



DAVIDSON COLLEGE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Opening Doors One of the first projects of our Opening Doors capital campaign is to finish the renovation and upgrade to our sanctuary and chapel that we began in the summer of 2021. This means that in order to replace the pews and flooring and finish up painting and woodwork, as well as upgrade our audio and video systems, we will not be using the sanctuary or the chapel from Tuesday, September 13 through Sunday, November 20. All of our services of worship will be in the Congregation House. Please note that early worship temporarily moves to 8:30 a.m. beginning September 11. Thank you to everyone who supported Opening Doors and helped enable this important project.

A Service for The Worship Of God

14th Sunday after Pentecost

September 11, 2022

8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship

Davidson College Presbyterian Church has a mask-optional policy. Mask-optional is for all gatherings and settings, including worship and faith formation classes.

Gathering around the Word

PRELUDE

(8:30) In Christ There Is No East or West ST. PETER
(11:00) Variations on "Amazing Grace" Denis Bedard

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: From the rising of the sun to its setting in the west.

All: God's holy name be praised.

One: On the lips of children, by babies at the breast,

All: God's holy name be praised.

One: In the visions of our elders and the dreaming of our youth,

All: God's holy name be praised.

One: In the banquet halls of heaven and the forgotten corners of the earth,

All: God's holy name be praised.

One: Let all that has life and breath praise the Lord.

All: We praise God's holy name!

*HYMN 35 Praise Ye the Lord LOBE DEN HERREN

*OPENING PRAYER

All: In you, gracious God, the widowed find a caregiver, the orphaned find a parent and the fearful find a friend. In you, the wounded find a healer, the repentant find forgiveness, the burdened find a counselor. In you, the miserly find a beggar, the sad find a laughter-maker, the legalists find a rule-breaker and the exiled find home. In you, Jesus Christ, we meet our maker. In you, we meet our match. And if some need to say, "Help me." And if some need To say, "Save me." And if some need to say, "Hold me." And if some need to say, "Forgive me," then let those things be said now, in confidence, in the silence of our hearts.

A Time for Silent Prayer

One: O Christ, in whose heart is both welcome and warning, say to us, do to us, reveal within us the things that make us whole.

All: And we will wait; and we will praise you. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF LOVE

One: Friends in Christ, what is more needed than love?
Friends in Christ, God pours out love in Jesus. Drink deeply and be thirsty no more.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE Step by Step STEP BY STEP

All sing:

**O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.
O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.
I will seek you in the morning,
and I will learn to walk in your ways.
And step by step you'll lead me,
and I will follow you all of my days.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Come, Holy Spirit. Silence in us any voice but your own. Attune our ears, focus our minds and open our hearts. Enable us to do more than hear. Help us to listen. Strengthen us to follow. Amen.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Jesus Loves Me

JESUS LOVES ME

All sing:

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong.
They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 15: 1-10

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL OFFERING

(11:00) With a Voice of Singing

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this and let it be heard:
Alleluia. Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.
The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia.
O be joyful in God, all ye lands, O sing praise to the honor
of his name, make his praise to the glorious.

SERMON

Reasons to Celebrate

Responding to the Word

(8:30) Baptized in Water

Cynthia Lawing

Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood
of Christ our King; heirs of salvation, trusting the promise,
faithfully now God's praises we sing. Baptized in water, sealed
by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our King; one with
his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praises we
sing. Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the
sign of Christ our King; born of the Spirit, we are God's
children; joyfully now God's praises we sing.

(11:00)*HYMN 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

SPIRIT

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Presentation

Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of
heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's
only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was
buried; he descended to the dead. On the third
day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is
seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will
come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in
the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the**

**communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer Over the Water

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you....

**All: 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.**

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*HYMN 761 Called As Partners in Christ's Service BEECHER

*BENEDICTION

**All: God bless to us our bodies. God bless to us our
souls. God bless to us our lives, that we may live
in love. Amen.**

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

The Trees of the Field
THE TREES OF THE FIELD

All sing:

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;
the mountains and the hills will break forth before
you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the
field will clap, will clap their hands. And all the trees
of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field
will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap
their hands while you go out with joy.**

***POSTLUDE**

(8:30) Rigaudon
(11:00) Finale Jubilante

André Campra
Healey Willan

Leading and Assisting in Worship:

Peter Henry, preaching; John Ryan, Elliott Jones, Davidson College Class of '25 (8:30), Kate Carlson, Davidson College Class of '25 (11:00), liturgists;
Cissi Lyles (8:30) and Susan Manning (11:00), elders;
Sarah Allred, Jane Cain, Geneva Choir (8:30),
Chancel Choir (11:00), Music.

