peace through Christ our Lord.

— Words adapted by Robert Bridges
from Robert Tailour's version of Psalm 21 (1615)

*DOXOLOGY #655

“What Shall I Render to the Lord” vs.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)

You have entrusted these offerings to be spent by this church
as we seek to follow Jesus.

We pray that your Spirit would guide our leaders
who are tasked with their allocation.

May this church spend this precious treasure
in ways that best participate in the revelation of your kingdom.

Amen.

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

*HYMN #738

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Postlude

Alan Rideout

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!

Nursery Childcare

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

Sunday School for all ages!

Sunday School for all ages will be held **July 7-21** in Parlor 1 from 9:45-10:45am. We will be studying Genesis 1 and 2.

Come for the food, fellowship, learning and fun!

Questions? Contact Suzie @ 615-406-4915 or suzielane@gmail.com.

New Member Inquirer Sessions

If you're interested in becoming a member of DPC or just learning more about the church or being Presbyterian, Pastor Mike will be holding sessions on the following Sundays:

- July 14
- July 21
- July 28
- August 11



Ideally inquirers will attend the first three Sundays with the fourth as a make-up day, if necessary.

This is a great opportunity to explore membership, meet new people and hang out with Mike. And attending the sessions in no way obligates you to actually join the church.

We'll meet at 9:45 in the Morning Brew Lounge (the comfy room by the parking lot door). Coffee and snacks will be provided! So Mike knows how much new member material to order, please let him know you're coming at: mikewilson@dpchurch.com

DPC Nominating Committee **Seeks Your Help**

The 2019 Nominating Committee - Betty McConnell, Paul Coffin, Tom Wills, Justin Near, Chuck Cardona (chair) and Pastor Mike Wilson (ex-officio) - have begun their work identifying potential nominees for ruling elders for the session class of 2022 and at-large members of next year's nominating committee.

DPC members are invited to submit suggestions for potential nominees to replace the outgoing class of 2019: Chuck Cardona, who is serving as chair of the Finance Committee; Jack Henderson, who is serving as clerk of session; and Justin Near who is serving as chair of Christian Education & Evangelism and the Communications Task Force.

How to make a suggestion for our consideration:

Please submit your suggestions by email to Chuck Cardona:
chuck.cardona2@gmail.com

You can also use the suggestion form on the DPC website:
dpchurch.com/elder-nomination-suggestion-form/

The deadline for suggestions is **Thursday, August 1, 2019** and suggestions should include a brief explanation of why you believe that person would be a good ruling elder and member of session. You may also recommend yourself to the committee.

All submissions must be in writing.

Please note that the work of a PC(USA) Nominating Committee is to be held in strict confidence and committee members cannot discuss your suggestions or our deliberations with the congregation, and lobbying on behalf of potential nominees is discouraged.

The Nominating Committee is tasked with nominating individuals in the context of the session as a whole so that the elders in active service represent the diversity of the congregation; create a strong leadership team with a balance of gifts, skills and experience to serve the congregation's various needs; and support our pastor and staff.

Criteria for eligibility:

Those who have been a DPC member for one year and have been active in the life of the congregation.

Elders should be persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit. (Book of Order G-2.0301)

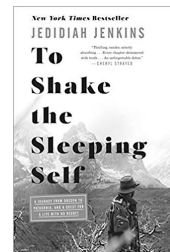
In addition to committee work and administrative responsibilities, in our Presbyterian tradition, ruling elders are also called to:

- equip and renew the people for their task within the church and for their mission in the world
- visit, comfort, and care for the people
- assist in worship
- cultivate their ability to teach the Bible
- strengthen and nurture the faith of the congregation
- encourage the people in worship and service of God

Since the session is responsible for many duties in the church, elders should have some of those abilities to assist in carrying out that work.

Our deep thanks in advance for participating in the life of the church by offering your suggestions and we welcome your prayers as we deliberate and discern.

DPC Book Group: *To Shake the Sleeping Self* by Jedidiah Jenkins



DPC book club meeting is **Thursday, July 11th**, 6pm at the 505. Our host will be Sharon McCrea who recently moved to Nashville with Alliance Bernstein. Sharon has been attending the book club as well as helping out with Art Crawl! Sharon will need to provide the 505 concierge with a list of attendees. So if you plan on coming, please email Sharon @ sharon.mccrea@abglobal.com by the end of the business day of Monday, July 8th. Parking will be available in the DPC lot.

Who's Getting Cranky?!

We hope you are! DPC is doing its own ice cream cranking this year! So we hope several crankers are willing to CRANK IT UP!

