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GEORGETOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
— CHURCH —

Sunday, July 30th, 2023, 10 a.m.

PRELUDE	Chorale	William Mathias (1934-1992)
WELCOME	Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. People: And also with you.	
INTROIT	O Master, workman of mankind	St Michaels
CALL to WORSHIP	Leaders: The very word of God is a light to our feet, All: A lamp to our path. Leaders: We gather this day to hear the Word of God, All: To offer prayers and sing songs of praise. Leaders: We gather together in this place, All: To be nourished by God's Word. Leaders: Let us worship God!	
◆HYMN 317	In Christ There Is No East or West	Mc Kee

◆ *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 beauty and wonder, the din of the world can harden our hearts to your Word and prevent us from bearing witness to your presence in our lives. Our faith is placed in those who fail us, our trust is given to those who misplace it. Forgive us for our lack of faith and imagination. You offer mercy to us, so we might hear your call to discipleship. You whisper our names, so we might know how loved we are. You invite us to live another way, so we might know deep joy.**

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 697

Take My Life

Hendon

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

Deacon Will Quinn

FIRST LESSON

Mark 7:24-30

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

I wonder as I wander

Appalachian Carol (arr. J.J. Niles)

SECOND LESSON

Luke 2:41-52

Seminarian Emma Marshall

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

How to Wonder

Seminarian Emma Marshall

◆ HYMN 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine

Assurance

◆ THE APOSTLES' CREED I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE 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.

OFFERING and OFFERTORY Lord God of Abraham (from Elijah) Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy
Passing of the Fellowship Books (1809-1847)

◆ 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 Rev. Jessica Tate

◆ HYMN 69 Here I Am, Lord *Here I am (Schutte)*

◆ BENEDICTION

RESPONSE O Thou who dost the vision send St Michael's

POSTLUDE Fanfare on McKee Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

About Today's Service

Emma Marshall is a second-year student at Princeton Theological Seminary pursuing a dual Masters of Divinity and Master of Social Work. She is a lifelong member of the GPC community and is pursuing ordination for ministry in the National Capital Presbytery. She attended Georgetown University where she studied theology and Biblical literature. She saw Taylor Swift this summer and it was a religious experience.



About Today's Music: Our soloist this morning is James Ferguson, a recent GPC member and a member of the GPC choir. He has recently been accepted as a member of the Washington Chorus, a group that will sing this coming season with the National Symphony.

The Prayer of Confession was adapted from Thom Shuman's Lectionary Liturgies from February, 2006.

Flowers: The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God.

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

Punch Bunch: Hosted by Chase Lubbock from the Hospitality Committee!

Children's Worship Leaders: Rev. Meghan Brown, Jaime Hart, Brian Stocker, Priscila Rodriguez, and Kathleen Jennings

Nursery Caregivers: Gamage Perera and Swarna Nawarantha

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, July 30

9:45am Nursery
Singing with Ms. Regina
10:00am Worship**
11:00am Punch Bunch
11:30am Young Adult Brunch
Adult Fellowship Brunch
5:00pm Yoga*

Tuesday, August 1

11:00am GPC Staff Meeting

Sunday, August 6

9:45am Nursery
Singing with Ms. Regina
10:00am Worship**
11:00pm Punch Bunch
5:00pm Yoga*

**Event will be conducted virtually.*

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

Announcements

Betty Alexander's Memorial Service on September 8th

We are sad to announce the death of longtime church member Betty Alexander, mother of Liza Marshall and Lucy Alexander. The memorial service will be held at the Goodwin House in Alexandria on September 8th at 2pm. We hold the Alexander and Marshall families in our prayers.

Calling all Builders!

Children's Ministry is looking to outfit our Sunday School classrooms with Duplos, Legos, and Magna Tiles for little builders this fall. If your family has any you have outgrown and are ready to donate, please reach out to Jennie, JDL@gtownpres.org, or drop off in her office (the church library).

Adult Fellowship Brunch

Today after Worship!

