

THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 23, 2019

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(*) indicates the congregation will stand if able

We Gather in God's Name

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

As we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

— Marianne Williamson

PRELUDE

Aria in F Major

George Frideric Handel

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: With the faithful, as well as the foolish;
with the voiceless, and those who talk too much:

P: we gather to praise our God.

L: With those who find it easy to follow,
with those who stumble along the Way:

**P: we rejoice in Jesus, who makes us whole,
and calls us sisters and brothers.**

L: With all who are heirs to the promises of grace,
with all who share hope with others:

**P: we give thanks to the Spirit of peace,
who cradles us in the arms of hope.**

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN #30

“O God, in a Mysterious Way”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God who listens to us,
we are bound and held captive.
There are those words which chain our hearts to them
- words which shame others.
There are those actions which bind our lives to them
- those fears which grab our hands,
that anger which pushes away those around us.
There are those thoughts which draw us into the shadows,
where we seek to hide from you,
hoping you do not see the lives we lead.
Yet, you refuse to stay away but come to closer to us in every moment,
God who makes us whole.
You would clothe us with grace,
so we might be your people in this world.
You would tear down all that separates us from others,
so we might be one.
You would make us heirs to the promise of life and hope with our Brother,
Jesus the Christ, who comes to heal us and make us your children.
Amen.

(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)

Holy One,

when your prophets speak justice by the Spirit,
the powerless clap their hands.

When your Son declares forgiveness,
those burdened with guilt cry tears of joy.

By the power of your Holy Spirit,
open our ears to your word
and move our hearts to respond in ways that honor you;
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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

Galatians 3:23-29

(NT p.189)

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

SECOND READING

Isaiah 65:1-12

(OT p.695)

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

SERMON

Rev. Mike Wilson

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN #69

"Here I am, Lord"

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Today's prayer response will be

L: God, in your mercy,

P: hear our prayer.

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

As the Hart Panteth

Gordon Hawkins

As the hart panteth after the waterbrooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.

My soul thirsteth for the living God; when shall I come and appear before God?

My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me,

"Where is thy God?"

Why are thou cast down, O my soul, and why are thou disquieted within me?

Hope thou in God, for I shall yet praise Him, Who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

— Anthem text taken from Psalm 42

***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)

Generous God,

you ask that we offer back but a portion of our blessings,
so that others might know of your presence,
your healing, your grace in their lives.

So, in Jesus's name, we present our gifts

and ask you to bless them

and to inspire those entrusted with their use

to use them to bless others

and to help reveal your healing and grace to the world.

Amen.

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

***HYMN #320** "The Church of Christ in Every Age"

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Hornpipe from *Water Music*

G.F. Handel

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.

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!

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.

Sunday School: Conversations

Beginning **June 16th** and continuing throughout the month, DPC will begin a series of new Sunday School classes called Conversations (#dpccversations). Each class will be led by a different member or friend of DPC every week.

Using Luke's parables as a springboard, leaders will talk about the practicality of each parable, how it relates to his/her life, and lead a conversation about the meaning and importance of the parable in the life of the attendees. This is not a heady, theologically heavy class where an instructor talks at you, but rather a place where we can get to know one another more deeply.

Dave and Justin will lead the first class, followed by Jeff on June 23rd and Samera on June 30th. We will take a break in July while Suzie leads a few multi-generational classes, and then come back in August to continue our Conversations. If you are interested in leading a class, contact Dave at dave_four@hotmail.com.

New Member Classes

Are you interested in exploring membership at DPC? Want to learn more about what it means to be a Presbyterian? Pastor Mike will be forming a new member cohort soon. The group usually meets for three Sundays before worship.

Whether you've just started worshipping at DPC or if you've been attending for months (or even years), there will be plenty to talk about. And there's no pressure to join; this is foremost an opportunity for conversation, information and inquiry.

If you're interested in attending or just have some questions — email Mike at mikewilson@dpchurch.com.

Once he knows how many people will be participating, he'll set the dates and place.

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!

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!**

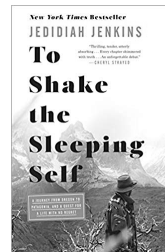
Feel handy? You can also sign up to help with the build on any Saturday or Sunday in September by following the link in the e-votion.

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 sign up/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 and borrow a book (or two)!

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.

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.

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!

Saturday Breakfast Meeting

Those of us who are involved (or want to become involved) in the Saturday breakfast for the homeless and urban poor (AKA The Fishes and Loaves People) will gather in Fellowship Hall for an organizing meeting following the worship service on **Sunday, June 23rd**. All are welcome. We promise to be finished before 2:30, in plenty of time to exit the parking garage.

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

187 people were served a nutritious, hot breakfast on June 15.

91 people visited the clothes closet on June 15.

11:00 Worship Service Attendance

Adults:62, Children:6

Schedule of Weekly Events

Today

Monday, June 24

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Tuesday, June 25

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

12:00 Bible Study - Parlor 1

Wednesday, June 26

Thursday, June 27

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Friday, June 28

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Saturday, June 29

8:30 Breakfast served to homeless

Sunday, June 30

9:30 Adult Choir Rehearsal

9:45 Sunday School - Conversations

9:45 Children's Education - Rm #211

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

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Jack Henderson
Justin Near

Class of 2020

Dave Coleman
Debra Gentry
Vickie Coffin

Class of 2021

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Jim Hoobler
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