

THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Second Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2019

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

OPENING ANTHEMS

Heyr Hymna Smdur
There Will Be Rest

Porkell Sigurbjörnsson
Frank Ticheli

See page 7 for anthem texts

WELCOME

EXTINGUISHING THE LENTEN CANDLES

L: ...As we extinguish the second candle of Lent, we acknowledge the fear, vulnerability, and anxiousness we face when putting ourselves in service to our world as a reflection of Christ's selfless nature.

P: In the name of Jesus, who shines in the darkness and is not overcome, we pray, Amen.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 27

L: The psalmist sings,

P: One thing I asked of the LORD, that I will seek after:

to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in God's temple.

L: Sisters and brothers, God is good,
and in love and mercy greets us here.

P: Let us worship God!

*HYMN #12

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise "

CALL TO CONFESSION

based on Psalm 27:1

The LORD is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

With humble hearts, let us offer our confession before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

based on Philippians 3:20-21

Welcoming God,

you have made us citizens of the kingdom of heaven,
yet our allegiance is too often to the things of this world.

We value security over openness and inclusion.

We nurture grudges rather than pray for our enemies.

We hoard resources instead of sharing generously
or investing in the future.

We are ambivalent about the cross and do not claim it
as our defining symbol.

In all things - heart, mind and soul -

may we allow ourselves to be conformed more fully to Jesus,
our model for perfect humanity, and claim our true citizenship.

Amen.

(Time for silent confession)

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE AND PASSING THE PEACE based on Psalm 27:1

L: God is our light and our salvation.

As citizens of the kingdom of heaven, we have nothing to fear.

God's grace surrounds us, protects us and allows us to move freely
and with confidence to love one another.

Let us share that love now.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

please return to your seats when the music begins

PARISH LIFE & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

God's Word Is Proclaimed

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

based on Psalm 27:8

Our hearts say, "Come, seek God's face; LORD, I do seek your face".

We ask now for the Spirit's illumination

so that in the reading and proclamation of God's word,
we might see God's face. 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.

(Children under age 6 may go with the nursery staff. Children ages 6 and up are encouraged to remain in the sanctuary.)

ANTHEM

Poor Man Lazarus

arr. Jester Hairston

FIRST READING

Luke 13:31-35

(NT p.77)

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

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:17-4:1

(NT p.198)

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

SERMON

Mike Wilson

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN #213

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

ANTHEM

Baba Yetu

Christopher Tin

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

In peace let us pray to the Lord saying,
Lord have mercy.

For the church throughout the world,
that all who bear the name of Christ
may walk in the ways of peace,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the nations of the world,
 wherever there is poverty, war, or oppression of human spirit,
 that all people may repent of the evil they do to one another,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the planet Earth, God's gift to humankind,
 that we repent of selfish or thoughtless exploitation
 and tend it with care so that all may share justly in its bounty,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the leaders of the nations,
 that they may work for the common good of all people
 and repent of arrogant nationalism,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our enemies,
 that we may learn to love them with regard for God's compassion,
 forgiving wrongs and seeking reconciliation,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For those who are sick or in trouble,
 for the defenseless, the weak, and the poor,
 that they may find help in their time of need,
 and that the church may heed their cry,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Loving God,
 hear the prayers of your people for the sake of our world.
[Here you may say aloud your individual prayers and petitions.]
Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

With our prayers, accept the dedication of our lives
that we may minister to the world in the name of Jesus,
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 Kyrie from *The Lord Nelson Mass* Franz Joseph Haydn

Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison

Translation from Greek:

Lord Have Mercy
Christ Have Mercy
Lord Have Mercy

*DOXOLOGY #606 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (unison) based on Psalm 27:13

O God, we have been witness to your goodness to us.
Accept the offering of the work of our hands,
and use us for the sake of Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.

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

*HYMN #265 “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Please be seated or leave quietly after the benediction

CLOSING VOLUNTARY Battle of Jericho arranged by Moses Hogan

Today's Visiting Choir

Today we welcome The Buena Vista University Choir, under the direction of Dr. Marion Guice Gill, who will perform works by Hairston, Haydn, Hogan, and Ticheli.

Buena Vista University is located in Storm Lake, Iowa, and was founded by the Presbyterian Church USA in 1891. Last month the University Choir was named a semifinalist in the prestigious American Prize national nonprofit competition in the performing arts, the only Iowa choir tabbed for the honor.

