

THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 28, 2018

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

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

From the first chipped stone to the first smelted iron took nearly three million years; from the first iron to the hydrogen bomb took only 3,000 years.

— Ronald Wright in *A Short History of Progress*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Voluntary in D

Eric H. Thiman

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Mark 1:14-15

L: Whose glory fills the skies?
Who is our true and only light?

P: It's Christ,
the Sun of Righteousness,
the Daystar.

L: Let sing the praises of our Savior.

P: The one who fill us with divine radiance,
who scatters all our unbelief,
who shines for us on this perfect day.

*HYMN #662

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

CALL TO CONFESSION

based on hymn #662

Our souls can grow gloomy with sin and grief. But the presence of Jesus fills us with inward light, cheering our eyes and warming our hearts. In confession we welcome the grace of Christ and are renewed by his true light. Let us pray:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

based on Hymn #180, Mark 1:21-28

We are tormented by demons, O Christ;
assailed by doubts,
paralyzed by fears,
ranting in anger,
enslaved by idols,
fractured by competing loyalties.

Help us. Heal us. Make us whole.
Clear our minds and forgive our cooperation with evil spirits.
Lead us in the right direction,
the path of discipleship that leads to God's kingdom.

(Time for silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PASSING THE PEACE

based on Mark 1:21-31

L: God hears our words and trusts our sincerity.
God senses our changed hearts and pours out love and grace.

P: Thanks be to God!
We are forgiven!

L: Surrounded by love and full of grace,
let us rejoice
May the peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

*GLORIA PATRI #583



Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

PARISH LIFE & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

God's Word Is Proclaimed

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

based on Mark 1:27-28

By the power of the Holy Spirit, may the authority of Jesus's teaching be revealed to our hearts and minds in the reading and preaching of Scripture. Amen.

WORD FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

BLESSING

based on 1 John 4:4, 7

Little children, you are from God...

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God.

*(Infants and small children are dismissed to the care of the nursery staff.
Older children are invited to remain and worship.)*

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 18:15-19

(OT p. 174)

L: The Word of the Lord. P: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:21-39

(NT p.35)

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

SERMON

What Have You to Do With Us?

Rev. Mike Wilson

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN #180

“Silence! Frenzied, Unclean Spirit”

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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Eliza Bell

daughter of Erin & Brandon Bell

CHORUS FOLLOWING BAPTISM

See What Love

Ned Wetherald

See what love God has gi-ven, that we should be called
chil-dren of God. See what love God has gi-ven, that we should be called
chil-dren of God, Chil-dren of God; and so we are.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (people read **bold**)

Let us pray for the needs of the world, saying,
hear us, O God,
your mercy is great.

For the healing of Earth and all its creatures;
hear us, O God,
your mercy is great.

For the church's willingness to cast out demons in its midst,
for congregations that are in turmoil,
for the healing of divisions between the followers of Christ Jesus;
hear us, O God,
your mercy is great.

For leaders of nations,
for those who have great wealth,
for those who have too much power,
for those who have destructive weapons,
hear us, O God,
your mercy is great.

For those who are victims of others' idolatry,
for children who have no one to listen to their cries for food and shelter,
for parents who cannot answer the needs of their children,
for peacemakers and diplomats,
for those who give through charities,
and for those who use the law to make policies for the greater good;
hear us, O God,
your mercy is great.

For all who are in pain, in need of care or are suffering in any way,
especially those we name now aloud or silently, . . .
[Here you may say aloud your individual prayers for healing and wholeness.]
hear us, O God,
your mercy is great.

Into your hands we commend all those for whom we pray
and those it would be easy to forget.
We ask your blessing on all your people,
that we may come at last to the truth
around your banquet table that has no end
around your font that is never dry;
through Christ Jesus, our Lord,
who lives in joyful community with you and with the Holy Spirit,
and who taught us to pray:

**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.**

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENEROUS GIVING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ye Servants of God

Henry Coleman

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad His wonderful name.
The Name all victorious of Jesus extol. His Kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son.
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give Him His right, all glory and power, all wisdom and might.
All honour and blessing, with angels above, and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

— Charles Wesley

DOXOLOGY

“PUER NOBIS”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Cre - a - tor, Christ and Ho - ly Ghost.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (unison)

We are hopeful, God of restoration, wholeness and life, that these gifts would be used responsibly to help make visible your reign and realm. So bless not only the gifts themselves, but those entrusted with their expenditure, that they would honor the trust of each generous giver. Amen.

**We Seal God's Word Upon Our Hearts
and Bear It Into the World**

*HYMN #547 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

L: Let all God's people say, P: Alleluia, Amen!

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Gavotte: In the Style of Samuel Wesley

Eric H. Thiman

Join us after worship

at the coffee pot in the narthex for interesting conversation and light refreshments. A good way to meet the pastor and make new friends at DPC!

Children and Worship

Note to Parents of Small Children: The presence of children in worship is a gift to our church. We welcome them, wiggles and all. Families are encouraged to sit together in worship, at least through the children's message. After that, parents may take younger children (5 and under) to our nursery, staffed by loving caregivers. A greeter can direct you to the nursery.

For effective faith development, we value older children (over 5) experiencing the entire worship service. To help, children's bulletins and activities to keep little hands occupied can be found on the table in the narthex.

