

A Service For The Worship Of God

4th Sunday in Lent, March 26, 2017

8:30 a.m. in Lingle Chapel and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Gathering Around the Word

PRELUDE Wondrous Love Gordon Young

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION Nominating Committee

*CALL TO WORSHIP Based on Psalm 147
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody with songs of praise.

God covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.

God gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.

God's delight is not in the strength of the horse nor is God's pleasure in the speed of a runner.

God takes pleasure in those who worship and hope in God's steadfast love.

Let us worship God.

*HYMN 32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God ELLACOMBE

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Holy God, you call us to live in mystery and to walk by faith, yet we are addicted to our own plans and schedules. You call us to place our trust in you, yet we continue to regard life from a human point of view. Forgive us, and show us how to live according to your direction. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

Silent Prayers of Confession

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE No. 579 Kyrie Eleison Russian Orthodox
Kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison, kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Hearing the Word

(11:00) WORD FOR CHILDREN Come and See Marilyn Houser Hamm
(Children are invited to come forward.)

**“Come and see, come and see, I am the way and the truth,” said he.
“Follow me, follow me, come as a child, O come and see.”**

ANTHEM
(8:30) Brother James' Air Gordon Jacob
Geneva Choir; for text, see hymn 801
(11:00) God, You Enfold Me Caccini/Hopson
Junior Choir; Linda Dumizo, flute

God, you enfold me, God, you surround me, God, be in my feasting, O God, be in my thirsting. God be in my thinking, God, be in my speaking, God, be in my watching, God be in my waiting, God be in my heart, God be in my soul. Dona nobis pacem. God, you uphold me, God, you protect me, God, be in my sleeping, O God, be in my waking. God, be in my grieving, God, be in my gladness, God, be in my longing, God, be in my hoping. God be in my life, God, be my eternal home.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON I Samuel 16: 1-13

SERMON In Life and In Death We Belong to God: The Mystery of God's Ways
Lib McGregor Simmons

Responding to the Word

*HYMN 30 O God, in a Mysterious Way DUNDEE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 28
How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from God's love.

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MINUTE FOR MISSION Emily Hewes, CEPAD

THE OFFERING
(8:30) Ah, Holy Jesus J.S. Bach
(11:00) My Shepherd Will Supply My Need Virgil Thomson
Chancel Choir; for text, see hymn 803
(Please pass the fellowship register to the end of the pew and back at this time.)

*DOXOLOGY Hymn 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*HYMN 39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE No. 541 God Be with You Till We Meet Again
RANDOLPH

**God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE
(8:30) O Sacred Head, Now Wounded J.G. Walther
(11:00) Toccata on "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" David Cherwein

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher: Lib McGregor Simmons
Assisting Ministers: Robert Alexander, Mary Margaret Porter
Director of Music: Jane Cain
Associate Director of Music: David Brinson
Acolyte: Ketcher Honeycutt
Sound: Rick Cardenas
Ushers: David and Becky Swartz (8:30) John Lingle, George and Susan Burhans, Priscilla Perkins, Jack Ahearn (11:00)
Greeters: David and Tammy Pressly (8:30) Lynn and Marjorie Burris, Andy Beard, Pris and Scott Woodmansee (11:00)

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WE WELCOME YOU to Davidson College Presbyterian Church and trust that you will find God's presence here. When you cannot be here, join our live broadcast at 11 a.m. on WDAV 89.9 or www.wdav.org. or our livestream on Facebook. For more information: www.dpc.org or 704-892-5641.

WELCOME CHILDREN 8:30 a.m.- All childcare (ages 0-5) is located downstairs in room 14. 11 a.m.- The Nursery (birth-age 2) is downstairs, room 14. A cry room is available downstairs in room 13. The WDAV broadcast of the service will be playing. Feel free to come and go as needed. Parents of preschoolers (ages 3-5) please sign in with childcare in room 118 prior to worship. Children are encouraged to sit with their parents until the Word for Children. At that time preschoolers may go with staff to childcare. 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!

THE FLOWERS in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Allison Wehrung's ordination by her family.

THE CONGREGATION is invited to the ordination of Allison Wehrung to the office of Teaching Elder at 3 p.m. today.

