

# THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 11, 2021

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

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY      Prelude in Classic Style      Gordon Young

\*CALL TO WORSHIP      based on Ephesians 1:3,5,11,12

L: God blessed us in Christ.

P: God chose us in Christ.

L: God destined us in Christ to be God's children.

P: God called us to be an honor to God's glory  
because we hope in Christ.

ALL: Let us worship God!

\*HYMN #729      "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"  
Amy Finka, cantor

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)      based on Mark 6:14-29

We are bound by fear, O God of grace and glory.

We are not immune to warring madness.

We submit to selfish gladness.

We capitulate to the hosts of evil around us.

Grant us wisdom. Grant us courage.

Strengthen us in the gift of thy salvation

so that we might pursue thy kingdom's goals. Amen.

*(Time for silent confession)*

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING THE PEACE

based on Ephesians 1:3,5,11,12; Hymn #307

L: Remember, we are blessed, we are chosen,  
we are destined, we are called.  
By God's grace we are free,  
free to sing our faith and praise,  
free to love each other as sisters and brothers in Christ.  
Let us show that love now.  
May the peace of Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

*Please greet one another with words of peace and reconciliation.*

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

## \*GLORIA PATRI

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.

## God's Word Is Proclaimed

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. John Crawford

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE VERSE "These Treasured Children"

*Come, Holy Spirit, help us be  
a nurturing community.  
Empower us to realize  
God's kingdom through our children's eyes.*

### OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 10:12-13

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

### NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 22:34-40

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

### SERMON

"Being a Christ Follower"

Rev. John Crawford

## We Respond to God's Word

\*HYMN #753

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

Amy Finka, cantor

### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (people read bold)

God of grace and glory,  
God of those who suffer for righteousness' sake,  
Receive our prayers of hope and healing  
    on behalf of the church and the world.  
Give wisdom to all leaders and people  
    to resist the powers of fear and violence  
    that destroy our common life.  
In the face of injustice, oppression, and brutal power,  
    strengthen our wavering wills to stand in the power of Christ.  
Stir up in us the power to care for your creation,  
    not as resources to be exploited,  
    but as a precious gift to be held in trust  
    as a revelation of your faithfulness.  
Inspire your church to share Christ's love  
    beyond the safety of its walls,  
    and fill us with an infectious joy for sharing your gospel  
    as we welcome your coming reign.  
Bring healing and wholeness to all  
    who are haunted by broken relationships, abuse,  
    illness, or terror and trauma of any kind;  
    restore us in your peace.  
Eternal God, in Christ you gather all things up  
    in heaven and on earth;  
    enfold all those who will be born this day  
    and all those who will die into the joy  
    of your never-ending realm of peace,  
    for our hope is set on Christ as we live to praise his glory. Amen.  
And hear now all the other prayers we offer today,  
    either aloud or in silence.

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

Our final petition we pray together saying:

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.

## COLLECTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

To offer your financial support to the ministry and mission of DPC:

- Place your offering in one of our designated offering locations.
- Use our mobile app by texting “dpchurch” to 73256.
- Visit [www.dpchurch.com](http://www.dpchurch.com) and click "Online and Mobile Giving".

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love Jane Marshall, arr.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,

Master who acts as a slave to them.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love; show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

Neighbors are wealthy and poor, varied in color and race;

neighbors are near us and far away.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love; show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should love;

all these are neighbors to us and you.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love; show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

Loving puts us on our knees, willing to wash others' feet;

this is the way we should live like you.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love; show us how to serve the neighbors  
we have from you.

Tom Colvin

**\*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*)

O God, you give only what is good. We pray that what we have given is good and ask your blessing on what we have surrendered. May this money help us continue our work, making the name of Jesus well-known through our service, worship and witness. Amen.

**We Seal God’s Word Upon Our Hearts  
And Bear It Into the World**

**\*HYMN #697**

“Take My Life”  
Amy Finka, cantor

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

L: And may all God’s people say  
P: Alleluia Amen.

