



DAVIDSON COLLEGE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Service for The Worship Of God

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2023

8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

All bulletin art in Lent comes from the Presbyterian Women's year-long study of Sabbath. Each picture comes from the booklet that the PW circles are using.



Gathering around the Word

****Please rise in body or in spirit.***

PRELUDE

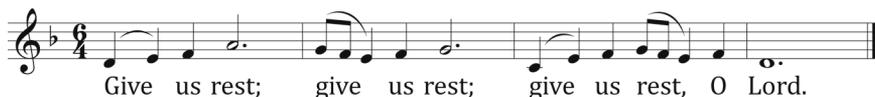
(8:45) Trio on "Humbly We Adore You" Randolph Currie

(11:00) Shades of "Forest Green" Tim Waugh

Tower Ringers

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Hymn 467 Give Us Light

Please join the choir in singing. The choir will sing it one time and then you can join them in singing four more times.



***HYMN 789** Jesus, Savior, Lord Now to You I Come
Sing refrain when invited.

***OPENING PRAYER**

**All: Holy One, Creator of the stars and seas,
your steadfast love is shown to every living
thing; your word calls forth countless worlds
and souls; your law revives and refreshes. Help
us to continue to recognize our role in your
creation and your call to rest. Help us to still our
busy lives.**

A Time for Silent Prayer

***DECLARATION OF LOVE**

One: Friends in Christ, rest in the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ, God welcomes the weary soul.

All: Thanks be to God!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: Recreated by the grace of God, we live in peace with God and one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

WELCOME

Hearing the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: Discerner of hearts, you look beneath our outward appearance and see your image in each of us. Banish in us the blindness that prevents us from recognizing truth, so we may see the world through your eyes and with the compassion of Jesus Christ who redeems us. Amen.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

(11:00) MUSICAL OFFERING Amazing Grace John Rutter
 Sydney Harris, harp
 (See hymn 649 for text.)

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 13:10-17

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

John Ryan

Responding to the Word

TIME OF REFLECTION

Each Sunday of Lent there will be a time of silence (8:45) or music (11:00) following the sermon. This time is meant to be an opportunity for you to invite the Holy Spirit to guide you in how you might respond, in thought, word or deed, to the Word read, proclaimed and sung in worship. You can use the blank page of the bulletin, at the back, to jot down your thoughts or doodle in prayer.

(11:00) *HYMN 796 We Come to You for Healing, Lord

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERING

(8:45) I Have Longed for Thy Saving Health, O Lord

I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord; William Byrd
Thy law is my delight, O Lord.
O let my soul live and it shall praise Thee,
and Thy judgements shall help me.

(11:00) Trio Sonata in G Minor G.P. Telemann
I. Soave ma non Adagio
III. Largo

Greta Munger, oboe; Linda Dumizo, flute; Rosemary Klein, piano

*DOXOLOGY Gift of Love

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Christ all people here be low.

Praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;

Praise Tri-une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***Bearing and Following the
Word into the World***

*HYMN 645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

*BENEDICTION

One: May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind always be at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
and rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again, may God hold you in the
palm of God's hand.

*POSTLUDE Aus der Tiefe/Heinlein
 Christopher Tambling

Leading and Assisting in Worship:
John Ryan, preacher; Peter Henry, liturgist;
Sarah Allred, David Brinson and Geneva Choir (8:45)
and Chancel Choir (11:00)

Life at DCPC

Staying Safe Mecklenburg County has returned to the low level of COVID 19. The DCPC medical advisory team recommends staying up to date with COVID 19 vaccinations, including the most recent bivalent vaccines.

Worshipping

Coffee Coffee is available after every service on Sundays. During these winter months, it will be in the entryway, near the elevator and ramp door. In warmer months it will be on the Gwen Appleyard Patio. Come join us for fellowship, friends and Summit coffee.

Please let us know you are worshipping. Sign the fellowship pad or go to the QR code in the bulletin or at each entrance.

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.

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

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

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

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

Lingle Chapel Our chapel is open 24 hours a day for those who seek stillness.

Learning

Sunday School for children Children’s classes are 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.

5th Graders 5th graders are nearing the end of elementary school years. The coming year will bring much growth and change mentally, emotionally, and physically. At DCPC, we offer a workshop devoted to discussing these changes in the light of faith. Created in God’s Image: Faith & Sexuality class is offered Saturday March 25. Contact Jenny Alexander for

additional information. Register on Realm or by calling the church office.

Adult Sunday School Room Changes – During Lent the Connections will meet in Room 118. Presbyterians, Slavery, Jim Crow and Civil Rights will meet in Jetton Hall.

