

Davidson College Presbyterian Church

A Day for Dancing By Lloyd Pfautsch



We are the body of Christ—
worshipping, learning, serving,
loving, giving—
seeking to realize God's vision for the world.

DCPC Vision Statement

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR December 18-December 25

Sunday, December 18
 8:30am Worship Service Sanctuary
 9:45am Worship Service Lingle Chapel
 9:30am Coffee at the Chapel Corner of Lingle Chapel
 9:45/11:00am Sunday School Various
 11:00am Worship Service Sanctuary
 12:15pm Session Meeting Upper Room
 5:00pm Youth Christmas Party Congregation House
 5:00pm Geneva Choir Choir Room

Monday, December 19
 7:00am AA Jetton Hall
 9:30am Shalom Study Group Room 207
 7:00pm AA Jetton Hall
 7:00pm Brass Rehearsal Sanctuary

Tuesday, December 20
 8:00am Brindisi Bible Study Parlor
 7:00pm Planning Committee Library

Wednesday, December 21
 7:00am AA Jetton Hall
 10:00am Davidson Career Transition Program DUMC
 11:30am Intercessory Prayer Parlor
 6:30pm Christmas Caroling Congregation House
 7:00pm Session Meeting Upper Room
 8:30pm Music Team Lingle Chapel

Thursday, December 22
 7:30pm Chancel Choir Choir Room
 6:45pm Brass Rehearsal Sanctuary

Friday, December 23
 7:00am Men's Study Group Parlor
 7:00pm AA Jetton Hall

Saturday, December 24
 4:00pm Family Christmas Eve Service Sanctuary
 7:30pm Traditional Candle Lighting Christmas Eve Service Sanctuary
 11:00pm Traditional Candle Lighting with Communion Sanctuary


Sunday, December 25
 11:00am Worship Service Sanctuary

HOLIDAYS can be a time of sadness for many of us due to the loss of a loved one. For this holiday season, content has been added to LingleChapel.org which provides prayers and information to help get through this time of the year. Additionally, there are also prayers designed to complement a personal candle lighting experience in remembrance of a loved one. Lingle Chapel...Comfort, Peace and Sanctuary this holiday season.

DCPC FINANCIAL UPDATE			
	November	YTD	
Receipts	\$150,312	1,322,493	
Expenses	\$113,157	1,356,597	
Over/(Under)	\$ 37,155	(34,104)	

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE				
	8:30	9:45	11:00	Total
12/11/2016	95	145	186	426

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TODAY The singing of carols and reading the story of the prophecy and birth of Christ have been a traditional part of the Christmas celebration for many years. "A Day for Dancing" presents carols which rehearse the story told in the Christmas lessons. While the music is contemporary, the texts are traditional English, German, Spanish, some dating back to the fifteenth century. In keeping with their medieval heritage, the carols are meant to accompany dancing, since in that pre-literate time, the message could only come across by visual and aural means. Just as music heightens the meaning of the spoken word, interpretive movement provides a double impact for the text. The performance is festive yet simple, so that the imagination of the audience may be attracted to and aroused by the story which is sung and danced.

WELCOME CHILDREN 8:30 a.m.- All childcare, room 14. 11 a.m.- Ages 0-2 in room 14. A cry room with radio broadcast is available in room 13. Children ages 3-4 are encouraged to sit with their parents until the Word for Children then may go with staff to childcare in room 118. Children's worship bags (coloring & reading for all ages) are available at the entrances. Please accompany your child should he/she need to leave the sanctuary. We are glad you are here!

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING A cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s, the Christmas Joy Offering is one of the four special offerings designated by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Undesignated gifts to the Christmas Joy Offering will be distributed equally to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to support student scholarships at Presbyterian-related racial ethnic schools and colleges.

DCPC YOUTH Our Youth Group Christmas Party is today from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Congregation House. We'll play some fun games, eat pizza, do a gift exchange and finish the evening by doing some good. Bring a white elephant gift (something laying around your house, nothing new please) and \$5! The second phase of confirmation will begin on January 8th at 6 pm. Parents and confirmands are invited to join us in Lingle Chapel as we begin our confirmation journey together. If there are any high school youth who have not been confirmed but would like to be, please contact Lib or Matt.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING Join us December 21. We will gather in the Congregation House at 6:30 p.m. and travel by foot to visit the neighborhoods around downtown Davidson. Dress appropriately for the weather and plan on being out about 1 hour. All ages are welcome. After caroling we will gather back at the Congregation House for snacks and warm drinks. Please bring a snack to share.

CLOTHING DONATIONS NEEDED Lydia's Loft in Huntersville is one of the biggest clothing banks in the region, assisting thousands of needy families referred from other service agencies each year. Lydia's Loft has plenty of clothing but is out of new underwear and socks in all sizes! Please place brand new underwear, new socks and new or gently used towels and sheets in the marked blue collection bins throughout the month of January, in the hall near the church office. Please contact Anne Cooper with any questions at annescooper@att.net.

ATTENTION DCPC COLLEGE STUDENTS! Your leadership is needed for the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service! It is a joy and a privilege to lead worship; it's also a chance to use your gifts to give back to God... and to give to the people of God. Please contact Claire George-Drumheller if you would like to participate (cgeorge.drumheller@dcpc.org).

CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT January 20-22, 2017. Worldchanging 101: Faithful and effective engagement with a hurting world. David LaMotte, Keynote speaker. Sign up brochures are available at the information center or at www.dcpc.org.

PICTURES FOR THE ONLINE DIRECTORY will be taken by Monica Galloway on January 29, February 5 and February 26 following the 8:30, 9:45 and 11:00 service outside of Lingle Chapel. She will be ready to quickly snap a great family or individual photo for the DCPC online directory. If you already have a favorite picture of you and/or your family, please send a jpeg to Stephanie Rollans (srollans@dcpc.org).

THANK YOU The Campus Ministry Committee extends a hearty "THANK YOU" to all the DCPC cookie bakers who provided the delicious treats for the Cookie Study Break on December 8. A good time was had by all!