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Chorale Prelude on *They’ll Know We Are Christians*

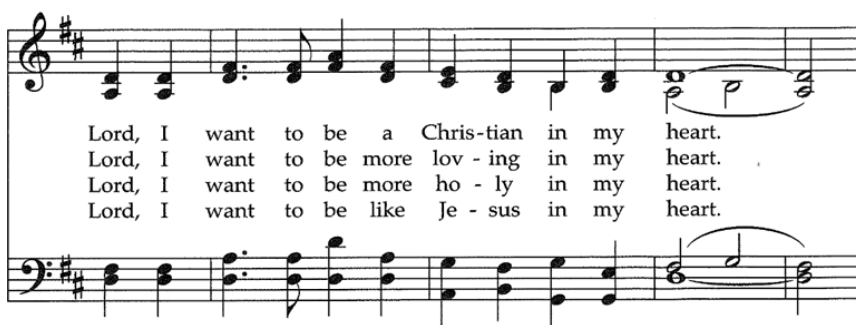
Wilbur Held

***(please remain seated during the closing voluntary)***

## 729 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian



1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;  
 2 Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in my heart, in my heart;  
 3 Lord, I want to be more ho-ly in my heart, in my heart;  
 4 Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in my heart, in my heart;



Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.  
 Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in my heart.  
 Lord, I want to be more ho-ly in my heart.  
 Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in my heart.



In my heart, in my heart, In my heart, in my heart, in my heart,



Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.  
 Lord, I want to be more lov-ing in my heart.  
 Lord, I want to be more ho-ly in my heart.  
 Lord, I want to be like Je-sus in my heart.

Through its recurring phrase, "in my heart," this poignant African American spiritual expresses the desire that our professed faith will not be superficial or hypocritical but will permeate the very center of our being, so that we may truly be the people God calls us to be.

# 753 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis



1 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where  
2 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where  
4 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It



there is ha-tred, let me bring your love. Where  
there's de-spair in life, let me bring hope. Where  
is in par-don-ing that we are par-doned, in



there is in-ju-ry, your par-don, Lord, and  
there is dark-ness, on-ly light, and  
giv-ing of our-selves that we re-ceive, and in



where there's doubt, true faith in you.  
where there's sad-ness, ev-er joy.  
dy-ing that we're born to e-ter-nal life.



3 O, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek so



much to be con-soled as to con-sole, to be



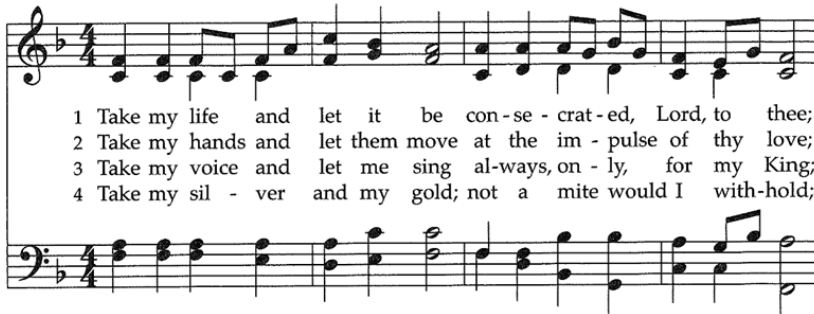
un-der-stood as to un-der-stand, to be



loved as to love with all my soul.

## Take My Life

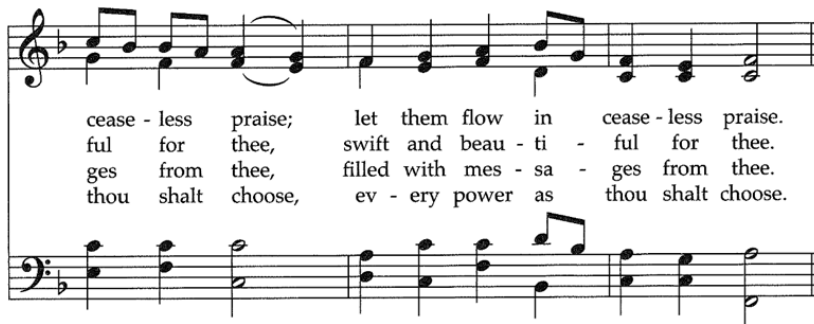
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1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat-ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -  
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.  
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne,  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee,  
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.



## **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**

- Belief in God's love and in Christ's ministry
- The desire to welcome and embrace everyone. No exceptions.
- Service to God, service to our neighbors
- God's gift of creativity

## **SESSION 2021**

### **Class of 2021**

Jim Hoobler  
Mary Turner  
David Maddox

### **Class of 2022**

Erin Bell  
Tom Byl  
Jake Byl

### **Class of 2023**

Tom Wills  
Samera Zavaro  
Leslee Hughes

## **THE CHURCH STAFF**

Dena Swoner, Office Manager  
Paulino Jarquin, Maintenance Manager  
Dr. William Taylor, Director of Music

## **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.