

# THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

World Communion Sunday

October 6, 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

One positive thought produces millions of positive vibrations.

-John Coltrane

OPENING VOLUNTARY      Eight Interludes for Organ: No.4      Eric Thiman

#### WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP      based on Lamentations 3; Psalm 137

L: Sing to the Lord,  
    whose mercy is from everlasting to everlasting!

P: **But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are without?**

L: Sing to the Lord, whose faithfulness renews us every morning!

P: **But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are gone?**

L: Sing to the Lord, who has not forgotten the melodies of salvation!

P: **Let us remember the joy of the Lord,  
    and sing a new song together!**

\*HYMN #39      "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Mother of mercy, father of grace:**

**You have called us to one table,  
    but we have pursued our own course.**

**You have promised us the abundance of all creation,  
    but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without.**

*continued*

You have promised us the bread of life itself,  
but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry.  
You have promised us the waters of peace and justice,  
but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty.

And now we are famished too, God of abundance.  
Have mercy on us. Forgive us, again.  
Transform us, at your table, and for your table,  
and send us from this table as servants of your righteousness,  
by the power of your Son. 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.

**\*ASSURANCE RESPONSE #670** "From the Rising of the Sun"  
*see insert*

**PARISH LIFE & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **God's Word Is Proclaimed**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)** based on 1 Timothy 1:5, 10, 14

**Holy God, through Christ Jesus you bring the light of the gospel  
into our lives as grace revealed.**

**Help us to guard this treasure and to share it with others, too,  
so that the faith that has lived in our ancestors and now lives in us  
may come to life in every new generation.**

**We pray with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.  
Amen.**

**WORD FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES**

*(Children under age 6 may go to the nursery. Parents who have not signed  
their child into the nursery today should go with their child.)*

**FIRST READING** Luke 19:41-44

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

SECOND READING

Lamentations 1:1-6

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

SERMON

Rev. Mike Wilson

## We Respond to God's Word

\*HYMN #783

“When We Are Tested”

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

based on Lamentations 1&3; Colossians 1:20; 2 Timothy 1:9-10; Luke 17:5-10

*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.*

*Today's prayer response:*

L: Great is your faithfulness;

P: O God, we hope in you.

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENEROUS GIVING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Harold Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in thy name,  
Two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them:  
Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,  
Then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,  
Alleluya! Alleluya! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make us sacraments of thee,  
That by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.  
Alleluya! Alleluya! We will serve thee faithfully.

— Percy Dearmer

\*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 create more than we could ever hope to return.  
You share more than we could ever hope to deserve.  
And yet, we pray, you would accept these humble gifts.  
May they empower us for the work of witness and service,  
for the sake of justice, and for the sake of peace,  
now and forever. Amen.

**We Seal God's Word Upon Our Hearts**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- L: The Lord be with you.
- P: **And also with you.**
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- P: **We lift them to the Lord.**
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
- P: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**
- L: [*the prayer continues...*]

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels,  
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs,  
and with all the faithful of every time and place,  
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**L: [the prayer continues...]**

Great is the mystery of faith ...

**P: Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

**L: [the prayer continues...]**

### 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.**

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*Christ is host of this table. Everyone, without exception, is welcome. We will receive the Lord's Supper by coming forward and dipping a piece of bread into the cup. Please eat as you are served.*

COMMUNION HYMN #530      One Bread, One Body

ANTHEM DURING COMMUNION      Invitation to Communion      Deborah Govenor

Come to the table, come to the feast.  
Come, there is welcome for the greatest and the least.  
Come for forgiveness, come to confess.  
God's saving power and our unworthiness.

Come to the table, come, eat the bread.  
Christ's body broken, our hungry souls are fed.  
Come to the table, come, drink the wine.  
His cup of blessing, gift of love divine.

*continued*

Come to the table, come one and all.  
Come to remember, come, now, to recall.  
Our dying Savior, our living Lord.  
Our hope in heaven, Christ our great reward.


Come to the table, go then in peace.  
Your spirit quicken, and your faith increase.  
Come to the table, go forth to be.  
Christ's faithful people through eternity.

**\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)**

Gracious God, we offer our thanks,  
for the whole communion of saints' witness to this feast,  
and for the ministry of churches around the world who gather with us today.  
By this broken bread may we each be restored for the work yet to come.  
By this shared cup may we each be claimed  
for the proclamation of your Kingdom.  
At this shared table may we be united as children of your promise,  
children of your word, dying and made new again,  
sent boldly together into the world as servants of your peace.  
Amen.

**We Bear God's Word Into the World**

**\*HYMN #853 "We Are Marching in the Light of God"**



We are march - ing in the light of God, We are march-ing in the light of God.



We are march - ing in the light of God, we are march-ing in-the light of God.



We are march-ing Oo oo We are march-ing in the light of God.



We are march-ing Oo oo We are march-ing in the light of God.

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Three Short Pieces for Organ: Allegro Marziale Everett Titcomb

## Congregational Meeting – Sunday, Oct. 6

There will be a congregational meeting today, immediately after worship, for the sole purpose of electing three ruling elders to the Class of 2022.

Those standing for election are Holly Kellar, Jake Byl, and Erin Bell.

Thank you to the nominating committee for identifying three outstanding candidates.

