

THE  
GEORGETOWN  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

*Sunday, February 4, 2024, 11 a.m.*

*Fifth Sunday after Epiphany*

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PRELUDE                      Intermezzo                      Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

WELCOME                      Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
   People: **And also with you.**

INTROIT                      We Are Climbing Jesus' Ladder                      *Traditional*  
   *Joyful Noise*                      (Adapt. by Geoffrey Marshall-Taylor)

CALL to WORSHIP                      Leader: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving!  
   People: **How good it is to sing praises to our God.**  
   Leader: For God is gracious, healing the brokenhearted, binding up their  
   wounds.  
   People: **God's understanding is beyond measure. Praise the Lord!**

◆ HYMN 305                      Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!                      *Darwall's 148th*

◆ *You are invited to stand*

*As a courtesy to others, please turn off your cell phone and refrain from flash photography during the service.*

PRAYER of  
CONFESSION

Leader: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

**People:** And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Leader: Let us pray:

**People:** God of mercy, thank you for your love for your creation. You rejoice over beauty and celebrate the goodness in the world. We thank you for being a God who loves and cares for us. We confess that we have not always celebrated goodness but have been jealous and narrow. We confess that we have not always reached out to others in love but have been callous and judgmental. We confess that we have not always promoted the common good but have been selfish and shallow. For the ways we have fallen short, Lord have mercy. Set us on a new path to follow in your ways of your Son, Jesus Christ.

(Silent prayer)

ASSURANCE of  
PARDON

Leader: Friends believe the good news.

**People:** In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen!

◆ GLORIA PATRI  
*Glory to God, #581*

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.

TIME with CHILDREN

Rev. Dr. Camille Cook Howe

◆ HYMN 806

I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

*Old 113th*

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

Deacon Jack Gillum

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 40:21-31

Pg. 741

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God!

SECOND LESSON

Mark 1:29-39

Pg. 36

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God!

SERMON

*Theological Amnesia*

Rev. Meghan Brown

DECLARATION of  
FAITH

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

OFFERING and  
OFFERTORY

Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord

William Mathias (1934-1992)

*Passing of the Fellowship Books*

## ◆ DOXOLOGY

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

## SACRAMENT of the LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION and  
GREAT  
THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.***prayer continues...*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYERS of the  
PEOPLE  
and 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.

WORDS of INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION of  
the ELEMENTS

The Prayers I Make

Jane Marshall (b. 1924)

◆ HYMN 43

You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord

*On Eagle's Wings*

◆ BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

Lord, Now Lettest Thou Thy Servant

Don McAfee (b. 1935)

POSTLUDE

Processional

William Mathias (1934-1992)

### *About Today's Service*

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**About the Music:** Jane Marshall (b. 1924), composer of the anthem “The Prayers I Make” is a strong advocate of congregational song and has written a number of hymn tunes, as well as serving on the editorial committees of several hymnbooks. A prolific choral composer, many of her compositions for choir are in publication and are frequently performed. The anthem is a setting of a text by Michelangelo Buonarroti (1475-1564), who personified the term “Renaissance Man.” He was an Italian sculptor, painter, architect, poet, and engineer of the High Renaissance who is regarded as one of the greatest artists of all time.

**Flowers:** The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in honor of Jennie Lopez and her family

**Ushers:** Robert Bell (Captain), Sharon Brooke, Margaret Carvin, Jay Grauberger, Christine Rales, Jim Reese, Judith Shea, John Struble, Berry Trimble, and Libby Wallin

**Punch Bunch:** There is no Punch Bunch today-we hope you will stay for the Congregational Meeting

**Children's Worship Leaders:** Pastor Camille, Jaime Hart, Kathleen Jennings, Libby Wallin, Jennifer Krusius, Liza Boyd, and Margaret First

**Nursery Caregivers:** Gamage Perera, Swarna Nawarantha, and Udeni Passaramudalige

# Weekly Calendar

*Sunday, February 4*

- 9:45am Nursery
- 10:00am Celebration of Jennie Lopez
- 10:45am Singing with Ms. Regina
- 11:00am Worship\*\*
- 12:00pm Congregational Meeting, Punch Bunch
- 5:00pm Yoga\*

*Tuesday, February 6*

- 11:00am GPC Staff Meeting
- 6:30pm Deacon's Meeting

*Sunday, February 11*

- 9:45am Nursery, Adult Education
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 10:45am Singing with Ms. Regina
- 11:00am Worship\*\*
- 12:00pm Punch Bunch
- 5:00pm Yoga\*

*\*Event will be conducted virtually.*

*\*\*Both virtual and in-person options will be available.*

## Announcements

### GPC New Parents Gathering!

All new and new (ish) parents are invited to a brunch and fellowship time with other parents and their children on Sunday, February 25th at 10 am in Classroom 1 on the 2nd floor. This event is primarily for parents of nursery aged children, but all are welcome. Please contact Pastor Meghan, Kate Gilchrist, Natalia Sitnikov, or Sally McLeod or more information or to RSVP.

## Stewardship 2024: Sharing God's Story

Please show your appreciation for your many blessings, and your dedication to this Church with a Stewardship gift for 2024. We ask everyone to participate, especially those who have not given before. If you are particularly blessed this year, please increase your intent. The Bible asks us to joyfully give thanks to God. Let us also be joyful givers so we can continue to "Share God's Story." Please fill out the intent card in the pews and return it to the offering plate or fill out the online intent form at [gtownpres.org/stewardship](http://gtownpres.org/stewardship).

