

— THE —
GEORGETOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
— CHURCH —

Sunday, August 20th, 2023, 10 a.m.

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

PRELUDE The Tree of Peace Judith Weir (b. 1954)

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

INTROIT Out of the Depths I Cry To You Martin Luther (1483-1546)

CALL to
WORSHIP Leader: Come and hear what God has done!
 People: We come with praise and offerings,
Read by Kakie and Leader: But God has told us what is required.
Watts Colclough **People: To do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our**
 God!
 Leader: Blessed be the Lord of all!
 People: Whose love and mercy endure forever.
 Leader: Let us worship God

◆ HYMN 54 Make a Joyful Noise to God! Dix

◆ *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 our refuge, you hear our cries for mercy. You lift the lowly and offer hope to the hopeless. But we, who benefit from your grace, do not always emulate you and your ways. We are quick to condemn, exaggerate critique and act mercilessly. We confess the ways we demean and dehumanize others. We pray for your forgiveness. Amen.

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. Meghan Brown

◆ HYMN 407

Spirit Divine, Attend our Prayers *Nun Danket All und Bringet Ehr*

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

Deacon Casey Nolan

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 66:16-20 and Micah 6:6-8

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Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

The Prayers I Make

Jane Marshall (b. 1924)

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 6:5-14

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Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

*The Privilege, the Priority, the Price,
and the Promise of Prayer*

Rev. Dr. Margaret Grun Kibben

◆ HYMN 444

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

Detroit

◆ 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

Hear My Prayer, O Lord

Antonín Dvořák (1841-1904)

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

◆ HYMN 739

O for a Closer Walk with God

Caithness

◆ BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

My Soul is Waiting for You

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

POSTLUDE

Power of Life

Mons Leidvin Takle (b. 1942)

About Today's Service

About Today's Music: We welcome David Beatry to the organ loft, substituting for Mark. Steven Blondo, tenor section leader in the GPC choir, is the vocal soloist. The anthem “The Prayers I Make” is by Jane Marshall (b. 1924), a prolific sacred music 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.

About Rev. Dr. Margaret Grun Kibben: On January 3, 2021, Chaplain Margaret Grun Kibben was sworn in as the 62nd Chaplain of the United States House of Representatives, having served as a chaplain for over 30 years in the Navy and Marine Corps. Born and raised in Warrington, Pennsylvania, Chaplain Kibben graduated from Goucher College and received both her Master of Divinity and her Doctor of Ministry from Princeton Theological Seminary. Chaplain Kibben has served as a Fellow at the United States Institute of Peace and holds a master’s degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. In addition to Princeton Theological Seminary’s Board of Trustees, Dr. Kibben serves on the boards for the Inamori International Center for Ethics and Excellence, the World War II Foundation, and the Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation. Dr. Kibben is a faculty associate for Arizona State University’s School of Politics and Global Studies. Margaret is married to Lieutenant Colonel Timothy J. Kibben, USMC (Retired). They reside in Alexandria, Virginia. Margaret enjoys cycling, swimming, gardening, cooking, and reading.

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

Ushers: Karl Mattison (Captain), Doug Davies, Marianne Roos, Bill Krokowski, Lewis Mattison, Rob McLeod, and Fred Hart

Punch Bunch: Please join us in the Georgetown Room following worship for Punch Bunch hosted by Laura Speer

Children's Worship Leaders: Jennie Lopez, Michele Gast, and Esther Wisdom

Nursery Caregivers: Gamage Perera and Swarna Nawarantha

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 20

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

Tuesday, August 22

- 11:00am GPC Staff Meeting

Sunday, August 27

- 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

Interested in being a Confirmation Mentor this Fall?

Are you interested in accompanying young people on their spiritual journey? We are looking for mentors who: are open to supporting youth as they learn, question, and grow in their faith; are willing to share their own stories of faith and doubt; and are excited about building community with young people. Confirmation Class will run from September 24th through February 11th, with breaks over the holidays. Please reach out to Pastor Meghan if you are interested in participating or want more information.

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!

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).

Remember Niger Film Screening

All are invited to come watch a 20 minute documentary of the teachers striving to educate and students joyfully prepared to learn in Niger. The viewing will take place on September 15th at 7:00pm in the home of Camille and David Howe. Tickets are limited so get yours now at grownpres.org/serve.

Give

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To give of your time and talents, visit

gtownpres.org/timeandtalents.



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.

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:MaryBethRay@gmail.com) or [Charlotte Adamo](mailto:CharlotteAdamo@gmail.com).

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!

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

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.

Georgetown Saturday Suppers

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.

Daily Lectionary

Monday Mark 11: 12-26
Tuesday Psalms 123; 146
Wednesday 2 Samuel 18: 19-33
Thursday Acts 24: 1-23
Friday Psalms 32; 139
Saturday Mark 13: 1-13

Happy Birthday!

August 20 Nancy Benzing
Nathaniel Johnson
Katie Strohm
Maude Pollock
August 21 Martha Glenn
August 22 Tim Shirk
Jeff Broad
August 23 Keith Ausbrook
Henry Brooke
Spenser Smith
Catherine Johnson
Shelley Jennings
August 25 Paige Shirk
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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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