

# THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Second Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2020

(\*) indicates the congregation will stand if able

### We Gather in God's Name

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“The victim-God rebukes our theologies and reshapes our understanding of sovereignty, holiness and freedom. This humble God challenges world orders, then and now, in which individuals and nations seek status, glory and honor only by devaluing others.”

— Rev. James Taneti

#### SUMMONS TO WORSHIP

#### WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP #392 “Jesus, We Are Here”  
“Jesu, tawa pano”



1 Je - sus, we are here; Je - sus, we are here; Je - sus,

1 Je - su, ta - wa pa - no; Je - su, ta - wa pa - no; Je - su,



we are here; we are here for you.

ta - wa pa - no; ta - wa pa - no, mu zi - ta re - nyu.

2 Savior,... 3 Teacher,... 4 Spirit,...

SONG OF CONFESSION #427

“Jesus Knows the Inmost Heart”

*Refrain*



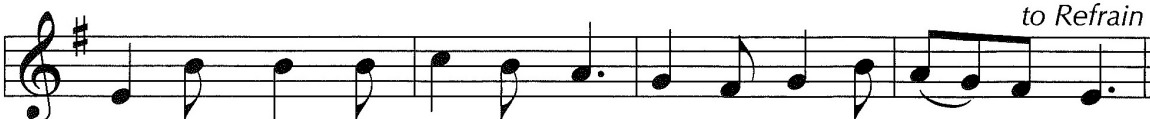
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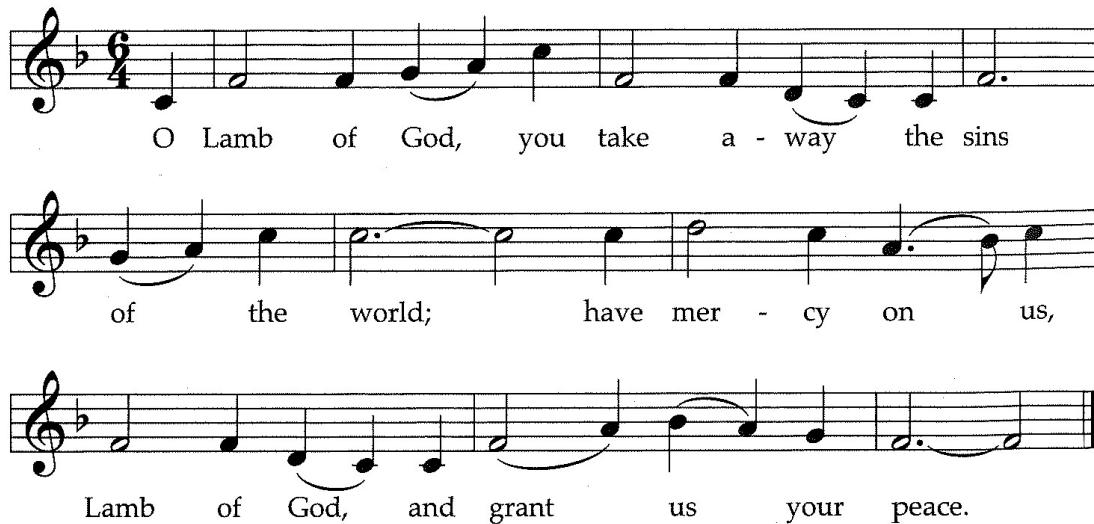
- 1 This our sin - ful hearts re - quire: flame of God's re - fin - ing fire,
- 2 Je - sus knows our deep - est fears, knows the pain of hid - den tears.
- 3 When our lives are in his hand noth - ing can his work with - stand;
- 4 So our faith will be re - stored by the word of Christ our Lord;



work - ing in us day by day till the dross is burned a - way.  
 By his words of love and peace ev - ery heart can find re - lease.  
 his for - give - ness sets us free, saves us for e - ter - ni - ty.  
 for the warmth his love im - parts melts the ver - y hard - est hearts.

(Time for silent confession)

**\*SONG OF ASSURANCE**



O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins  
of the world; have mer - cy on us,  
Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

L: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you;

P: And also with you.

*Please return to your seats when the music begins.*

**PARISH LIFE & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**God's Word Is Proclaimed**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)**

**God of mercy, you promised never to break covenant with us.**

**Amid all the changing words of our generation,  
speak your eternal word that does not change.**

**Then, may we respond to your gracious promises  
with faithful and obedient lives;  
through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**



## INDIVIDUAL PRAYER, ANNOINTING AND CANDLE LIGHTING

*Pastor Mike will be available for individual prayer.*

*Anyone desiring prayer or anointing with oil are invited to come forward.*

*Please wait in the aisle if the station is full.*

*You may also come forward and offer your prayer by lighting a candle.*

### PRAYER SONGS

#### “O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, Hear my prayer.  
When I call, an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O  
Lord, hear my prayer, come and lis - ten to me.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a half note A4, and then a quarter note B4. The second staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note C5. The third staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a quarter note C5. The piece ends with a double bar line.

#### “Wait for the Lord”

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.  
Wait for the Lord: be strong, — take heart!

The musical score is written in treble and bass clefs with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of two systems of music. The first system begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic marking. The second system begins with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic marking. The piece ends with a double bar line.

## OPPORTUNITY FOR GENEROUS GIVING

OFFERTORY

“Blessed”

Lucinda Williams

\*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*)

God of Promise, we dedicate to you not only these gifts, but also ourselves, in deep gratitude – for your call on our lives, your guidance on our journeys, and for blessing us that we may be a blessing to others. Accept what we bring and use it for your own good purposes. In Christ we pray. Amen.