Today we are blessed to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism as we welcome into the Body of Christ Luca Marzouq, son of Gloria Lawyng and Hamed Marzouq, at 8:30 and Abigail Myers, daughter of Aaron and Rachelle Myers, at 11:00 a.m.

Fellowship Pad



Support DCPC



Ordination Celebration Our own Caitlyn Hathaway, our Campus Minister, is getting ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (USA) next Sunday, September 18, at 2:30 in the Congregation House. Please join the Presbytery of Charlotte, the Administration and Personnel Committee and the Campus Ministry Committee on this big day. This is the culmination of a 5 year process of graduate studies, internships, and professional exams. Congratulations, Caitlyn.

Life at DCPC

Prayers for Opening Doors On May 1 members and friends of DCPC brought forward in worship their prayers for the ministries of Opening Doors, our capital campaign of welcoming, connecting and serving. Each Sunday, we will list three of those prayers in the bulletin and we invite you to lift up those prayers at some point during worship today. This week's prayers are:

- Union Theological Seminaries (Richmond and Charlotte)
- Jans Ellithope's Family
- This ministry

Worshipping

While We Are Out From September 11 through November 20, our first service will start at 8:30 a.m. rather than 8:45 a.m. This shift in time will help us insure that we will all be ready for the back-to-back-to-back services in the Congregation House during the renovation of the sanctuary and chapel.

Please let us know you are watching the service today.

Please go to the QR code at each entrance, the bulletin or sign the fellowship pad. If our You Tube or Facebook live streams are not working, you can always listen to the 11:00 service at WDAV.org (89.9) while you wait for us to fix the feed.

Children are always welcome in worship. Children's worship bags and bulletins are available at the entrance.

Childcare for infants through kindergarten is available in room 14 weekly from 8:30 a.m. – Noon. A comfort room is available next door for nursing, napping babies, and hearing the 11 am service on WDAV.

Loving

Organ at Davidson's 17th season begins on September 12 at 7:30 p.m. Rob Dicks, organist from Covenant Presbyterian in Charlotte will present the opening concert. This concert is free in-person and online, visit www.organatdavidson.org for more information

Women's Retreat We will be holding our annual Women's Retreat at William Black Lodge in Montreat the weekend of September 30-October 2. It will be a wonderful weekend of fellowship and bible study. Register on Realm. Contact Charlotte Griffith at chargriff62@gmail.com with questions.



Giving

Season of Peace September 4 – October 2 Each year during the month leading up to World Communion Sunday (Oct. 2) the Global Mission Committee encourages the congregation to pray for peace and to study ways to be more active and intentional peacemakers in the world. Our denomination offers daily devotions that will come directly to your inbox or a version you can download for use. There are other wonderful resources that can be found by going to the QR code. We encourage you to participate in the Season of Peace as together we journey towards peacemaking in our path of discipleship.



Learning

Sunday School for children is at 9:45 a.m. Preschool groups meet on the lower level of the main building: nursery (ages 0-2) room 14 & preschool (ages 3-5/TK) room 15. Elementary classes are on the 2nd floor: K/1st grade room 208, 2nd/3rd grade room 207, and 4th/5th grade room 217. Join a class anytime. No registration required.

Childcare Volunteer & Paid opportunities We are currently seeking a year-round childcare worker for Sunday mornings. Interested in volunteering? We have space for you in the nursery, assisting in Sunday School, preparing intergenerational Bible school for 2023, or helping with a short-term milestone class. Contact Jenny Alexander for additional information.

Wednesday Kids Club is a mid-week opportunity for elementary school children to connect with the church family, learn, and enjoy making music. Does your family attend the 9:45 service? Then this is your “Sunday School.” We meet at 4 p.m. on the playground, snack on the patio, then rotate between Bible and Music classes from 4:30-6 p.m. Register on Realm or by calling the church office. The DCPC bus picks up from Davidson K8; contact Jenny Alexander for details.

Adult Sunday School All Sunday School classes meet Sunday mornings at 9:45 am. If you have any questions contact John Ryan at jryan@dcpc.org.

Connections Class meets in Jetton Hall.

Covenant Class meets in Room 216.

