

# THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Pentecost

June 9, 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

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Throughout my life something odd kept happening to me. God showed up.

— Diana Butler Bass

OPENING VOLUNTARY     Chorale Prelude on *Nettleton*  
arr. Ralph Rebecca Groom te Velde

#### WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP             Veni, Creator Spiritus                     Eric Near  
Alison Letcher and Justin Near, handbells

\*HYMN                     "Let Us Welcome Everybody"

*Sung to the tune of "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing," this hymn was composed for Pentecost 2018 by DPC members Eric Near, Dixie Williamson, Jack Henderson, Nina Cardona and Rev. Mike Wilson.*

- |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.<br>Let us welcome everybody<br>sharing peace with grace and love.<br>We are called to grow together<br>doing justice from above.<br>Called to seek God's true communion<br>with diverse and varied lives;<br>Telling tales of joy and struggle,<br>caring for a world that thrives. | 2.<br>Like a river ever flowing,<br>soothe our hearts to make us whole.<br>Keep us close and ever knowing;<br>we abide within your soul.<br>Let the river firmly guide us;<br>in your presence let us hear<br>Soothing waters of your spirit,<br>safe and wholesome hold us dear. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

3.  
God we need thee as we walk on  
this long journey of our lives.  
Though the path is long and winding,  
from your hand our strength derives.  
Make the valleys safe and level  
in our world and in our hearts.  
Let us praise your omnipresence  
and respond with living love.

4.  
Let us see God's spark in others,  
know God's fount flows for them, too;  
Strive for patience, care and mercy  
in all that we say and do.  
May our faith be more than feeling,  
let it shine through every choice!  
Say "God loves you" with our actions  
and not only with our voice.

5.  
Howling winds and tongues of fire  
filled disciples with a power;  
Singing like a Babel choir,  
they refused to hide and cower.  
Pour your Spirit out upon us:  
Sons and daughters, old and young.  
Give us words to sing the chorus  
of our own salvation song.

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Our God, we come in humility,  
confessing who and what we are.

We are often unresponsive  
for we are afraid.

When your Spirit speaks, we turn deaf ears,  
for we fear what you might call us to do.

When your Spirit touches our lips, we close our mouths,  
embarrassed to speak your Word.

When the wind of your Spirit blows, we close the windows of our hearts,  
afraid the breeze will disrupt our ordered lives.

When the fire of your Spirit touches us, we quench the flame,  
afraid of the new life it might bring.

Forgive us, O Lord.

(Time for silent confession)

**\*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE AND PASSING THE PEACE**

based on Acts 2:17-21

L: May the peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

**\*GLORIA PATRI #581**      **Glory Be to the Father**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.*

**PARISH LIFE & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**God's Word Is Proclaimed**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (unison)

**Holy Wisdom, you are the pillar of fire  
that leads us into each new moment of our lives.  
By the power of your Spirit,  
settle now into our hearts and illumine your will;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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.)*

**DRAMATIC READING**

Dylan Chang, Kim McMullin, Chris Leonard

*The reading weaves together images and quotations from:*

Genesis 11:1-9; Exodus 19:16-20, 23:14-19; Acts 1:3-5, 2:1-47

**SERMON**

Rev. Mike Wilson

## We Respond to God's Word

\*HYMN #280

"Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

### PRAYER OF INTERCESSION, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Today's prayer response will be

L: Holy God,

P: hear our prayer.

*During the prayer, the leader will open a space for you to say aloud your individual prayers.*

*You may come forward during the prayer to light a candle at the prayer table.*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Veni, Creator Spiritus

Eric Near

Véni Créátor Spíritus, méntes tuórum vísita,  
imple supérna grátia, quae tu creásti, péctora.

Qui díceris Paraclítus, dónum Déi altíssimi,  
fons vívus, ígnis, cáritas, et spirítalis únctio.

Tu septifórmis múnere, déxtrae Déi tu dígitus  
tu ríte promíssum Pátris, sermóne dírans gúttura. Amen.

