

THE
GEORGETOWN
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Sunday, September 15, 2019, 11 a.m.

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE	Prelude on 'St. Columba'	Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)
WELCOME	Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. People: And also with you.	
INTROIT	The King of Love My Shepherd Is	Gaelic Melody
CALL to WORSHIP <i>Adapted from Psalm 51</i>	Leader: You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. People: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Leader: Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. People: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Leader: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Let us worship God.	
✦ HYMN 401	Here in This Place	<i>Gather Us In</i>

✦ *Please stand or sit.*

As a courtesy to others, please silence 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: O Holy One, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times, O God, when we fail to recognize you in the dailyness of our lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we degrade our own wisdom. Holy God, remind us again of your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to live honestly, to act courageously, and to speak from our wisdom. (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 836

Abide With Me

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PRAYER *for* ILLUMINATION

Elder Rick Lawson

FIRST LESSON

Philemon 1-10

p. 233

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

All the Good

Rev. Rachel Landers Vaagenes

✦ HYMN 803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Resignation

✦ 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

My Eyes for Beauty Pine

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Passing of the Fellowship Books

✦ 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

COMMISSIONING of JIM BENNETT

✦ HYMN 761

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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✦ BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

Goodness and Mercy All My Life

Jessie Seymour Irvine (1836-1887)

POSTLUDE

Toccata

Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)



About Today's Service

Today's Music: The theme of a shepherd threads throughout today's service from the organ prelude through the responses and the anthem and offertory. The anthem, "The King of Love My Shepherd Is," is an example of the type of modification hymn writers have made to the Psalms to incorporate Christ into the text of these Old Testament verses.

The flowers in the Chancel today are dedicated by Nancy Kuhn and Roy Henwood to the memory of Charles R. Kuhn, Sr., on what would have been his 97th birthday.

Thank you to the many volunteers who make Sundays possible.

Duty Usher: Vicki Pedrick

Ushers: Cristian Lopez (captain), Nancy Benzing, Gillian Frey, Mildred Grant, Mary Margaret Hart, Shelley Jennings, Matt Lavin, Jennifer Lopez, Gerardo Martinez, Deborah McFadden, Priscila Rodriguez, Nat Semple, Laura Welch, and Marjorie West

Punch Bunch: All are invited to join us after worship for a Baby Shower honoring first-time expecting parents, Pastor Chris and wife, Katie. Congratulations!

Sunday School Teachers, Children's Worship Leaders & Nursery Caregivers: Regina Andrade, Gamage Perera and Swarna Nawarathna (nursery); Paige McDermott, Casey Nolan, Megan Kennedy (Sunday school), Brian Stocker, Gonzalo Ferro, Alex Scott, and Sharon Gibson

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Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 15

- 9:30am Nursery Opens
- 9:45am Adult Education
- 10am Annual Pancake Breakfast
- 11am Worship
- 12pm Baby Shower for Pastor Chris & Katie
- 12:15pm Christian Formation Task Force Mtg
- 5pm Youth Group/ART
- 5pm Yoga

Tuesday, September 17

- 11am GPC Staff Meeting

Wednesday, September 18

- 5:30pm Dinner Church

Thursday, September 19

- 6:30pm Session Meeting

Sunday, September 22

- 9:30am Nursery Opens
- 9:45am Adult Education
- 10am Dinner Church Founders' Council
- 11am Worship
- 12:15pm Refugee Information Meeting
- 5pm Youth Group/ART
- 5pm Yoga

Happy Birthday

- Sep 15* Finlay Murray, Chandler Smith
- Sep 16* Jessica Bowman
- Sep 17* Jolene Blozis, David Jackson
- Sep 18* Lydia Lansing, Kay Lippman
- Sep 20* Meredith Hill
- Sep 21* Charlie Alexander

Daily Readings

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| <i>Sun</i> | <i>Exodus 32:7-14</i> | <i>Thu</i> | <i>Romans 3:1-8</i> |
| <i>Mon</i> | <i>Amos 7:1-6; 1</i> | <i>Fri</i> | <i>Jeremiah 8:1-13</i> |
| <i>Tue</i> | <i>Peter 3:8-13</i> | <i>Sat</i> | <i>Mark 12:41-44</i> |
| <i>Wed</i> | <i>Job 40:6-14</i> | <i>Sun</i> | <i>Psalms 51:1-10</i> |

Announcement Highlights

Join us in praying for the family of longtime GPC member, **Naomi Bradshaw**, who entered **Our Father's House** on *September 11*. There will be no memorial service. Visitation details to come.

