



DAVIDSON COLLEGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

5th Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Today is the fifth Sunday of Easter. Many people think Easter is a day (and it is) but it is also a season, from Easter Sunday until Pentecost Sunday. Worshiping communities that recognize the season often sing more alleluias, include more prayers of praise, and emphasize the power of the resurrection of Jesus.

The banners in the Sanctuary represent our international partnerships with the Sigona Presbyterian Church in Kenya and the Kilambe communities in Nicaragua. An identical banner is in their worship spaces. Learn more about our partnerships at our website or use this QR code.

Prelude (8:45)	Poor Wayfaring Stranger	Lin Marsh
	Jim Shaw, soloist	
(11:00)	Easter Hymn	Michael Bedford

***Call to Worship**

One: In the beginning before time, before people, before the world began,

All: God was.

One: Here and now, among us, beside us, enlisting the people of earth for the purposes of heaven,

All: God is.

One: In the future, when we have turned to dust and all we know has found its fulfillment,

All: God will be.

*Hymn 32	I Sing the Mighty Power of God	ELLACOMBE
----------	--------------------------------	-----------

***Prayer of Praise**

All: Holy God, your mercy is over all your works, and in the web of life each creature has its role and place. We praise you for ocelot and owl, cactus and kelp, lichen and whale; we honor you for whirlwind and lava, tide and topsoil, cliff and marsh. Give us hearts and minds eager to care for your planet, humility to recognize all creatures as your beloved ones, justice to share the resources of the earth with all its inhabitants, and love not limited by our ignorance. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who unifies what is far off and what is near, and in whom, by grace and the working of your Holy Spirit, all things hold together. Amen.

Please continue your prayers in silence.

*Song of Praise	Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks	ALLELUIA NO. 1
-----------------	---------------------------------	----------------

All Sing:

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

***Passing of the Peace**

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

All: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission	Hearts, Hands and Voices	Worship Committee
--------------------	--------------------------	-------------------

HEARING THE WORD

Use this QR code to fill out the online friendship pad.



Prayer for Illumination

All: Creator God, we come to you having heard creation groaning in travail. Speak to us through your holy word that with insight and compassion we may care for all creation. Amen.

Time with Children

Musical Offering Beautiful Savior F. Melius Christiansen
Kelli Brinson, soloist
For text, see Hymn 630.

Scripture John 15:1-17

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Love in the Garden Peter Henry

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn 713 (11:00) Touch the Earth Lightly TENDERNESS

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

One: Our father who art in heaven

All: You are also at home in the air, soil, forests, and oceans

One: Hallowed be your name

All: By the care we take of your creation

One: Your kingdom come

All: All that you see is good

One: Your will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven.

All: Your will to till and care

One: Give us this day our daily bread

All: That all may have sufficient to live life in fullness.

One: Forgive us our trespasses

All: Our greed, our exploitation, our lack of concern for other species and for future generations

One: As we forgive those who trespass against us

All: By reconciliation with justice and peace

One: Lead us not into temptation

All: The temptation to equate dominion with exploitation

One: And deliver us from evil

All: The evil of destroying your gift of creation

One: For yours is the kingdom

All: Yours, Lord, not ours

One: The power and the glory

All: In the cross and resurrection

One: For ever and ever

All: You are the beginning and you are the end. Amen. So be it.

Please use this QR code to make an online donation.



If you are interested in learning more about our technology ministries, please contact David Brinson (dbrinson@dcpc.org). If you are able to operate a mouse or a joystick, you would be perfect. You can sign up by using this link or the QR code below.



Offertory (8:45) Touch the Earth Lightly Murray/Gibson
For text, see hymn 713
(11:00) I Know That My Redeemer Liveth G.F. Handel
Dawn Blackwell, soloist

*Doxology Doxology LASS UNS ERFREUEN

All Sing:

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*Prayer of Dedication

**BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD
INTO THE WORLD**

*Hymn 20 All Things Bright and Beautiful DIX

*Benediction A Gaelic Blessing
One: Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you. Deep peace of the gentle night to you. Moon and stars pour their healing light on you. Deep peace of Christ, of Christ the light of the world to you. Deep peace of Christ to you. Amen.

*Postlude Ellacombe Graham Ross

Worship Leaders
Preacher – Peter Henry
Liturgists – Van Lear Logan and Gordon Peck (8:45); Audri Baker, Gordon Clark and Matthew Merrell (11:00)
Musicians – David Brinson, Sarah Allred, Geneva Choir (8:45), and Chancel Choir (11:00)
Technology – Bill Hatfield and Kline Pepper (8:45), Brad and Trish Jones (11:00), and Ben Slay

DAVIDSON COLLEGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

[A congregation of the Presbyterian Church \(U.S.A.\)](#)

www.dcpcc.org



Like us on Facebook:
@dcpreschurch

P.O. Box 337
100 N. Main Street,
Davidson, NC 28036
704-892-5641
info@dcpcc.org



Follow Us on Instagram:
@dcpreschurch

STAFF

Pastor	Peter Henry	phenry@dcpcc.org
Associate Pastors	Robert Alexander	ralexander@dcpcc.org
	John Ryan	jryan@dcpcc.org
Campus Minister	Caitlyn Zold	czold@dcpcc.org
Parish Associate	Deborah Conner	dconner@dcpcc.org
Director of Music	David Brinson	dbrinson@dcpcc.org
Associate Director of Music	Sarah Allred	sallred@dcpcc.org
Staff Associate for Youth	Matt Wiggins	mwiggins@dcpcc.org
Staff Associate for Children	Jenny Alexander	jalexander@dcpcc.org
Preschool Director	Kristin Clark	kclark@dcpcc.org
Director of Membership and Communications	Stephanie Malushizky	smalushizky@dcpcc.org
Church Administrator	Harriett Rosebrough	hrosebrough@dcpcc.org
Administrative Assistant	Rhonda Boggs	rboggs@dcpcc.org
Administrative Assistant	Mariëtte Levert	mlevert@dcpcc.org
Bookkeeper	Trish Jones	pjones@dcpcc.org
Custodian	Peggy Tilley	ptilley@dcpcc.org

Davidson College Presbyterian Church is part of the [PC\(USA\)](#). As a member of the [Covenant Network of Presbyterians](#), we are 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.

Children in Worship

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

Childcare Care for infants through kindergarten is available in room 14 weekly from 8:30 am – Noon. A comfort room is available in Room 15 for nursing, napping babies, and hearing the 11 am service on WDAV.

Hearing Assistance Devices

Our devices are available in baskets at each entrance to the sanctuary. Each receiver pack has one of two cords: a simple in-ear piece and a T-Coil neck loop. If you need assistance, please see a worship leader.

Pew Cushions

A limited number of pew cushions are available for worshipers with back issues in the narthex.

Narthex Bathrooms

The bathrooms in the narthex (the entry way from the campus, at the back of the sanctuary) are all-gender bathrooms.