## First Sunday Lunch Meet-up

First Sunday Lunch Meet-up on **October 6**, returns to the Farmer's Market! Good time for folks to pick up mums!

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



## Sunday School: Conversations

DPC Christian Education is hosting a morning conversation based on the Luke parables! Each Sunday a DPC member or friend will host a conversation.

The host of the class will start the morning with their own impressions, intuitions, experiences, and lessons they gain within a parable.

The goal is to have everyone to join in and be heard and to learn something we individually might not have seen or felt.

It's an easy and fun way to learn more about the Gospel of Luke and to discuss how we all hear the Word through the Bible. Join "Conversations" 9:45 - 10:45 on Sundays!

To learn more or to be a host e-mail Dave Coleman (Dave\_four@hotmail.com)

## Nursery Childcare

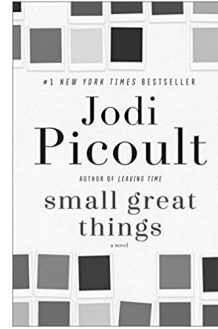
Nursery caregivers today are McKennan Henninger and Catherine DeSimone. If childcare is needed anytime during the service, please see a greeter for assistance.

### DPC Book Group: *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult

The DPC Book Group has chosen its next read!

Please consider joining us in November to discuss it. Book Group starts at 6:30. Place TBD.

Email Joel Dark at [joelhdark@gmail.com](mailto:joelhdark@gmail.com) to get in the book club google group or for more information!



### **OTHER SOCIAL DATES in the works**

*Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>: Chili Cookoff & Pumpkin Carving Contest!*

*Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>: Holiday Decorating and Potluck*

*Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>: 94<sup>th</sup> Annual Waffle Shop!*

### **DOUBLE BABY SHOWER POTLUCK!**

First Sunday Lunch, on **November 3**, will actually be a DOUBLE BABY SHOWER POTLUCK for Dawn & Chris Leonard and Jen & Joel Morley! Both are due November 24! Details forthcoming!

Both have gift registries: Morley's (Target, Pottery Barn, BuyBuy Baby, Amazon); Leonards (Target, BuyBuy Baby, Babylist)



## **Please help DPC make more friends!**

We have something pretty neat here at the Downtown Presbyterian Church and we should share it with the world, right? Social media is a great way to spread the word (and the Word). But unfortunately, due to currently limited "likes" and followers, the DPC page does not show up very high in Facebook searches. We're trying to change that because low Facebook followership means that it's harder for us to reach Nashville visitors and residents who are looking for a place to worship or might be interested in our programs and activities. To improve our search standings, we plan to start doing a better job of posting interesting and relevant content regularly -- without overloading your Facebook feed (we promise).

We are also asking you to help by doing two things. First, please "like" our page at <https://www.facebook.com/downtownpresbyteriannashville/> (if you haven't already) and make a point to visit the page and react to it -- periodically "liking" and commenting on posts. (In Facebook lingo, this is called "engagement" and helps us in the search algorithm.) Next, please invite your Facebook friends, especially those who live in Nashville, to "like" our page as well. (There's a nifty little tool in Facebook that you can use to invite friends to like a page. When you're on our page look to the right under the "Community" heading for "Invite friends to like this page.")

Our Facebook page is like our digital billboard to the world, so we want to get it in front of as many people as possible. Please contact Justin Near ([justinnear@gmail.com](mailto:justinnear@gmail.com)) or Holly Kellar ([holly.kellar@gmail.com](mailto:holly.kellar@gmail.com)) with any questions and thank you for your help!

## **Join DPC's Grant-Writing Team!**

Do you like to write? Do you like asking for money? Do you love DPC? If so, will you please think about joining the Team of Super Friends of DPC in grant-writing? If you have a hankering to help out DPC by joining this group of friends, WE WANT YOU! Please see Chuck Cardona or David Maddox after worship!

## Committee Corner

Come be a part of the teams that guide DPC! All are welcome to come and join the conversations.

### **Upcoming Committee Meetings:**

- ◆ Communications Meeting - **Sunday, October 13**, 9:30am at DPC
- ◆ Building & Finance - **Wednesday, October 23**, 5:00pm at DPC

## 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!

## AMAZON WISH LIST

The Amazon wish list for children's ministry has been updated. If you'd like to make a donation for our children, visit [https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/3JATI74OI3B3V/ref=nav\\_wishlist\\_lists\\_2](https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/3JATI74OI3B3V/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_2) to see what is needed.

Questions? Contact Suzie at [suzielane0@gmail.com](mailto:suzielane0@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 September 26.

106 people visited the clothes closet on September 26.

#### 11:00 Worship Service Attendance

Adults:51, Children:8

### Schedule of Weekly Events

#### Today

- 12:00 Congregational Meeting
- 12:30 First Sunday Lunch Meetup  
- Farmers Market

#### Monday, October 7

- 11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

#### Tuesday, October 8

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

#### Wednesday, October 9

#### Thursday, October 10

- 11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

#### Friday, October 11

#### Saturday, October 12

- 8:30 Breakfast served to homeless
- 11:00 Siloam Clinic Tour
- 6:00 Wedding - Sanctuary

#### Sunday, October 6

- 9:00 JuveNiles Rehearsal
- 9:30 Communications Meeting
- 9:45 Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 9:45 Sunday School: Conversations
- 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 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

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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