Presbyterians, Slavery, Jim Crow and Civil Rights The 2022 General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) encouraged members to learn more about the relationship between Presbyterians and our country's struggle with racism, both nationally and locally. Lyn Batty, Peter Henry, Heather McKee and Bill Strong will be leading just such a class Sundays in Lent at 9:45: March 19 and March 26. This class will meet in Jetton Hall.

Palestine and Israel Peter Henry and John Ryan are hosting a Lenten study of *We Belong to the Land*, by Father Elias Chacour. Thursdays in Lent, 12:30—1:30 p.m., Zoom and in-person. Contact John (jryan@dcpc.org) to get your free copy of the book. Join us as we learn about the history of the struggles for peace in what we often call the Holy Lands.

Youth Group Youth Group is happening tonight 5:30 - 7 pm in the Congregation House. 6th & 7th graders, plus high schoolers, are wrapping up Youth Sunday preparation, while 8th graders are continuing Confirmation. Don't forget that Youth Sunday is next Sunday at 9:45 and 11 am services!

Lenten Studies - Savior, What Does the Bible Say About the Cross? This class meets on Saturday morning at 10:30 am in the Davidson Room on The Pines campus. This study is open to all DCPC members.

From Languishing to Flourishing: Walking with Gen Z at Home and at Church Join us for a special 2-part Sunday School taking place on March 12 & 19, 9:45 am. We meet in room 118, where participants will consider recent data about the mental health crisis that Gen Z (13-25 year olds) is experiencing.

April 1st DCPC Conversations Register today for the next DCPC conversations, Faith and Politics: Divided State of America, with this QR code!



Davidson College warmly invite you to this month's event

What: Religious Views and Economic Life panel discussion

When: Monday, March 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Where: C. Shaw Smith 900 Room, Alvarez College Union

Who: Douglas Hicks, President and Professor of Religious Studies, Jaya Jha, Boone Assistant Professor of Economics, and Clark Ross, Frontis W. Johnston Professor of Economics

Loving

Lunch & Learn with Liz Clasen-Kelly Sunday, March 19 at Noon in our Congregation House. Come have a discussion with **Liz Clasen-Kelly**, who serves as the **CEO of Roof Above**, NC's most comprehensive homeless service provider created through the merger of Men's Shelter of Charlotte and Urban Ministry Center. Lunch is free but donations to offset costs will be accepted. Please sign up and let us know if you will come to lunch so that we will know how much food to prepare. All are welcome.



Free Concert "Considering Matthew Shepard" by Craig Hella Johnson, Presented by the Davidson College Choirs and Chamber Orchestra, Friday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. The modern-day passion, Considering Matthew Shepard, is a choral masterpiece that explores the life and legacy of an ordinary boy and a crime that shocked the world. Twenty-five years ago, Matthew Shepard was kidnapped and killed after attending an LGBTQ meeting. Craig Hella Johnson's work encompasses a broad range of musical styles texts. The story is soul-shattering and remind us that the flame of love is ever-present.

Presbyterian Women Birthday Brunch All women of the Church are invited to this annual PW event. It will be held on Tuesday, March 28 from 9:30am-11:30am in the

Congregation House. Complimentary brunch will be provided. Three Circle members will be awarded an Honorary Life membership and a speaker from La Escuelita preschool in Davidson will share about their work. RSVP not required but appreciated. Click on QR code or contact the church office at 704-892-5641.



Empty Tomb 5k Walk/Run Join us Easter Sunday, April 9th, 6:00 p.m. Meet at the Town of Davidson Pump House; between Davidson K-8 and the Randy Kincaid Greenway.

Serving

Room in the Inn We need your help to finish out the Room in the Inn program this season. Please go to the QR code and sign up. There are a variety of positions open. MOST IMPORTANTLY - we still NEED overnight hosts on March 17. This is an important program that relies exclusively on volunteers to make it happen. We still need your help to get through the final sessions of this season. Contact Jane Campbell at usnpao@gmail.com with questions.



Elders and Deacons As a Presbyterian congregation, DCPC is led by servant leaders. They are our elders and deacons. Your Nominating Committee is seeking nominations for the next class of elders and deacons. Might that be you? Or someone you know and respect at DCPC? Send names to Rhonda Boggs (rboggs@dcpc.org) in the office or to James Combs, chair of the Nominating Committee, at jamescombs1967@yahoo.com.

Support DCPC



Fellowship Pad



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Costs for Dinner:

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

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

Menu for March 22nd - Lasagna with Salad, Garlic Bread - Dessert!

Buffet-style dinner
5:45 p.m.
Congregation House



Registration is open for Faith Express

*Sat. 6/10 & Sun. 6/11
4 pm-7 pm*

*All Aboard For
Intergenerational
Bible School*



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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.