Jubilee Class meets in the Student Center and the Gwen Appleyard Patio.

Maloney Class meets in the Parlor.

The Pines Class meets in the Davidson Room on the Pines campus.

October Adult Sunday Class – The Four Gospel Journey, Revealing the Path of Transformation and Deeping Love. How do we face change? How do we move through suffering? How do we receive joy? How do we mature in service? Join John Ryan in Jetton Hall for the 5 Sundays of October as we use the great map of the four Gospels, just as the Christians used, to guide us on the Christ journey - one of love, growth and transformation. Contact the church office to register.

Fall Saturday Morning Study @ The Pines - In Signs and Wonders: A Beginner’s Guide to the Miracles of Jesus, Amy-Jill Levine explores selected miracles of Jesus in historical and theological context. For each miracle, she discusses not only how past witnesses would have understood the events, but also how today’s readers can draw meaning from Jesus’s words and actions. This class starts on Saturday, October 1, runs for five weeks and meets at 10:30 am in the Davidson Room. Register in Realm or info@dcpc.org.

PEP (Preschool Enrichment Program) Open Enrollment – our after Preschool PEP program is accepting 4's & 5's for the up coming school year. PEP is open to ALL DCPC church families. For more information, contact Marlea Akins, matkins@dcpc.org.

Save the Date – The Beloved Community is organizing a history tour of the black churches of Davidson on Saturday, September 24. Contact the church office to register or Linda Steber for more information at linda.steber@gmail.com.

Youth Group is back! Join us for dinner at 5:30 pm and Youth Group 6-7 pm as we kick-off a new year! We're going to be enjoying some great BBQ, making care packages for horses, getting to know our new small groups, and having some fun. Check dcpcyouth.org for more info!

Serving

The Session of Davidson College Presbyterian Church has called a meeting of the congregation and corporation for Sunday, September 25 at 10:40 in the Congregation House. The purpose of this meeting is to elect elders and deacons for the class of 2025. [Click here](#) for bios or go to www.dcpc.org.

Day of Service – November 5 Save the date for an awesome day of service and fellowship! This year's Co-Leaders are Kristal Courter (kristalcourter@gmail.com) and John Bragg (wakejb@gmail.com). Please reach out to them to share your interest and enthusiasm! We would love to know if you are interested in helping as a project leader or helper. A signup genius for all projects will be available in early October.

Special Guest – Mission Co-Worker Chenoa Stock Chenoa Stock and her son Leandro will be DCPC's guest September 14-16. Chenoa is a PC (USA) Mission Co-Worker serving in Peru. She will be speaking just after our first Wednesday Night dinner. Come and hear her presentation and ask whatever questions you may have.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Wednesday Evenings - September 14th - November 16th

September 14th is TACO NIGHT!

Buffet style dinner starting at 5:45 p.m. in our Congregation House.

Perfect for families with children in Kid's Club or for people attending a Wednesday meeting. Childcare support is available while you finish your meal.

We are a nut free kitchen. Vegetarian options will always be available.

Costs for Dinner:

- **Adults** - \$10.00
- **Children (through 5th Grade)** - \$5.00
- **Under 3 years** - FREE

Family maximums -
(4) \$30.00 / (5+) \$40.00

RSVP on Realm or by calling the church office at 704.892.5641. Reservations MUST BE MADE by Tuesday, September 13th, at noon.



Yoga

LED BY LI HOGAN

MONDAY WEEKLY STARTING
SEPTEMBER 26 - OCTOBER 31

1:00 - 1:50 PM ~
ROOM 216

COST: \$5.00 PER CLASS

ALL LEVELS WELCOME!
BRING 2 BLOCKS, STRAPS
AND A MAT.



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Davidson College Presbyterian Church is a welcoming, affirming, and inclusive faith community where all are one in Christ. We are a Matthew 25, Earth Care and Stephen Ministry congregation on the corner of campus and community. Our congregation celebrates partnerships in Christ with the Sigona Presbyterian Church in Kikuyu, Kenya; and the Kilambe communities in Jinotega, Nicaragua; and Blythe Elementary School in Huntersville, NC. Together we seek to grow in witnessing to Christ in a complex world and to learn more about how to respond as disciples to the great needs of the world. Our sanctuary stands on lands once occupied by the indigenous communities of the Catawba people and our first worship space was built with bricks made by enslaved people. We remember them to God as we honor and recognize them in worship.