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GEORGETOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
— CHURCH —

WORSHIP

July 30, 2017 10 a.m.
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE Introduction and Chorale Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

WELCOME

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

People: And also with you.

INTROIT For All the Faithful Women Finnish folk melody
Aaron Tucker, tenor; Jim Williams, baritone

CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 105*

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

All: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

All: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.

Leader: Let us worship God.

✠HYMN 620 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven *Lauda Anima*



✠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: Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. (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.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

BAPTISM CHARLES BERNARD BERRANG

Son of

ASHLEY AND ALEX BERRANG

Kids recess up the center aisle to Young Children and Worship (2s-2nd grade) and Children's Church (1st-5th grades). Children are always welcome to remain in the worship service.

✠HYMN 260 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus *Hyfrydol*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Elder Cynthia Farrell Johnson

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 10:38-42 (pp. 73-74)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Be Glad, O Ye Righteous Elmer Samuel Hosmer (1862-1945)

GOSPEL LESSON John 11:17-27 (p. 108)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *In Defense of Martha* Rev. Christopher Chatelaine-Samsen

✠HYMN 697 *Take My Life* *Hendon*

✠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

Today's prayer was written by a Leadership Intensive participant.

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

OFFERTORY *My Lord and Savior* Tom Fettke (b. 1941)

✠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 826 *Lift High the Cross* *Crucifer*

✠BENEDICTION (*Please be seated after the Benediction*)

RESPONSE *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* Edwin Hatch (1835-1889)

POSTLUDE *Toccata* Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

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: Aaron Tucker and Jim Williams, two of the section leaders from GPC's choir, are the vocalists for this morning's worship service. The anthem and offertory are duets by American composers separated by generations. Elmer Samuel Hosmer (1862-1945) was a native of Massachusetts who composed primarily church music and several patriotic cantatas, including one about Christopher Columbus. His style was influenced by the American classicism musical movement which tipped it towards the German Romantic tradition as embodied by Felix Mendelssohn, Johannes Brahms and Robert Schumann.

A note on the Prayers for the People: Each Sunday this summer will feature a prayer written by a member of the Spring Leadership Intensive. Listen with fresh ears to the prayers today!

The baptismal wreath today is given by Ashley and Alex Berrang in honor of the baptism of their son, Charlie, and **flowers in the Chancel** are dedicated to Charlie's grandparents, Katherine Hahn and Nick Harris.

The ushers for July are Alex Bullock, Captain; Elizabeth Avery, Doug Hillhouse, Karl Mattison, Lauren Mattison, Charlotte Mattison, Lewis Mattison, Eva Mattison, Jack Porter, Russell Porter, David Roll, and Nancy Roll.

Today after the service all are invited to join us for punch bunch in the Georgetown Room.

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.

Readings are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible unless otherwise indicated. Blue Bibles are located at the end of each pew.

Children's Worship

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

- 2s-2nd grade, escorted by leader upstairs to the West Worship Room for *Young Children & Worship*
- 1st-5th grade, to Chapel for *Children's Church*

YCW children should be collected upstairs by their parents immediately after the service. Children's Church dismisses into the Georgetown Room. All children are welcome to remain with their families in the service and age-appropriate worship bags are available in the narthex.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Sermon Series Founders of Our Faith:

You think you know all there is to know about Noah? Why was Daniel in the Lion's Den? Which Mary was Magdalene again? These stories shaped our childhood faith, but are largely left out of our worship. This summer, reacquaint yourself with old friends who are much more complex than nursery rhymes and rainbows.

- July 2** | Noah and the Ark
- July 9** | Queen Esther
- July 16** | Daniel & the Lion's Den
- July 23** | Jonah and the Whale
- July 30** | Mary and Martha
- Aug 6** | Mary Magdalene
- Aug 13** | Zacchaeus
- Aug 20** | Nicodemus
- Aug 27** | The Woman at the Well

Miss a sermon? Read/Hear it at www.gtownpres.org/sermons

Kitchen Renovation

This summer, our 50-year-old kitchen is undergoing a much-needed renovation to greatly facilitate the many hospitality and mission events we sponsor each year. For info or to donate, please visit the website, pick up one of our information cards in the narthex, or email John Schuhart at graybeardcoaching@gmail.com.

