



THE  
GEORGETOWN  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

## WORSHIP

April 8, 2018 | 11 a.m.  
Second Sunday of Easter  
Baptism

PRELUDE Allegro (Concerto for Organ in F Major, HWV 292)

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

### WELCOME

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

### MINUTE FOR CLERK OF SESSION R. HENWOOD

### RECIT

Isaiah 53:8

*He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgressions of Thy  
people was He stricken.*

Matthew Heil, tenor

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Adapted from Luke 24*

Leader: Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise  
from the dead on the third day,

**All: and that the repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be  
proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from  
Jerusalem.**

Leader: You are witnesses of these things.

**All: Let us worship God.**



✠Please stand or sit.

*As a courtesy to others, please turn off your cell phone and no 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:

**All: Lord, we confess to you that we have sinned in thoughts, words, and actions. We have not served you with our whole hearts, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We proclaim the new life of the resurrection, yet we live in the old ways of death and darkness. Only you can save us. In your mercy, forgive our sins, mend our brokenness, and lead us to everlasting life, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. (Silent prayer)**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News.

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

✠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.**

BAPTISM

JANE MCKEE FLYNN

DAUGHTER OF

KELLY AND ASA FLYNN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*Children recess up the center aisle to Children's Worship. Pre-K goes upstairs, K-2<sup>nd</sup> goes downstairs, and 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> go to the Chapel. There are leaders for each, and children can be picked up by following the signs from the narthex.*

✠HYMN 247

Now the Green Blade Rises

Noël Nouvelet

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Crystal Espie

FIRST LESSON

Acts 4:32-35

p. 126

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## ARIA

Psalm 16:10

*But Thou didst not leave His soul in hell; nor didst Thou suffer Thy Holy One  
to see correction.*

Christian Hoff, tenor

## CHORUS

Psalm 24:7-10

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors;  
and the King of Glory shall come in.*

*Who is this King of Glory? The Lord strong and mighty,  
The Lord mighty in battle.*

*The Lord of Hosts, He is the King of Glory.*

## SECOND LESSON

Mark 16:9-20

p. 56

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## SERMON

Life after Resurrection

Rev. Rachel Landers Vaagenes

## ✦HYMN 257

The Risen Christ

*Woodlands*

## ✦AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*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 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.**

## OFFERING

ARIA

Hebrews 1:5

*Unto which of the angels said He at any time:  
"Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee?"*

Matthew Heil, tenor

CHORUS

Hebrews 1:6

*Let all the angels of God worship Him.*

✠DOXOLOGY (Glory to God, #607)

*Old Hundredth*

**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 254      That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright      *Puer Nobis Nascitur*

✠BENEDICTION

RESPONSE      I Long to Behold Him Arrayed      G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

POSTLUDE      Allegro (Concerto for Organ in F Major, HWV 292)  
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Did you know?

The oldest manuscripts of the Gospel of Mark end at verse 16:8, "...and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid." Strong arguments can be made to say that verse 16:8 was the true ending of Mark, but it must have left believers unsatisfied, because there are slightly later manuscripts (2-3c. CE) with alternate endings. Today we read 16:9-20, the "Longer Ending of Mark," which draws from the traditions that make up the three other gospels. Mary Magdalene at the tomb and Jesus on the road to Emmaus (Lk 24); the Great Commission (Mt 28); the terms "belief" and "signs" which are associated with John. The themes, language, and content differ greatly from the rest of Mark's gospel, but nevertheless are included [[in brackets]] in our Bibles today. - Pastor Rachel

# WELCOME

Our congregation has been welcoming members and visitors to worship on the Lord's Day since March 16, 1780. If you are visiting this morning, we extend a special welcome to you and invite you to introduce yourself to one of the pastors or speak with an usher if you have any questions. If you are looking for a church home and would like to talk with one of the pastors, please fill out the fellowship pad in the pew today or call the church office.

**Today's Music:** The music today is from Scenes 2 and 3 from Part 2 of the Messiah, concerned with Christ's sacrificial death on the cross, resurrection, and ascension.

**The flowers in the Chancel** today are dedicated to the glory of God.

**Thank you** to all the Spectacular Floral Workshop participants for the wonderful Easter flowers:

Patricia Berl	Anne Hager	Christine Miller	Rebecca Stewart
Megan Brew	Tim Hunt	Saskia Miller	
Karen Brown	Darla Jackson	Barbara Nagi	
Catherine Elwell	Nancy Kuhn	Molly Roll	
Samantha Gilman	Katy McBride	Nancy Roll	

**The ushers for April** are Liza Marshall (Captain), Tracy Davis, Steve and Cynthia Johnson, Jane Lewis, John and Emma Marshall, Mary Mintz, Ralph and Stokley Voltmer, and Jaime Wamble.

**Today after the service** all are invited to join us in the Georgetown Room for Lunch Bunch hosted by Ashley Mattison.

**Assisted listening devices** may be found at the back of the sanctuary. Each device comes with a headset, but you may bring your own from home to plug in. Please let the ushers know if you have any problems.

## Children's Worship

During the service, Children's Worship continues after *Time with Children*.

- Pre-K goes upstairs to *Early Children's Worship*
- K-2<sup>nd</sup> grades go downstairs to *Intermediate Children's Worship*
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades go to the Chapel for *Older Children's Worship*

Children should be collected by their parents immediately after the service. All children are welcome to remain with their families in the service and age-appropriate worship bags are available in the narthex.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Highlights

### Youth Sunday

Save the date for an exciting worship service lead by the GPC Youth Group on **April 29**.