#### *Translation*

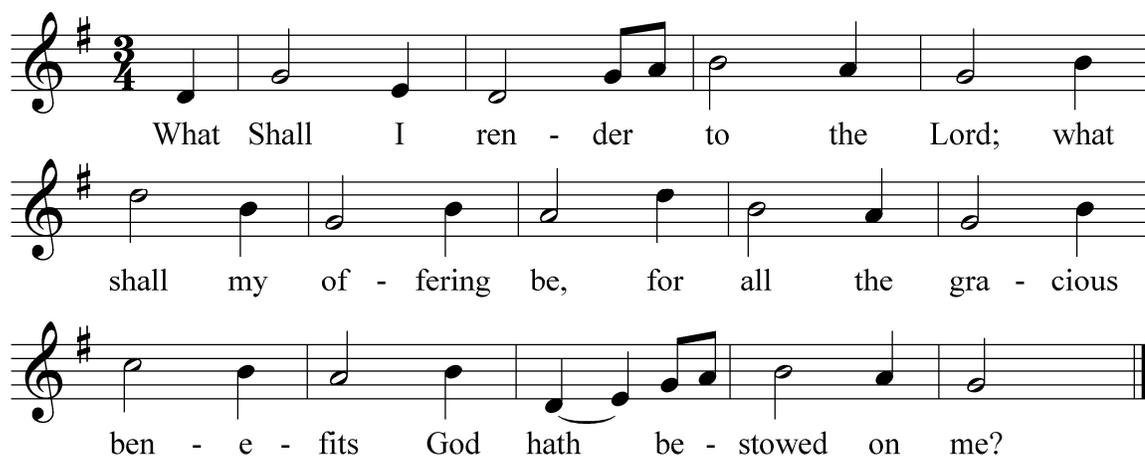
Come Creator Spirit, visit the souls of your devoted,  
With your divine grace fill the hearts which you have created.

You are called Comforter, Gift of the highest God,  
Fount of life, fire, love, and spiritual unction.

You are seven-fold in your gifts, the finger of God's right hand,  
You are the one duly promised by the father, enriching our tongues with speech. Amen.

\*DOXOLOGY #655

“What Shall I Render to the Lord” vs.1



What Shall I ren - der to the Lord; what  
shall my of - fering be, for all the gra - cious  
ben - e - fits God hath be - stowed on me?

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (unison)

As you would transform our doubts and set us free from our fears,  
so we pray these gifts we offer  
might bring hope to those who despair,  
might feed those who hunger for hope as well as food,  
and might gather them into your community of wonder and joy.  
We pray this in Jesus's name. Amen.

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

\*HYMN #295

“Go to the World”

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fanfare

Gordon Young

## Meetups With Mike

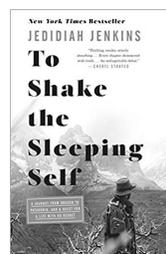
The Personnel Committee and Pastor Mike would like to invite you to set up an informal one on one (or two) get together with him this summer. Call or email (mikewilson@dpchurch.com) to schedule coffee, a meal - breakfast, lunch or dinner are all possible - a walk in the park, a home visit, or just some time at the church. Let's all get to know Mike better and let him know us!

## Nursery Childcare

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

## DPC Book Group: *To Shake the Sleeping Self* by Jedidiah Jenkins

We've chosen! We'll meet sometime in July! Jedidiah Jenkins is a local grown guy with an interesting story to share. Maybe he'll be in town to meet with us? Keep your fingers crossed.



Time and Place TBD.

## 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 worshiping 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.

## **Sunday School: Conversations**

Beginning **June 16th** and continuing throughout the month, DPC will begin a series of new Sunday School classes called Conversations (#dpccversations). Each class will be led by a different member or friend of DPC every week.

Using Luke's parables as a springboard, leaders will talk about the practicality of each parable, how it relates to his/her life, and lead a conversation about the meaning and importance of the parable in the life of the attendees. This is not a heady, theologically heavy class where an instructor talks at you, but rather a place where we can get to know one another more deeply.

Dave and Justin will lead the first class, followed by Jeff on June 23rd and Samera on June 30th. We will take a break in July while Suzie leads a few multi-generational classes, and then come back in August to continue our Conversations. If you are interested in leading a class, contact Dave at [dave\\_four@hotmail.com](mailto:dave_four@hotmail.com).

## **Hospitality Meeting**

DPC Hospitality Committee meets again **Monday, June 10**, 6pm at Calypso Cafe @ 700 Thompsons Lane. Please join us!

## **Worship & Arts Meeting**

DPC Worship & Arts Committee meets again **Monday, June 10**, 6pm at the church. Please join us!

## **FREE BOOKS! Good Summer Reads!**

Stop by the teeny table just inside the door from the alley and peruse the paperbacks. They are there for the taking/borrowing. You don't need to return the book, but pass it forward if you can. Want to drop off a good read (and realize you may never see the book again), then add yours. Just stick a little label on (provided) so a borrower might know where to return it if so desired.

## 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 2019

Chuck Cardona  
Jack Henderson  
Justin Near

Class of 2020

Dave Coleman  
Debra Gentry  
Vickie Coffin

Class of 2021

Mary Turner  
Jim Hoobler  
David Maddox

### THE CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Mike Wilson, Pastor

Dena Swoner, Office Manager

Suzie Lane, Director of Children's Education

Paulino Jarquin, Maintenance Manager

Dr. William Taylor, Director of Music

### THE DOWNTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

154 5<sup>TH</sup> AVE North, NASHVILLE, TN 37219

(615) 254-7584

*Where Passion Meets Action In Downtown Nashville!*

Check us out at: [www.dpchurch.com](http://www.dpchurch.com)  
or scan this QR code