## We Seal God’s Word Upon our Hearts and Bear It Into the World

\*CLOSING SONG

“May the Love of the Lord”



May the love of the Lord rest up - on your soul.



May God’s love dwell in you, through - out ev - ery day.



May God’s coun - te-nance shine up - on you and be gra-cious to you.



May God’s Spir - it be up - on you as you leave this place.

## Nursery Childcare

Nursery caregiver today is Samantha Barclay. If childcare is needed anytime during the service, please see a greeter for assistance.

## Special Offering for Tornado Relief

In the aftermath of the devastating tornadoes, Downtown Presbyterian will take up a special offering to provide much needed assistance for Middle Tennessee. 100% of the proceeds from this offering will go to The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee. This organization serves the counties hardest hit by the storms.

We'll receive the offering separate from our regular offering during worship and you can also text your donation. Just text "dpchurch" to 73256 and scroll to "Tornado Relief."

Thank you for your generosity and continued prayers for all those affected.

## Adult Education Continues

### Seeking Social Justice

Adult Sunday School is currently running a six-week group study **through March 15**. Using materials from PC(USA)'s *Being Reformed* series, DPC Christian Education will host "Seeking Social Justice," designed to inspire participants to think critically about the social, economic and political problems that influence the lives of individuals and our planet.

Each Sunday a DPC member or friend will lead participants through Scripture, prayer, commentary and questions for reflection. For more information, contact Dave Coleman at [dave\\_four@hotmail.com](mailto:dave_four@hotmail.com).

**Please join us in Parlor 2 at 9:45!**

## **Cottage Dinner Hosts Needed for Good Friday, April 10**

It's time to begin planning for Good Friday Cottage Dinners, an annual DPC Lenten tradition.

Participants will gather in homes of church members and friends around 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 10th, with hosts providing the main dish and guests bringing side dishes and desserts. Pastor Mike provides the liturgy for group participation, which can be read before the meal or after.

In the past, we've held dinners in homes, in a park, in the fellowship hall and sometimes people with children prefer to set up an early afternoon/evening dinner. We usually have 5 or 6 hosts. We will post sign up sheets for guests in mid-March.

Claire Armbruster and Jeff Koontz are Cottage Dinner organizers. Please let them know if you're interested in hosting and how many people you can seat (including yourself). Send that information to Claire: [clairearmbruster@gmail.com](mailto:clairearmbruster@gmail.com).



## Congregational Care Corner

Our dear friend **Justin Near** is spreading her wings and preparing to establish a new home. She could use a little help feathering her new nest. We are collecting gift cards to Goodwill, Kroger, Target to help Justin get set-up in her new place. We would like to gift these to Justin on March 15th.

If you have specific items that you would like to give that you feel might be appreciated, please contact Erin Bell. (615)482-0858.

Thank you for helping us support Justin and her family in this transition.

**Scott & David McGinnis** have indicated that rides for Scott would be a big help to them as Scott continues is chemotherapy treatments over the next few month. The needs and times are variable and it would be best to contact Scott directly if you can help out.

Scott McGinnis is about half way through his chemotherapy; he has 1 more scheduled hospitalization at Vanderbilt. The stay is about 5 days in length and which room he'll land in is only known when he arrives! But he would love for DPC folks to stop in for a few minutes to say hello.

Folks can park via valet Monday through Friday; parking on one's own on the weekend is fairly easy though. One simply parks or valets at Vanderbilt's East Garage by entering Medical Center Drive just off 21st Avenue South.

So mark your calendar for a 30-60 minute pop in!  
Scott is expected to stay at Vandy **March 16-23rd**.

**Text or call Scott at 615.870.4305 or email [scottemcginnis@gmail.com](mailto:scottemcginnis@gmail.com) to check his schedule! Magazines and treats are welcome!**



## **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. Sign up through the Mission and Outreach link on our website [www.dpchurch.com](http://www.dpchurch.com).

We provide complimentary parking for all volunteers.

## **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.

Call or email ([mikewilson@dpchurch.com](mailto: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!

## **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!**

## **Half for the Hungry**

Half for the Hungry training has begun and we are dodging rain, wind and temperatures and trying to get training in when we can. If anyone is interested in joining this strange group of people who challenge the weather and get out to get in condition and raise money for the homeless feeding program here at DPC call Jim Dickson at 615 545-1541 or e-mail [deserata1@hotmail.com](mailto:deserata1@hotmail.com) for more information.

## 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

#### Saturday Breakfast Ministry

125 people were served a nutritious, hot breakfast on February 29.

#### 11:00 Worship Service Attendance

Adults:68, Children:8

#### Today's Greeters

Vickie Coffin & Paul Coffin

#### March 15th Greeters

Denny Harris & Glenda Harris

### Schedule of Weekly Events

#### Today

#### Monday, March 9

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

#### Tuesday, March 10

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

#### Wednesday, March 11

5:00 Finance Comm. mtg.—Parlor 1

#### Thursday, March 12

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

#### Friday, March 13

#### Saturday, March 14

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

#### Sunday, March 15

9:45 Children's Education - Rm #211

9:45 Sunday School - Parlor 2

11:00 Worship - The Sanctuary

12:30 Session—Parlor 1

## 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 2020

Rev. Mike Wilson, Moderator

Vickie Coffin, Clerk

Rachel Hayes, Treasurer

#### Class of 2020

Dave Coleman  
Debra Gentry  
Vickie Coffin

#### Class of 2021

Mary Turner  
Jim Hoobler  
David Maddox

#### Class of 2022

Erin Bell  
Holly Kellar  
Jake Byl

### 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

Michael Korak, Facilities Manager

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