Join us for a time of fellowship as we explore what a group for older adults might look like! Tracy Davis and Ralph Voltmer will be hosting this event at their home on Sunday, July 30th immediately after worship. Contact Pastor Meghan to RSVP or if you need a ride.

Young Adult Brunch with Emma Marshall

Today after Worship

Preaching as part of our Summer Sermon Series "How to be a Christian" on the topic of "How to Wonder..." Emma Marshall will join us after worship to share her experiences with discernment and the call to ministry in the Washington Room with Pastor Camille. Brunch will be provided and all are welcome.

Confirmation Class Starting September 2023!

All youth between 6th-12th grade are welcome to participate in Confirmation this fall and winter! Come to have a space to question, learn, and grow in your faith and learn what it means to be Presbyterian, and get to know your peers, adult mentors, and church leaders! Please reach out to Pastor Meghan to learn more or to sign up!

Connect

gtownpres.org/connect

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](mailto:MaryBeth.Ray) or [Charlotte Adamo](mailto:Charlotte.Adamo).

Namaste, we hope to see you soon!

Serve Punch Bunch!

We are seeking new and returning volunteers to contribute to our weekly Punch Bunch! Grab your family or some friends, take a trip to Safeway or Costco, and help us build and nourish our community in this time of fellowship. Sign-up online at gtownpres.org/connect.

You're Invited to Join a GPC Small Group!

Would you like to explore the Bible, spirituality, theology and your faith while growing in fellowship and community? We will be forming multigenerational small groups over the coming weeks. Please reach out to Pastor Meghan if you are interested in joining or leading a group!

Worship

gtownpres.org/worship

Welcome to Georgetown Presbyterian Church, where people have gathered to worship for over 240 years. We worship each Sunday at 10:00am.

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To give of your time and talents, visit

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Learn

gtownpres.org/learn

Children's Programming on Sunday Morning

9:45 - Singing with Ms. Regina

Children of all ages are welcome to sing along with us in the chapel and parents are always invited to stay and join in.

10:00 - Worship

Following the Time with Children in the main worship service, our children are led out to age-appropriate children's worship. Parents of PreK-2nd graders can pick their children up from the upstairs classrooms. 3rd graders through middle schoolers are dismissed back to the main worship service or into punch bunch.

Nursery

Our church nursery is open every Sunday beginning at 9:45. You can drop off children ages 0-3, and they will receive excellent care from two of our three nursery caregivers,

Deepa, Gamage, and Kumudini.

gtownpres.org/childrens-programs.

Serve

gtownpres.org/serve

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 if you would like to get involved. To support, visit gtownpres.org/give.

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.

Happy Birthday!

<i>July 30</i>	Wes Boatwright Nat Semple Julia Trees
<i>August 1</i>	Betsy White Caroline Vanvick
<i>August 2</i>	Trip Brook III
<i>August 3</i>	Maximilian Lustig
<i>August 4</i>	Ginny Howard Cy Lippman Mindy Smith
<i>August 5</i>	Mona Boatwright Christine Tillman

Daily Lectionary

<i>Monday</i>	Psalm 17:1-7
<i>Tuesday</i>	Acts 2:37-47
<i>Wednesday</i>	Matthew 15:32-39
<i>Thursday</i>	Acts 17:10-15
<i>Friday</i>	Kings 18:17-19, 30-40
<i>Saturday</i>	Romans 9:6-13

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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.

- Masks are optional when indoors at Georgetown Presbyterian Church. Extra masks for adults and children can be found in the narthex.
- 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!

- If you need to step out, there is a room near the front doors with a television which shows the service as well as resources for small children.
- 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 two years old, nursery care is available upstairs beginning at 9:30am.
- 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. More information is available in the Order of Worship.

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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The Georgetown Presbyterian Church has been a steadfast presence in our nation's capital since 1780, ministering to generations of Washingtonians, serving our city, united in Christ. For more of our history, visit gtownpres.org/us/history.

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