### Yoga at GPC

Join us in the narthex every Sunday from 5-6:30pm for gentle yoga and stretching at your own pace. Our classes are led by our wonderful and professionally trained instructor Lynn Liebreich. Cost is \$25 per class. Hope to see you there! Email [mbray4526@gmail.com](mailto:mbray4526@gmail.com) for details.

## Fellowship

### Young Adult Events

**April 19** - Dinner and discussion hosted by Megan Brew. Please RSVP to [Paperless Post](mailto:PaperlessPost@marissabaly@gmail.com) or [marissabaly@gmail.com](mailto:marissabaly@gmail.com).

**May 6** - Save the date for a potluck brunch after church with Mark Willey on music and theology. Stay tuned for location details and a forthcoming invitation.

## Stewardship

Last call for 2018 Stewardship campaign pledges. We need **25** more pledges to meet our goal. Please email [bookkeeper@gtownpres.org](mailto:bookkeeper@gtownpres.org) with your pledge and become eligible for gifts at our reception on **Sunday, April 15**.

## Mission

### G'town Sat/Sun Dinners

Please join us second Sundays at GPC and last Saturdays at Mt. Zion UMC as we serve our neighbors in need. The next date is **today**. Sign up to serve at GPC on **May 13** at [gtownpres.org/serve](http://gtownpres.org/serve).

## Education

### Adult Education

#### Sundays @ 9:45

**April 8 & 15** - Prof. David Little discusses "Hong Kong and the Controversy over Asian vs. Western Values."

**April 22** - What is next for Christian Ed at GPC? Rev. Vaagenes leads an interactive discussion about themes, leadership development, and the growing educational needs for children and families, young adults, seniors, and beyond.

**April 29** - Former Deacon Edit Frenyo and a panel of GPC members will discuss "Young Adults Ministry at GPC," including their role in a two-year Wesley Theological Seminary study program concerning what makes for a successful Young Adults Ministry.

### Elementary Sunday School @ 9:45

Countdown to the Ten Commandments! Children countdown from 10 with creative stories, lessons, competitions, and praise music.

### Youth Group/ART Sundays

#### 5-7pm

**April 8** - "30-hour Famine" GPC Youth raise money to combat hunger at a church lock-in with **NO FOOD!**

**April 15** - Youth Sunday Prep

**April 22** - Youth Sunday Prep

**April 29** - Youth Sunday! (No evening YG)



Georgetown Presbyterian Church is a founding member and supporter of the Reformed Institute of Metropolitan Washington.

## Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, April 8

- 9:30am Nursery Opens  
9:45am Confirmation Class  
Adult Education  
Elementary Education  
10am Romans Bible Study  
11am Worship - Baptism  
11:15am Children's Worship  
12pm Lunch Bunch  
5pm Yoga  
4pm Youth Group  
4pm G'town Sunday Dinner

### Tuesday, April 10

- 9:30am GPC Staff Meeting

### Wednesday, April 11

- 12pm Lenten Bible Study

### Friday, April 13

- 10:30am Music for Tots

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## Daily Readings

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>John 20:19-31</b>
Monday	Hebrews 10:4-10
Tuesday	1 John 2:12-17
Wednesday	Mark 12:18-27
Thursday	Psalm 4
Friday	Daniel 10:2-19
Saturday	Acts 3:1-10
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Luke 24:36b-48</b>

### Welcome Baby Henry!

GPC Members Missye and Brian Knapp welcomed Henry Widmer Knapp on February 27.

## Church Staff

### Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Camille Cook Murray  
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## Happy Birthday

- April 9 Dru Crawley  
Evangeline Vaagenes  
April 11 Avery Hinzman  
Ralph Voltmer  
April 12 Mark Willey  
April 13 Barton Holmes  
Eleanor Schinnerer  
April 14 Andrew Jones  
Brian Sumner  
April 15 Diane Carvin

## OUR HISTORY

The Georgetown Presbyterian Church began in 1760 as a small group of worshipers and organized into a church in 1780 under the eminent Stephen Bloomer Balch, Revolutionary War soldier and pupil of religious leader John Witherspoon. It was the first Presbyterian Church in what was to become modern-day Washington, DC, and is the oldest DC church of any denomination with an unbroken ministry. Until long after the national capital was established, many of Washington's baptisms, weddings and funerals were solemnized in our church. People of all denominations worshiped with us, including many leaders of the young republic.

In 1782 our congregation erected the first – and for many years the only – Protestant church building in Georgetown. Additions were made in 1794 with Thomas Jefferson among the contributors. A rare charter, still in effect, was granted in 1806 to “the Presbyterian Congregation in George Town” by an act of Congress signed by President Jefferson. In 1810 our seal, with its seven stars and Bible, was given to the church by the superintendent of the Mint.

Our church pioneered in both the religious and cultural life of this community. In 1781, Dr. Balch became headmaster of the Columbian Academy to which George Washington sent his nephews and wards, and later a school for girls was founded. Dr. Balch wrote the first book published in the District of Columbia and he helped found the first public library. Out of our church and under Dr. Balch's broad-minded leadership, Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian churches were established in Washington and Maryland.

Our church bell tolled all day when President Washington died. In our church George Washington Parke Custis, grandson of Martha Washington and father-in-law of Robert E. Lee, delivered a speech on Napoleon's defeat. Memorial services for President William Henry Harrison were conducted here in 1841. During the Civil War, our building became a hospital for both Union and Confederate soldiers, including casualties from the Second Battle of Manassas and the Battle of Fredericksburg. In these and in other ways, this church identifies with the history of the nation it continues to serve.

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