

THE
GEORGETOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Sunday, August 11, 2019, 10 a.m.

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE Amazing Grace Gerald Near (b. 1942)

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

INTROIT This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

CALL to WORSHIP
Adapted from Psalm 34
Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be
in my mouth.
**People: I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me
from all my fears.**

Leader: Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be
ashamed.
**People: O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those
who take refuge in him.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

✦ HYMN 331 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand *National Hymn*

✦ *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: Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

(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

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

✦ HYMN 45

I To the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

Dundee

PRAYER *for* ILLUMINATION

Elder Dwight Smith

FIRST LESSON

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

p. 45

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Hear My Prayer, O Lord

Antonin Dvorak (1841-1904)

SECOND LESSON

Luke 6:27-31

p. 66

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Forgiveness, Can You Imagine?

Rev. Jennifer Dunfee

✦ HYMN 802

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

St Columba

✦ 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 and
OFFERTORY
Passing of the Fellowship Books

I Will Sing New Songs

Antonin Dvorak (1841-1904)

✦ DOXOLOGY
Glory to God, #607

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 DEDICATION

✦ HYMN 326

For All the Saints

Sine Nomine

✦ BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

Nearer My God to Thee

Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

POSTLUDE

Festive Trumpet Tune

David German (b. 1954)



NWB

About Today's Service

Today's Music: The vocal soloist this morning is Emily Shallbetter. She sings two selections from a sacred song cycle by Czech composer Antonin Dvořák. This cycle sets a series of ten texts, selected from the Book of Psalms. Biblical Songs were written between March 5 - 26, 1894, while Dvořák was living in New York City. It has been suggested that he was prompted to write them by news of a death (of his father Frantisek, or of the composers Tchaikovsky or Gounod, or of the conductor Hans von Bülow); but there is no good evidence for that, and the most likely explanation is that he felt out of place in the bustle of a big city, and that, after two years in America, he was homesick for Bohemia.

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

Thank you to the many volunteers who make Sundays possible.

Duty Usher: David Slentz

Ushers: Robert Bell (captain), Gibbs and Matthew Banks, Sharon Brooke, Margaret Carvin, Matthew Espie, Christine Rales, Jim Reese, and Berry Trimble

Punch Bunch: All are invited to join us after worship for punch bunch hosted by DC East Circle.

Sunday School Teachers, Children's Worship Leaders & Nursery Caregivers: Casey Nolan, Jaime Hart, Kuang Chiang, Brian Stocker, and Michele Gast

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Weekly Calendar

Sunday, August 11

9:30am Nursery Opens

10am Worship - Guest Preacher

11am Punch Bunch

4pm G'town Dinner

5pm Yoga

Tuesday, August 13

11am GPC Staff Meeting

Wednesday, August 14

6:30pm Nominating Committee Meeting

Sunday, August 18

9:30am Nursery Opens

10am Worship

11am Punch Bunch

5pm Yoga

Happy Birthday

Aug 11 Pamela Sorenson

Aug 12 Lucy Coble

Maddie Koch

Margie Leachman

Aug 13 Patricia Davis

Aug 14 Sarah Lehman

Aug 15 Randy Hopper

Kim Spurduto

Aug 16 Kate DeMoss

Matthew Lavin

Aug 17 Ian Simpson

Alexis Williams

Daily Readings

Sun Psalm 122

Mon Psalm 123

Tue Psalm 124

Wed Psalm 125

Thu Psalm 126

Fri Psalm 127

Sat Psalm 128

Sun Psalm 129

Announcement Highlights

Welcome **Rev. Jennifer Dunfee!** *Today's* guest preacher, Rev. Jen Dunfee, is outgoing chaplain at The National Presbyterian School, and the Associate Pastor for Care Ministries at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church. Prior to that call, she served as an associate pastor for youth and families for five years. Rev. Dunfee, her husband Andrew, and their three children, Acadia, Thomas and Anabel, live on the campus of The Madeira School, where Andrew is the Chair of the History Department.

Save the date for a **Baby Shower** honoring Pastor Chris and wife, Katie. We will shower the expecting parents after worship on *Sunday, September 15*. Registry details can be found at www.amazon.com/baby-reg under "Chatelaine-Samsen."

The Sound Board Team Needs You! The Worship Committee is looking for volunteers to join the Sound Board team. Help us make sure our worship services come through loud and clear on Sunday mornings — and are recorded for members of the broader GPC community to access on our website. Join this important ministry and help the Word be heard! If you are interested, please email Jay Grauberger at jay.grauberger@verizon.net.

Nursery Relocation: Attention parents of children ages 0-3! Our nursery has moved to the lower level Youth Room for the summer, while our Growing UP renovation takes place upstairs. Ushers are available to help you locate the nursery.

Free Mugs! In the process of clearing the undercroft we discovered hundreds of GPC Mugs. Help yourself to as many mugs as you would like in the Georgetown Room, after church *today!* They make a great gift or accent to any cupboard!

Summer Worship Time! Please note our 10:00 a.m. summer worship service will continue through *September 1*. We will resume 11:00 a.m. worship on *September 8*.

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Join fellow **Young Adults** at a summer soiree on *August 23*! We will have a casual evening of food and fellowship hosted by Mary Beth and Sheldon Ray. RSVP to the paperless post or contact Pastor Chris for more information.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR
KICK-OFF SUNDAY**

September 8, 10 a.m.

Hear the state-of-the church and look at the year ahead in this important church-wide meeting during Rev. Cook's "Town Hall."

Childcare and Sunday School will be available.
Stay tuned for details.

100 Psalms for Summer Want to receive daily scriptures in your inbox from the Book of Psalms? Email info@gtownpres.org to sign up!

Summer Break! Adult Ed, Sunday School, and Youth Group are on a break until September. Children's Worship continues year-round. Thank you to all of the dedicated volunteers! See you in the fall!

Servegtownpres.org/serve

Serve a meal to our neighbors in need. Second Sundays at GPC, and last Saturdays at Mt. Zion UMC, we serve over 80 women and men. Sign-up at gtownpres.org/serve to serve at our dinners on *August 11* and *31*. Our long-standing ministry to our Georgetown neighbors is always ready to welcome new volunteers!

GPC is NOW accepting paperback literary donations for the **Free Minds Book Club and Writing Workshop!** Free Minds Book Club works with incarcerated and formerly incarcerated youths and adults to introduce them to the power of books and creative writing. See the list of suggested genres in the narthex and Georgetown Room.

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.
- Assisted listening devices can be found in the back of the Sanctuary in a marked basket.
- Please join us after worship for a time of fellowship and food.

Children are always welcome!

- If you need to step out, there is a room near the front doors with resources for small children and a television that shows the service. For older children, there are purple bags near the front doors with coloring supplies.
- For our youngest children through 2 years old, child 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 one of the pastors 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 (but not required) to stand.
- 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.



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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