BUENA VISTA UNIVERSITY CHOIR

Dr. Merrin Guice Gill, Director and Associate Professor of Music

Deanna Larson, accompanist

Aubrey Anderson

Alexis Bardwell

Noah Bardwell

Hannah Barnes

Tessa Baxter

Brenna Becker

Natalie Brewer

Jenna Bruns

Skylar Finch

Justin Forkpa

Emily Geweke

Jerzy Gillon

Evan Grant

Khamedriah Grimes

Isaac Haas

Paige Hill

Dernisha Hoover

Chancellor Johnson

Kathryn Keller

Skye Kelley

Kristian Kelly

Nathan Ladehoff

Autumn McClain

Daniel Meissner

Jake Mentzer

Grace Meyers

Rachel Mouw

Kylee Muyskens

Diane Nusbaum

Levi Owens

Corgan Petersen

Stacey Rosner

Job Saunders

Jacob Sellers

Tara Smith

Paige Vanderhoff

London VanHorbeck

Hunter Vasey

Katherine Venegas

Dalton Walker

Daniel Walker

Heyr Hymna Smdur Þorkell Sigurbjörnsson

Heyr, himna smiður, hvers skáldið biður. Komi mjúk til mín miskunnin þín.
Því heit eg á þig, þú hefur skaptan mig. Eg er þrællinn þinn, þú ert drottinn minn.

Guð, heit eg á þig, að þú græðir mig. Minnst þú, mildingur, mín, mest þurfum þín.
Ryð þú, röðla gramur, ríkyndur og framur, hölds hverri sorg úr hjartaborg.

Gæt þú, mildingur, mín, mest þurfum þín, helzt hverja stund á hölda grund.
Send þú, meyjjar mögur, málsefnin fögur, öll er hjálp af þér, í hjarta mér.

—Kolbeinn Tumason

Translation from Icelandic:

Listen, smith of the heavens, what the poet asks.
May softly come unto me your mercy.
So I call on thee, for you have created me. I am thy slave, you are my Lord.

God, I call on thee to heal me. Remember me, mild one, most we need thee.
Drive out, O king of suns, generous and great,
every human sorrow from the city of the heart.

Watch over me, mild one, most we need thee,
truly every moment in the world of men.
Send us, son of the virgin, good causes, all aid is from thee, in my heart.

There Will Be Rest Frank Ticheli

There will be rest, and sure stars shining
There will be rest, there will be rest, and sure stars shining
Over the roof-tops, crowned with snow
A reign of rest, serene forgetting
The music, the music of stillness holy and low

There will be rest, and sure stars shining
Over the roof-tops, crowned with snow
A reign of rest, serene forgetting
The music, the music of stillness
The music of stillness, stillness, stillness, holy and low.

I will make this world of my devising
Out of a dream, out of a dream, out of a dream
In my lonely mind

— Sara Teasdale

Poor Man Lazarus

arr. Jester Hairston

Poor man Lazarus, sick and disabled,
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

He had to eat crumbs from the rich man's table.
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

Refrain

I'm tormented in the flame! I'm tormented in the flame!
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'cause I'm tormented in the flame!

Rich man Dives he lived so well,
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

And when he died he went straight to hell,
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

I love to shout, I love to sing,
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

I love to praise my heavenly King,
Dip your finger in the water, come and cool my tongue,
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

– Traditional Spiritual

Baba Yetu

Christopher Tin

Chorus

Baba yetu, yetu uliye Mbinguni yetu, yetu, amina!
Baba yetu, yetu, uliye Jina lako litukuzwe.

Utupe leo chakula chetu Tunachohitaji utusamehe Makosa yetu, hey!
Kama nasi tunavyowasamehe Waliotukosea usitutie Katika majaribu,
lakini Utuokoe, na yule Mwovu, milele!

Translation from Swahili:

Our Father, who art in Heaven. Amen!

Our Father, hallowed be Thy name. Give us this day our daily bread, forgive us of our trespasses as we forgive others who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one forever. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen

Battle of Jericho

arr. by Moses Hogan

Chorus

Joshua fit the battle of Jericho, Jericho, Jericho;

Joshua fit the battle of Jericho and the walls came tumbling down.

You may talk about your kings of Gideon, you may talk about your men of Saul

But there's none like good old Joshua at the battle of Jericho.

Now the Lord commanded Joshua; "I command you and obey you must;

You just march straight to those city walls and the walls will turn to dust."

Straight up to the walls of Jericho he marched with spear in hand,

"Go blow that ram's horn," Joshua cried, "For the battle is in my hand."

The lamb ram sheep horns began to blow, and the trumpets began to sound,

And Joshua commanded, "Now children, shout!" And the walls came tumbling down.

— Traditional Spiritual

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!

Nursery Childcare

After the Word For Our Youngest Disciples, parents may take younger children (5 and under) to our nursery, staffed today by McKennan Henninger and Samantha Barclay.

Conversations on Atonement

How are we reconciled with God through the death and resurrection of Jesus? What was accomplished on the cross? Those are some of the questions that our doctrine of atonement seeks to answer. And it is not enough - and rather unsatisfactory - to say simply, "Jesus died for our sins."