Join us for a **Baby Shower** honoring Pastor Chris and wife, Katie. We will shower the expecting parents *today* after worship.

The **Long-Range Planning Committee** is preparing for GPC's upcoming 250th anniversary and wants to hear from YOU! Please take a few minutes to complete the survey in the narthex today.

Have you seen our **New Website**? Visit gtownpres.org today to see our new look!

Nursery Relocation: Attention parents of children ages 0-3! Our nursery has moved to the lower level Youth Room while we prepare the third floor. Ushers are available to help you locate the nursery. Nursery care will move upstairs beginning *next Sunday, September 22*.

Join us for **Dinner Church** on *September 18* at 5:30 p.m. A table where meals, conversations, and lives are shared at St. Luke's Mission Center, 3655 Calvert St NW. Bring a friend and fixins' for tacos!

Save the date for the **Mt. Zion Pulpit Swap** on *September 29*! Dress casual as we welcome Rev. Selena Johnson for a panel discussion. We will have a discussion at 9:45 a.m., and worship service at 11 a.m., followed by the 12 p.m. BBQ at Rose Park, 2609 Dumbarton St NW.

Join your GPC friends at our **Annual Church BBQ** after worship on *September 29* at Rose Park, 2609 Dumbarton Street NW. Sign up in the narthex today or email matthew.espie@gmail.com!

Join the **Young Adults** at the Annual Kick-Off Dinner & Discussion, *September 26*, at 7 p.m. RSVP at gtownpres.org.

YA Women's Book Club will be meeting again on *October 10* to discuss "Jesus Freak" by author Sara Miles. Come at 6 p.m. to make dinner together or join later for the discussion at 7 p.m.! We will meet at GPC in the Georgetown Room. RSVP to the Paperless Post or email jkutner@wellesley.edu for questions!

Music for Tots is in session! Caregivers and tots (ages 0 - 4) are invited for a weekly Friday class of singing, Bible stories, and dancing! Sign up today at gtownpres.org/music-for-tots.

Learn*gtownpres.org/learn*

Adult Ed, *Sundays* at 9:45 a.m.

Sep 15 Sabbatical Report from Rev. Vaagenes. Come hear of her harrowing adventures battling snakes, challenging the evangelical patriarchy, climbing volcanoes, and flying into hyperspace. PLUS, get a look at the program year ahead: Grace in 4 Movements, Dinner Church, Den... and more!

Sep 22 Rev. Chatelaine-Samsen will discuss 2019-20 plans for mission and young adults

Sep 29 Annual Pulpit Swap with Rev. Cook and Rev. Selena Johnson at Mt. Zion UMC

Youth Group, *Sundays* at 5 p.m.

Sep 15 YG Kick-Off Party

Sep 22 YG

Sep 29 NO YG

Oct 6 YG

Oct 13 NO YG

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 help us serve dinners *today and September 28*.

September is all about **Refugees and Migration!**

This year, GPC helped improve over 30 refugee families' independence in the last year — by donating sewing kits, fabrics, over 20 sewing machines, volunteering in a women's sewing class, and donating household items, such as detergent and hygiene kits, to Lutheran Social Services. On *September 22*, we will hear more about our church's work with refugee families. Also on that date, you are invited to attend an after-church meeting at which you can learn more about how you can support these efforts. Save the date and join us for an evening with Allyson McKinney to discuss **Migration and Human Rights** on *September 25* at 7 p.m., more details to come.

Worship*gtownpres.org/worship*

Grace, In Four Movements - Beginning *October 6*, and over the next year, we'll take a close look at four complex Biblical characters - Jacob, Jeremiah, Mary, and John of Patmos - and see how God's grace sustained them, and continues to sustain us. We'll hear sermons on each character, take a deep dive in Bible study, provide education for all ages, read daily Bible scriptures, and hear music inspired by and about all four. By the end, we hope you will understand that grace takes many forms, but never lets us go. Learn more at gtownpres.org/Grace.

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, childcare 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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