THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost October 3, 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

The congregation will learn a new hymn, "Uyai mose/Come All You People", and refresh an old hymn, "Sizohamba naye/We Will Walk with God", in honor of World Communion Sunday.

OPENING VOLUNTARY "Uyai mose/Come All You People"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all you people, to say grace before a meal.

Come and share the most honest expressions of our humanity.

Around the table we testify to the experience of life;

It is a precious gift we hold in common to be received and given again. Here we acknowledge that we do not and cannot live alone.

Here we are the beneficiaries of kindness.

Come and praise your Maker for the mysteries of grace upon grace!

*HYMN #388 "Uyai mose/Come All You People"

CALL TO CONFESSION (UNISON)

Almighty God, 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. 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

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the waters of peace and justice, but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty. And now we are famished, too. Have mercy on us. Forgive us, again. Transform us, at this table, and for this table, and send us from this table to do justice as your humble servants.

(silent confession)

We pray in the spirit of Your love, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING THE PEACE

L: Hear these words of assurance and good news, that God so loved the world Christ was sent, not to condemn us, but to free us. Beloved, we are called to be free. Let us serve one another humbly therefore, for the entirety of the law is summed up in one word, in this, "Love your neighbor as yourself." In this spirit of love, let us greet one another. 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.

*GI ORIA 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

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 4:1-4

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

SACRED REFLECTION: Florilegia

Rev. Larissa Romero

SERMON

"A World Nourished by Grace" Rev. Larissa Romero

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN #769

"For Everyone Born"

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

God of all the world, we bear the grief, hope, and joy of this life. We uplift all that is written on our hearts in this moment of silence: (moment of silence)

Together we also pray aloud to you for:

(the people offer their prayers aloud)

In gratitude for your grace we pray again the prayer you taught us...

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

Let us now gather our offerings that, through our shared resources, we might have space to co-create lives of mutuality, abundance, and rest.

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 and click "Online and Mobile Giving".

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! 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 #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 Mutuality, we dedicate our offerings to work that looks with reverence to the belovedness of all beings throughout the world. May our resources flow where there are needs to be met. Amen.

We Seal God's Word Upon Our Hearts

THE SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

(Please hold your bread and juice until directed to take it together as community.)

We Bear God's Word Into the World

*HYMN #742 "Sizohamba nage/We Will Walk with God"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

L: May today there be peace within.

May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be.

May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith.

May you use those gifts that you have received,

and pass on the love that has been given to you.

May you be content knowing you are a child of God.

Let this presence settle into your bones, and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love.

It is there for each and every one of us.

And may all God's people say.

P: Alleluia Amen.

Please clap and process to the narthex and down the stairs to Fellowship Hall as the choir sings Sizohamba Naye.

World Communion Sunday

On this World Communion Sunday, we have two ways to honor the practice of nourishing one another in grace:

- 1) Please join us downstairs after worship to help Fishes and Loaves pack brown bags for our homeless and food insecure guests on Saturday mornings.
- 2) Please sign up for a slot to bring a meal (or have one delivered) to the Henderson family as they transition back into working life with their newborn. You can do this by signing up at https://www.TakeThemAMeal.com/NCKZ0043, signing up in the Fellowship Hall, or sending an email to Pastor Larissa at larissaromero@dpchurch.com.

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Come All You People

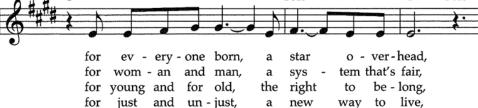




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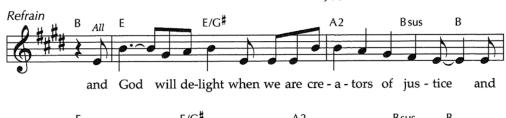
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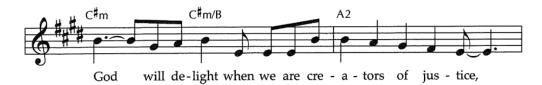
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742 We Will Walk with God

Sizohamba naye



We will walk with God, my broth-ers; we will walk with God. Si - zo - ham - ba na - ye, wo wo wo, si - zo - ham - ba na - ye.



We will walk with God, my sis-ters; we will walk with God. Si - zo - ham - ba na - ye, wo wo wo, si - zo - ham - ba na - ye.



Ngom-hla wen - ja - bu - la,

si - zo-ham - ba na - ye.



Adult Education Series: "Liturgy of the Ordinary"

Denny Harris and Dave Coleman are leading an in-person Adult Sunday School class discussing the book, "Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life". The 6 week series of classes started Sunday, Sept 12th and runs through October 17th. They will meet in the parlor adjoining the fellowship hall. Plan to arrive at 9:45 to prepare a cup of coffee and settle in before the discussion begins at 10am.

We hope to see you for an enlightening time of discussion!

Nursery Care Available for Sunday Worship

We are thankful to have two new nursery caregivers for Sunday mornings. Anna and Abby Takahashi will be providing nursery care during the worship service for children through age 5. The new nursery is located on the 2nd floor and is ready to welcome the youngest of DPC attendees.

Note: Nursery care is available 9:30am - 12:00pm on Sunday mornings.

Current Worship Procedures

We recognize the recent COVID/Delta outbreak has changed the CDC's guidance, even for those who are vaccinated. As such, we have made the following changes to our worship procedures.

- To help encourage everyone to make full use of our wonderful sanctuary, we have roped off rows where we ask you not to sit. We hope this will help encourage more social distancing.
- When sitting in a socially distanced pew, you can remove your mask.
- If you are singing or moving about the sanctuary, we request that you wear a mask.
- If you are not yet vaccinated, we request that you wear a mask any time you are inside the church.
- Nursery workers will wear masks to help protect our youngest church attendees.

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

<u>Class of 2021</u>	<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>
Jim Hoobler	Erin Bell	Tom Wills
Mary Turner	Tom Byl	Samera Zavaro
David Maddox	Jake Byl	Leslee Hughes

THE CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Larissa Romero, Interim Pastor Dena Swoner, Office Manager Paulino Jarquin, Maintenance Manager Dr. William Taylor, Director of Music

<u>Parking</u>

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.