On March 31 and April 7 Pastor Mike will continue the series that started today in which he explores some of the many and broad understandings of atonement. We'll look at their origins, strengths and weaknesses, and moderate conversations around how they resonate with us personally.

The conversations will begin at 9:45 on **Sundays March 31 and April 7** (no class on March 24) in Parlor 2. And prior attendance is *not* required.

Cottage Dinner Sign-Up

It's time to sign-up for Good Friday Cottage Dinners! **Friday, April 19** is Good Friday and we have several amazing hosts to choose from. We have hosts out in Bellevue, two in East Nashville, Pastor Mike will be hosting at the church, and one at Shelby Bottoms during the day for the whole family! It's a casual, potluck dinner with prayers and liturgy. Cottage Dinners, not including Shelby Bottoms, runs roughly from 6:30-9:00 or whenever the hosts deem they want to put their jammies on and call it a night!

Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex, so grab a spot today!

If you have any questions, please email or call Mary Turner at 615.294.8040 mturner2624@gmail.com.

Hospitality Committee Meeting

The Hospitality Committee will be having its next meeting **Wednesday, March 20** at 6:00pm at The Cookery. We hope to see you there!

If you have any questions, please email or call Mary Turner at 615.294.8040 mturner2624@gmail.com.

Saturday Breakfast Coordinator Meeting

Saturday Breakfast volunteers will have a meeting **Sunday, March 24** immediately after worship in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will join us!

If you have any questions please contact Vickie Coffin at vickcoffin@bellsouth.net.

New Member Classes

Are you interested in exploring membership at DPC? Want to learn more about what it means to be a Presbyterian? Pastor Mike will be forming a new member cohort soon. The group usually meets for three Sundays before worship.

Whether you've just started worshipping at DPC or if you've been attending for months (or even years), there will be plenty to talk about. And there's no pressure to join; this is foremost an opportunity for conversation, information and inquiry.

If you're interested in attending or just have some questions – email Mike at mikewilson@dpchurch.com.

Once he knows how many people will be participating, he'll set the dates and place.

Spring Cleanup Day

On Saturday, April 6, you are invited to join us after the Saturday breakfast to help spruce up the church for Easter.

We'll doing some cleaning and polishing, getting rid of some clutter, and doing our best to make the church bright and shiny for Easter and beyond.

There will be tasks big and small...something for everyone! And lunch is on us!

We'll start at 10:00 a.m. Gather in Fellowship Hall for assignments. And remember:
Many hands make light work!

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.

DPC Clothes Closet

We are making a few changes to the clothing closet ministry to better maximize volunteer availability and the space available.

Please plan to drop off donations on Thursdays from 11-1 or Saturday from 9:30-10 as the breakfast program is winding down.

We currently need the following items for men and women:

- jeans in good condition
- casual T-shirts
- sweatshirts (hoods preferred)
- tennis shoes in good condition
- sample size toiletries

Monetary contributions can be made electronically by texting "dpchurch" to 73256 and selecting clothes closet from the drop-down menu.

For more information about the clothes closet please go to www.dpchurch.com.

Thank you for supporting this important ministry!

PARKING IN 4TH AVENUE GARAGE

Any members, visitors and volunteers that park in the SP+ Garage on Saturdays or Sundays, please be aware of new signs that have been posted in their building.

There are spaces that are reserved for monthly parkers with a 24hour/ 7day-a -week restriction.

We have been asked not to park in any of these during our authorized weekend times. Several spaces on the first floor, immediately to the right up-on entry are now labeled with these signs. There are some others in the building. While they may be empty, they are still subject to towing if unauthorized vehicles are occupying them.

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!

Sermon Notes

Parking

Parking for Sunday worship is in the SP+ garage at 147 4th Ave. N.

You must come down 4th from Church Street. Parking in this garage is complimentary from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Parking vouchers are necessary to exit the garage without having to pay. To get one, just ask one of our greeters.

Our Ministries Last Week

Saturday Breakfast Ministry

137 people were served a nutritious, hot breakfast on March 9.

74 people visited the clothes closet on March 9.

11:00 Worship Service Attendance

Adults:59, Children:7

Schedule of Weekly Events

Today

1:00 Session - Parlor 2

Monday, March 18

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Tuesday, March 19

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

12:00 Bible Study - Parlor 1

Wednesday, March 20

10:00 Nursing School Graduation Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Thursday, March 21

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Friday, March 22

11:30 AA Meeting - Parlor 2

Saturday, March 23

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

Sunday, March 24

9:00 JuveNiles Rehearsal

9:45 Adult Choir Rehearsal

9:45 Children's Education - Rm #211

11:00 Worship - The Sanctuary

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

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