When: Sunday, August 4th This will be our FIRST SUNDAY LUNCH DATE but we'll stay "home". Weather permitting we'll take it outside in our court yard alley way, but we can always duck inside if it gets too hot. Email Mary Turner @ mturner2614@gmail.com if you're up for CRANKING.



If you're not cranking, please bring some simple fare to share. Finger sandwiches, salads, & chips would be great. We'll set up a little friendly tasting contest! Get-a-cranking!

Summertime Play Date!



Sunday, July 14, 2 p.m. on! Summer time play date! Come join fellow members & friends at the lakeside home of Conn & Betty McConnell (104 Surrey Hill Point, Hendersonville, 37075).

Weather permitting, we can take a boat ride, paddle board, canoe, swim or just laze around. Please bring appropriate clothing (bathing suit, etc), towels, sunscreen, life jacket if you have one, and a snack. The McConnell's will provide drinks, some BBQ, and chips.

Let's make Betty's day by giving her a rough head count, so please email her at btymcc@aol.com or give her a jingle at 615.513-3646. If weather proves uncooperative folks will get a heads up in service that morning!

OTHER SOCIAL DATES in the works

Saturday, August 24th: Summer time "cottage" dinners.

Sunday, September 29th: Picnic in the park!

Sunday, October 20th: Chili cookoff & Pumpkin Carving Contest!

Meetups With Mike

The Personnel Committee and Pastor Mike would like to invite you to set up an informal one on one (or two) get together with him this summer. Call or email (mikewilson@dpchurch.com) to schedule coffee, a meal - breakfast, lunch or dinner are all possible - a walk in the park, a home visit, or just some time at the church. Let's all get to know Mike better and let him know us!

SAVE THE DATE FOR HABITAT !



We're partnering with Westminster Presbyterian Church to build a Habitat house! Come lend a hand, a hammer, or most importantly help prepare/serve some chow!

We're providing breakfast and lunch for the volunteers on **Saturday, September 7th!**

Feel handy? You can also sign up to help with the build on any Saturday or Sunday in September by following the link in the e-votion.

Feel free to reach out to any member of the Outreach Committee, Samera Zavaro, Faye and Jim Dickson, Leslee Hughes, Erin Bell, and Pam Swoner or just email or call Betty McConnell to signup/have your questions answered: (615) 513-3646 btymcc@aol.com.



*DPC has its very own Little Free Library graciously donated by Faye & Jim Dickson. Please check it out **in the Narthex** and borrow a book (or two)!*

Outreach Committee Meeting

We are having a quick Outreach meeting following worship services on **June 30** in the Fellowship Hall. We will be discussing our plan to help with a Habitat for Humanity build in September and also benevolences and whether we will coordinate visits or schedule Minute for Missions. Please come be a part of Outreach!

First Sunday Lunch Meet-up

First Sunday Lunch Meet-up on **July 7** returns to the Farmer's Market! Time to get some veggies!

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



Art Crawl Saturday, July 6



In the Browsing Room: *Jessica Wohl: The Precious Years*
In the Sanctuary: Aaron Hoke Doenges
Aaron attended Vanderbilt Divinity School where he studied the intersection of religion and the arts. He is currently serving as Artist in Residence with the Nashville Metro Public Health Department.

Interested in learning more about our church's history; meet up with locals and out-of-towners! Then please volunteer at Art Crawl! Contact Michael Arwood (dagmal@aol.com) or Mary Turner (mturner2614@gmail.com).

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.

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 3:00 p.m. Parking vouchers are necessary to exit the garage without having to pay. To get one, just ask one of our greeters.

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!

Our Ministries Last Week

Saturday Breakfast Ministry

198 people were served a nutritious, hot breakfast on June 22.

136 people visited the clothes closet on June 22.

11:00 Worship Service Attendance

Adults:52, Children:8

Schedule of Weekly Events

Today

Monday, July 1

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Tuesday, July 2

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

12:00 Bible Study - Parlor 1

Wednesday, July 3

Thursday, July 4

Independence Day - Church Closed

Friday, July 5

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Saturday, July 6

8:30 Breakfast served to homeless

6:00 ART Crawl

Sunday, July 7

9:30 Adult Choir Rehearsal

9:45 Sunday School for All - Parlor 1

11:00 Worship - The Sanctuary

12:30 First Sunday Lunch Meetup

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 2019

Chuck Cardona
Jack Henderson
Justin Near

Class of 2020

Dave Coleman
Debra Gentry
Vickie Coffin

Class of 2021

Mary Turner
Jim Hoobler
David Maddox

THE CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Mike Wilson, Pastor

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Suzie Lane, Director of Children's Education

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