



DAVIDSON COLLEGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 12, 2023

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

The banners in the Sanctuary were made by DCPC members using designs that correspond to each of the confessions of faith in our PC(USA) Book of Confessions. For more about those banners and confessions, use the QR code below or go to the website for Christ Presbyterian Church of Canton, OH.



The banner in the Chapel represents our international partnership with the Sigona Presbyterian Church in Kenya. An identical banner is in their worship space in Kikuyu, Kenya.



Prelude (8:45) (11)	We Become New Elsewhere Dem Bones Children's Choir	Johann Pachelbel Spiritual
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***Call to Worship**

One: Whether we stride in or drag our feet,

All: God welcomes us here.

One: Whether we hold our heads up high or hang them, humbled,

All: God welcomes us here.

One: With hearts calm or racing with fear,

All: God welcomes us here. God always welcomes us here.

***Hymn 353** My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less **SOLID ROCK**

***Opening Prayer**

One: God of hope,

All: we praise you.

Please continue your prayers in silence.

***Declaration of Love**

One: Hear the Good News: as hard as the world can be sometimes, the hope we have in God is soothing. God's love is eternal and for you.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Song of Praise** Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines **GLORY TO GOD**

All: Glory to God whose goodness shines on me

and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me.

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, in now and ever shall be Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, in now and ever shall be Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

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

All: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

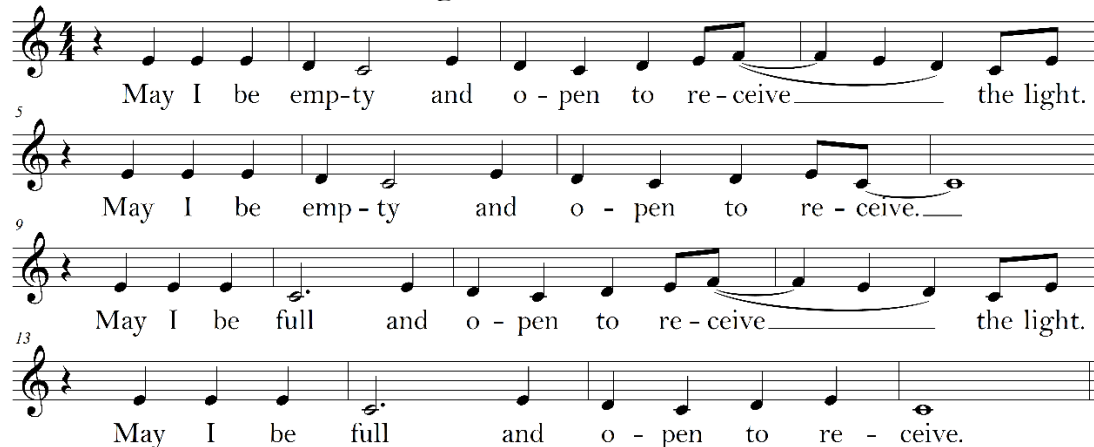
Our Prayer for comes to use from the Jewish tradition, and we have received permission from the composer to sing it in worship.

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



HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination May I Be Empty Batya Levine
Sing three times.



5 May I be emp-ty and o - pen to re - ceive the light.

9 May I be emp - ty and o - pen to re - ceive.

13 May I be full and o - pen to re - ceive the light.

May I be full and o - pen to re - ceive.

Time with Children

Anthem (11:00) Steal Away Nicholas White
See hymn 358 for text.

Scripture 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Sermon All the Light We Can See Peter J. M. Henry

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Hymn 625 (11:00) How Great Thou Art Swedish Folk Melody
Verse 1: All
Refrain: All
Verse 2: Low Voices (choir and congregational voices)
Verse 3: High Voices (choir and congregational voices)
Verse 4: All

Prayer of the People and Lord's Prayer

One: Holy Spirit,

All: help us breathe.

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.**

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Offering
(8:45) Gift of Love Hal Hopson
See hymn 693 for text.

(11:00) We Become New Elsewhere Johann Pachelbel

*Doxology We Praise You, O God KRESMER

**All: We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name; glad praises we sing.**

*Prayer of Dedication

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*Hymn 357 The Days Are Surely Coming LLANGLOFFAN

*Benediction

*Benediction Response Amen African American
All: Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

*Postlude Plein Jeu Louis-Nicolas Clerambault

Worship Leaders

Preacher – Peter Henry

Liturgists – John Ryan, Margo Williams (11:00)

Musicians – David Brinson, Sarah Allred, Geneva Choir (8:45),
Chancel Choir (11:00) and Children's Choir (11:00)

Sound, Technology and Livestream: Bill Hatfield (8:45), Ben Slay,
Merle Schuh (9:45), Holly Thomaas (11:00), Fahad Firdausi (11:00)

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.](#)



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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.

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.