If you have questions or ideas for children's ministry, please contact Suzie Lane at suzielane@dpchurch.com.

Sunday School During Lent

Lent is coming and so is Intergenerational Sunday School! All ages are invited to be in Sunday School together starting February 18 - March 25. Join us in Parlor 1 for breakfast goodies, fellowship and Bible study.

Questions? Contact Suzie.

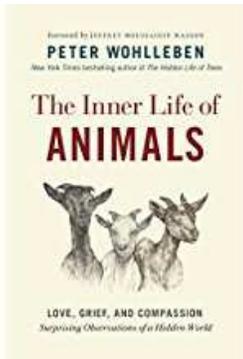
Handbell Choir Luncheon

On Sunday, January 28, the handbell choir will have a potluck lunch following the morning worship service. Following the lunch, we will polish all handbells in preparation for the upcoming semester.

First Sunday Lunch Meet-up

Join us today, right after worship, at the Nashville Farmers' Market for our Sunday lunch meet-up. Get some food from one of the fantastic vendors, then look for friendly faces in the dining area. Nashville Farmers' Market is at 900 Rosa L. Parks Blvd.





DPC Book Group

The DPC book group will have its next meeting on Thursday, February 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the club room of the Viridian (415 Church St.). We will be discussing *The Inner Life of Animals* by Peter Wohlleben.

Please contact Joel (joelhdark@gmail.com) for more information.

Electronic Giving!

Want an easy way to donate to DPC? Just text "dpchurch" to 73256. You'll get a link to a secure site that will scan your credit card info. You can even choose what special DPC fund you want to give to. It only takes about a minute!

Thanks for supporting the ministries of Downtown Presbyterian Church!

First Saturday Art Crawl is coming up this Saturday, February 3. The crawl is from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and DPC is a popular stop. Volunteers are needed to be hosts. Hosts need to be at the church by 6:00 p.m. Email Michael Arwood (dagmal@aol.com) if you'd like to help out this Saturday.



Clothes Closet Help!

We maintain a clothes closet to help our homeless and urban poor guests on Saturday morning. We are in need of many items, including:

- Men's and Women's long sleeve shirts: all sizes
- Men's and Women's sweatshirts: all sizes (hoods preferred)
- Men's and Women's jeans – all sizes
- Men's and Women's underwear—New Only
- Socks for men and women—New Only
- Sample Size Toiletries
- WINTER COATS
- Gloves, hats, and scarves

Perhaps you have some things you haven't worn in a while and can donate. Or maybe you can pick up a few extra items at Target or the drugstore. And remember, your clothing dollars can go a long way at one of Nashville's several Goodwill locations!

Volunteers Needed for Saturday Breakfast

Every Saturday morning DPC opens its doors to Nashville's homeless and urban poor community to provide hot, nutritious meals in a warm, inviting space.

Volunteers from DPC are welcome EVERY Saturday. We want to enlarge our pool of experienced DPC hosts for those Saturdays when other churches and organizations are sending volunteers.

Go here to sign up for any Saturday and to see who else is coming: <https://goo.gl/yQi9wA>

We provide complimentary parking for all volunteers.

If you can volunteer please respond to dpcbreakfast@gmail.com.

Parking

Parking for Sunday worship is in the Premier lot at **147 4th Ave. N.**

You must come down 4th from Church Street. Parking in this lot is complimentary from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Parking vouchers are necessary to exit the lot without having to pay. To get one, just ask one of our greeters.

Our Ministries Last Week

Saturday Breakfast Ministry

150 people were served a nutritious, hot breakfast on January 20.

11:00 Worship Service Attendance

Adults:75, Children:10

Visitors and Tourists

67 visitors came to view the sanctuary during the week.

Schedule of Weekly Events

Today

12:30 Handbell Choir Potluck and Bell Polishing Party

Monday, January 29

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Tuesday, January 30

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

12:00 Bible Study – Parlor 1

Wednesday, January 31

Thursday, February 1

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Friday, February 2

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Saturday, February 3

8:30 Breakfast served to Nashville's homeless and urban poor

6:00 First Saturday Art Crawl

Sunday, February 4

9:00 Juveniles Rehearsal

9:45 Adult Choir rehearsal

9:45 Christian Education

11:00 Worship – the Sanctuary

12:30 First Sunday Lunch Meetup—
Downtown Farmers Market

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

We believe that every person is a beloved child of God.

Our welcome extends to everyone, whatever your economic circumstances, your faith background, your racial or ethnic identity, your sexual orientation or gender identity, or your political affiliations.

As a diverse community we seek to intentionally embody God's radically inclusive and transformative love for everyone. With love and grace, we are called as a community to grow together as a voice for justice and peace - each as we are, with our unique human stories of joy and struggle.

SESSION 2018

Rev. Mike Wilson, Moderator

Jack Henderson, Clerk

Jeff Koontz, Treasurer

Class of 2018

Cary Gibson
Michael Korak
Jim Dickson

Class of 2019

Chuck Cardona
Jack Henderson
Justin Near

Class of 2020

Dave Coleman
Debra Gentry
Vickie Coffin

THE CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Mike Wilson, Pastor

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