## Worship

[gtownpres.org/worship](http://gtownpres.org/worship)

Welcome to Georgetown Presbyterian Church, where people have gathered to worship for over 240 years. We worship each Sunday at 11:00am.

## Connect

[gtownpres.org/connect](http://gtownpres.org/connect)

### New Member Conference

Interested in joining GPC? Learn more about membership and what it means to be a Presbyterian at our next New Member Conference on March 10th. Be in touch with Pastor Jessica for more information.

### Requests for Prayers

Scan here or visit [gtownpres.org/connect](http://gtownpres.org/connect) to fill out the care and support form. Responses will go directly to the GPC Care Committee. Thank you for helping us care for yourselves and the broader GPC community.



## Join Us For Yoga Online Sundays at 5 pm!

Sunday morning worship is great for your soul- why not add Sunday evening yoga to care for your mind and body? Join your GPC friends for an hour of easy flow yoga and breath work with certified instructor Charlotte Adamo. Classes are on Zoom and cost \$25 each (payable by Venmo or check). Charlotte sees the best in everyone, and she meets you where you are, offering prompts for beginners, and challenges for the more advanced. For more info, feel free to email Mary Beth Ray or Charlotte Adamo. Namaste, we hope to see you soon!

## Serve

[gtownpres.org/serve](http://gtownpres.org/serve)

### Sign Up to Be a Greeter

You may have noticed the smiling faces of GPC's greeters, volunteers who welcome members and visitors each Sunday with a friendly word and a warm handshake (or elbow bump!). This is a great way to meet people in the congregation and help bring warmth and community to our congregation. To volunteer for this fun and important role, visit [gtownpres.org/connect](http://gtownpres.org/connect).

### Georgetown Saturday Suppers

Saturday Suppers are back inside! The last Saturday of every month, GPC members meet at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church to serve dinner to 30-60 neighbors who are hungry. The move inside means a return to seated suppers and hot food. It also means a jump from 4-5 volunteers to 10-12 volunteers every last Saturday. Email [info@gtownpres.org](mailto:info@gtownpres.org) if you would like to get involved. To support, visit [gtownpres.org/give](http://gtownpres.org/give).

## Learn

[gtownpres.org/learn](http://gtownpres.org/learn)

### Children's Programming on Sunday Morning Education Hour 10:00 - 11:00 am

*Sunday School:* Children ages 3.5 - fifth grade are invited to attend as often as you are able at 10:00 am in the third floor classrooms. The Sunday School teachers will walk children down to the chapel for singing at the end of class.

*Singing with Ms. Regina:* Children of all ages are welcome to sing along with us in the chapel beginning at 10:45. Parents are invited to stay and sing together.

### Worship Hour 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

*Young Children and Worship:* Following the Time with Children in the worship service, children in PreK-2nd grade are led upstairs to participate in this Montessori-based worship program. Parents should plan to walk upstairs to pick their children up from the classrooms.

*Children's Church:* Following the Time with Children in the worship service, children in 3rd - 5th grade are led to the chapel to participate in age-appropriate worship, led by one of our pastors and Ms. Regina. Children are dismissed back to the sanctuary or to punch bunch when Children's Church is over.

### Youth Group

Youth Group meets a couple of Sunday evenings each month. If you're interested in receiving emails about youth group programming, please reach out to Pastor Meghan to be added to the list.

## Adult Education

Join us in the Washington room every Sunday at 9:45am for Adult Education. Next Sunday, February 11th, we will be hearing from Prof. Sergey Radchenko on the topic of the war in Ukraine.

## Give

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Your gifts enable the mission and ministry of this church. To manage a current pledge or make a one-time gift, visit [gtownpres.org/give](http://gtownpres.org/give) or scan the QR code below.

To give of your time and talents, visit [gtownpres.org/timeandtalents](http://gtownpres.org/timeandtalents).



## Daily Lectionary

*Monday* 2 Thessalonians 1:5-12

*Tuesday* Luke 1:57-68

*Wednesday* Amos 6:1-14

*Thursday* Matthew 22:23-33

*Friday* Psalms 40; 67

*Saturday* Amos 7:10-17

## Happy Birthday!

*February 4* Siena Del Sontro

*February 5* Alexander Scott

John Scott

Kitty Goodspeed

*February 6* Stokley Voltmer

*February 7* Emily Geuder

Christopher Howe

*February 8* Patty Jo Divers

Laine Holman

Nadia McAtee

Teo Martinez

*February 9* Bill Massa

Sophia Welch

*February 10* Katy Bradenburg

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# *Serving Our City, United in Christ*

*Welcome to the Georgetown Presbyterian Church*

If you are here for the first time, we extend a special welcome to you. Please take a moment to read through the bulletin which contains important information for the life of this congregation.

- Ushers are wearing red lapel tags and are in the back of the Sanctuary. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask them.
- Please join us after worship for refreshments and fellowship in the Georgetown Room.

Children are always welcome!

- Worship bags are available for children who wish to stay in the worship service. Children can pick these up under the bench in the Narthex, and return them after church
- For our youngest children through three years old, nursery care is available upstairs beginning at 9:45am.
- After the Time with Children in the service, children can remain with their families or exit the Sanctuary with our Children's Worship leaders to continue age-appropriate worship. Please feel free to escort your children to their classroom to meet the leaders.

Navigating the Service

- Stars ♦ indicate when you are invited to stand if you are able.
- Bold text indicates that the congregation says this together, in one voice.
- Hymns can be found in the purple hymnals. Bibles are located at the end of the pews. Large print hymnals are available in the back of the Sanctuary.
- We receive communion once a month, and all are welcome.



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