New Musical Class for Tots!

Starting this fall we will launch a class of singing, bible stories, and dancing with our beloved children's music director Ms. Regina! The class will meet Friday mornings, starting September 15th in the Georgetown Room from 10:30am - 11:15am. The class is intended for children under age four and their caregivers. There is no cost for our fall session, which is open to members and friends of GPC. Help us spread the word. Visit gtownpres.org/connect/music-for-tots for more information and to register. Email any questions to totsmusic@gtownpres.org

Education

Gospel of Mark Bible Study Sundays 9 a.m.

Bible study continues over the summer! Childcare available.

Reformation@500 June to November 2017

Join us as we mark the birth of the Protestant Reformation: sermons, Bible studies, lectures, discussions, a movie, a gallery tour, and even a sing-along! For more info, pick up a handout in the narthex or visit www.gtownpres.org.

Young Adults (20s & 30s)

Dinner and Discussion

Aug. 3rd, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the home of Pat Davies (4435 29th St. NW). How do you share your faith with others? RSVP to zoe.ellen.williams@gmail.com.

Faith Day at National's Park Saturday, August 26th at 4pm

Nats face off against the Mets, followed by choral performances and player testimonials. Email Brian Boda at bboda@att.net to reserve a ticket by August 2nd. Tickets cost \$17/person.

Service

Operation Backpack

Mark your calendars for August 6 when we'll be packing backpacks for low-income DC students!

Georgetown Sat/Sun Dinners

Please join us second Sundays at St. John's Episcopal and last Saturdays at Mt. Zion UMC as we serve our neighbors in need. The next dates are Sunday, 8/14, and Saturday, 8/26. Sign up at gtownpres.org/serve.

In Our Father's House

*We are sad to announce the passing
of long-time GPC member*

Jay William Howard

June 4th, 1933 – July 22nd, 2017

Hospitality

Lunch and Punch Bunch

Our brand new kitchen is set to open in September! Help us host a Lunch or Punch bunch before the end of the year. To sign up, or for more details, go to gtownpres.org/serve/hospitality.

Flower Dedications

If you would like to dedicate flowers in memory or in honor of somebody, please call the church, or donate online at www.gtownpres.org/flowers.

Children's Worship

Children's Music this Summer.

This morning is the last week to meet in the Chapel before worship to sing with Ms. Regina. We'll pick back up in September with Sunday School!

Children's Worship Note

Children's Church for our younger kids (2s-K) continues all year long, but Children's Chapel (K-5th) takes a break in August. Worship bags are available for kids with age-appropriate materials in the narthex. All children and adult programming starts up again on September 10! For more info head to gtownpres.org/grow.

Happy Birthday

- July 30 Wesley Boatwright,
Nathaniel Semple
Aug 1 Caroline Vanvick, Betsy
White
Aug 3 Maximilian Lustig
Aug 4 Ginny Howard, Cyrus
Lippman
Aug 5 Mona Boatwright
Aug 6 Mildred Grant, Judy
Hopkins

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, July 30

- 9am Nursery opens
9am Sunday Morning Bible
9:45am Children Singing (Chapel)
10am Worship
10:15am Children's Worship
11am Punch Bunch
4pm Yoga

Tuesday, August 1

- 9:30am Staff meeting

Sunday, August 6

- 9am Nursery opens
9am Sunday Morning Bible
9:45am Children Singing (Chapel)
10am Worship (Lord's Supper)
10:15am Children's Worship
11am Punch Bunch
11am Operation Backpack
4pm Yoga

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Daily Readings

Sunday	Matthew 13:31-452
Monday	Psalm 65:8-13
Tuesday	Genesis 30:37-43
Wednesday	Mark 4:30-34
Thursday	Philippians 4:10-15
Friday	Isaiah 41:8-10
Saturday	Genesis 31:1-21
Sunday	Matthew 14:13-21



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

OUR HISTORY

The Georgetown Presbyterian Church began in 1760 as a small group of worshippers 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 worshipped 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. In 1821, President Monroe laid the cornerstone for the beautiful Bridge Street building which was moved fifty years later to our present site, where President Grant laid the cornerstone. This is the building which we have since restored and in which we now worship.

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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