
THE
GEORGETOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Sunday, October 8, 2023, 11 a.m.

Ordinary Time

PRELUDE	Air and Variation in the Old English Style	Eric Thiman (1900-1975)
WELCOME	Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. People: And also with you.	
INTROIT	God is Gone Up With a Shout	Eric Thiman (1900-1975)
CALL to WORSHIP <i>from Psalm 113</i>	Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord. People: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore. Leader: From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised. Let us worship God.	
◆ HYMN 81	Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken	<i>Austria</i>

◆ *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: Merciful God, we confess that our confidence is often misplaced. We put our confidence in our abilities rather than in your love. We put our confidence in our belongings rather than in your generosity. We put our confidence in ourselves rather than in you. Forgive us and redirect us according to your Spirit and your will. Help us to follow your ways and find freedom in your heavenly calling. Open us to new levels of trust and joy as we press on towards your goal.

(silence)

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

BAPTISM

ARTHUR JOSEPH GOODELL

Son of

BRIAN and CHARLOTTE GOODELL

◆ HYMN 486

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Kingdom

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

Elder Susan Bell

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 80:7-15

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Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

God So Loved the World

John Stainer (1840-1901)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

On Loan from Jesus

Rev. Dr. Camille Cook Howe

◆ HYMN 215

What Wondrous Love Is This

Wondrous Love

◆ 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

Offertoire

Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

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 542

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

God Be With You

◆ BENEDICTION

RESPONSE I Have But Myself to Give Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

POSTLUDE Grand Choeur Théodore César Salomé (1834-1896)

About Today's Service

About Today's Music: The anthem “God so Loved the World” is by Sir John Stainer, an English composer and organist whose music, except for a select few pieces, is not as popular now as it was during his lifetime. The text of this piece is taken from John 3:16 and 17. It is a reminder of the central tenant of the plan of salvation: God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son.

Flowers: The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Brian and Charlotte Goodell in celebration of their son, Arthur Goodell, on the day of his baptism

Ushers: Liza Marshall (Captain), Tracy Davis, Ralph Voltmer, Steve Johnson, Cynthia Johnson, Jane Lewis, John Marshall, Bill McDermott, Mary Mintz, Cameron Giles, and Russell Scott

Punch Bunch: Please join us in the Georgetown Room following worship for Punch Bunch hosted by the Children’s Ministry Team

Children's Worship Leaders: Pastor Meghan, Jaime Hart, and Casey Nolan

Nursery Caregivers: Gamage Perera and Swarna Nawarantha

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Weekly Calendar

Sunday, October 8

- 9:45am Nursery
- 9:50am Confirmation Class
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 10:40am Singing with Ms. Regina
- 11:00am Worship**
- 12:00pm Punch Bunch
- 5:00pm Yoga*

Monday, October 9

Office Closed, Indigenous People's Day

Tuesday, October 10

- 11:00am GPC Staff Meeting

Wednesday, October 11

- 7:30pm Psalms Bible Study (Virtual)*

Sunday, October 15

- 9:45am Nursery
- 9:50am Confirmation Class
- 10:00am Sunday School, Sandwich Making
- 10:40am Singing with Ms. Regina
- 11:00am Worship**
- 12:00pm Church Picnic - Rose Park
- 5:00pm Yoga*

**Event will be conducted virtually.*

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

Announcements

Weekly Men's Bible Study

You're invited to participate in a small group for men of all ages. Each week we will dedicate time to Biblical study and discussion, sharing developments in our spiritual lives, and prayer. The group will meet weekly on Tuesday nights at 8 pm at Warner Lamar's house: 1518 Caroline Street NW. Please contact Warner (ewarnerlamar@gmail.com) or Pastor Meghan for more information.

Nominations for New Class Officers

The Nominating Committee invites recommendations for candidates to the new Class of Elders and Deacons that begins January, 2024. Please submit your nomination of a member of the Congregation, or a self-nomination, by completing the Nominating forms available in the sanctuary - or the online form at gtownpres.org/committees. The deadline for nominations is Sunday, October 15th. Contact the nominating team chair, Roy Henwood, with any questions.

Sandwich Making

GPC is glad to support the guests at Georgetown Ministry Center by providing sandwiches to GMC each month. These will be served at the drop-in center during the week. Please join us for another sandwich making session in the Georgetown Room at 10 am on Sunday, October 15. All ages are welcome! If you are able to drop off the sandwiches at GMC on Monday, October 16, please reach out to Claire Hunn or Jennie Lopez.

Intergenerational Men's Group-First Meeting

Tuesday, October 24th from 6:30-9:00 pm. GPC is looking to form an Intergenerational Men's Group to provide fellowship and support the faith journeys of men of all ages and stages of life. We'll begin at 6:30 pm with dinner and fellowship and follow with a discussion at 7:30 pm. We'll discuss individual and group goals, desired format, possible topics, as well as resources and support needed. While the group is organized for and about men, all are welcome. Bring your thoughts, ideas, - and most importantly — yourself! Contact Jay Grauberger, Warner Lamar, or Pastor Meghan for more information.

Save the Date

October 29th the new president of Princeton theological seminary, Rev Dr. Jonathan Lee Walton, will preach at GPC at the 11:00 am service.

Psalms: Bringing Our Whole Self to God

The writers of the psalms brought all their emotions to God: their joys and sorrows, their hopes and fears, their anger, their guilt, their wonder. Reading the psalms gives us confidence that God hears us when we feel the same. This Virtual Bible study continues every Wednesday until October 25. We'll reflect on Psalm 73 on October 11 at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome-each week is a stand alone study on a Psalm-so join us for some or all sessions! Contact facilitators Esther and Alan Wisdom or Pastor Meghan to join.

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Serve

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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.

Worship

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

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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!

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 Saturday, Oct 28, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

Learn

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.

Confirmation Class: Confirmation class runs weekly from September through February for interested Youth in sixth grade and up. Class is led by Pastor Meghan at 10:00 am in the Youth Room.

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 Jennie to be added to the list (JDL@gtownpres.org)

Nursery

Our church nursery is open every Sunday from 9:45am-12:15pm. 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.

Adult Education

Next Sunday, Adult Education will host a class on the Book of Job, taught by Professor Paul Cho of Wesley Theological Seminary. Join us at 9:45am in the Washington Room or on Zoom! (Meeting ID: 832 4436 8712 //Passcode: 457026)

Daily Lectionary

<i>Monday</i>	Matthew 8:28-34
<i>Tuesday</i>	Matthew 9:1-8
<i>Wednesday</i>	Psalms 1; 33
<i>Thursday</i>	1 Corinthians 12:1-11
<i>Friday</i>	1 Corinthians 12:12-26
<i>Saturday</i>	Jeremiah 35:1-19

Happy Birthday!

<i>October 9</i>	Rupert Denney Katie Seaman Gerardo Martinez
<i>October 10</i>	Winston Haythe Maddie Lavigne
<i>October 11</i>	Christopher Griswold Lawson Edwards
<i>October 12</i>	Tom Leachman
<i>October 13</i>	Tessa Glenn Gerrit Lansing Teddy Supple Coleman Hawkins

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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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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