SPIRITUAL YOGA 6-week yoga series during Lent led by Mardee Johnson. Sundays through April 9 at 5 p.m., in room 201. All levels. Bring a mat if you have one. All are welcome. Donations to offset the cost of instruction happily accepted. Come to any or all sessions. RSVP to srollans@dcpc.org for "Lenten Spiritual Yoga".

SAGES will have their "Odd month luncheon/program" on Monday, March 27. The gathering time will be 11:15 a.m. and lunch will be served at 11:30. Cost of the meal is \$8.00. John Ryan, our new associate pastor of faith formation, will have a program for us. Robert Alexander will show a video on our Nicaraguan partnership including interviews with participants of the 2015 mission trip. We hope all will join us for fun, fellowship, get to know John better, enjoy a good lunch prepared by Chef Betsy and learn more about our church's mission in Nicaragua. Invite your friends and neighbors. See you then!

DCPC BOOK CLUB The March meeting of The DCPC Book Club will be held on Monday, March 27th at 7:30 PM (away). The book to be discussed is "The Secret Chord" by Geraldine Brooks. For more information, please contact Jane Todd at (704) 614-8935 or jetodd10@gmail.com.

CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED for our church egg hunts. Please place NUT-FREE candy in the donation baskets across from Concord Rd. stairwells or upstairs next to children's Sunday School classrooms. Thank you!

4th & 5th GRADE FLASHLIGHT EGG HUNT is Friday April 14 7-8:30 pm. Meet in the Congregation House for pizza and the Holy Week Story. Please RSVP to Jenny Alexander, jalexander@dcpc.org.

PRESCHOOL THROUGH 3RD GRADE EGG HUNT is Saturday April 15 10-Noon. Meet in the Chapel. Please RSVP to Jenny Alexander, jalexander@dcpc.org.

PRAYER AT THE CLOSE OF DAY Our congregation and musicians will again be uniting with members of Davidson United Methodist Church for Prayer at the Close of Day, in the manner of Taizé. The service is April 2 at 7:30 in our sanctuary chancel. This lovely, peaceful candlelit service offers an opportunity for prayer and reflection and serenity.

THE PEOPLES' CHOICE This summer the DCPC preachers will preach a series of sermons on a selection of topics suggested to them by YOU, the members of the congregation. Submit your suggestions to lmcgregorsimmons@dcpc.org no later than April 15.

**CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS FOR
March 26-April 2**

SERVANT LEADERS NEEDED The DCPC 2017 Nominating Committee seeks servant leaders to serve a three-year term as ruling elders and deacons of our church. We also seek candidates for one youth elder and one youth deacon; each serves a one year term. Your recommendations, with comments, would be most appreciated. Should you feel called to serve, please submit your own name. Submission forms are available at the Church Information Center or www.dpc.org. We would appreciate names and suggestions by Sunday, April 2.

OUTLAW CHRISTIAN AUTHOR Dr. Jacqueline Bussie, the acclaimed author of Outlaw Christian, which has been widely read at DCPC, will visit the Covenant Class in Room B of the Congregation House on Sunday, March 26, at 9:45 a.m. She will be happy to answer any questions about the book. Dr. Bussie is a 1991 graduate of Davidson College, with an M.A. from Yale, and a Ph.D. in Theology, Ethics, and Culture from Virginia. She is Director of the Forum on Faith and Life and Professor of Religion at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota.

Sunday Faith Formation

Children's Sunday School

9:45 am

Preschool: Ages 3-5 room 118
K/1st Grade: Godly Play room 206
2nd/3rd Grade: room 207
4th/5th Grade: room 208

11 am

K-5th Grade: room 207

Adult Sunday School

Covenant (9:45 a.m. Congregation House)

April 2-Karen Soos, the Chaplain for Catholic students at Davidson College, accompanied by her students, will present two sessions on "The Francis Effect" in the Roman Catholic Church. The sessions will consider how Pope Francis has affected The Catholic Social Teaching tradition, the organization and levels of authority in the church, and global Catholicism and the diversity within the church.

April 9, 16-Davidson College chaplain Rob Spach and Tony Abbott will present a special Easter program based on on Frederick Buechner's splendid book, *The Faces of Jesus*. The book depicts the life, death and resurrection of Jesus through images selected from the history of art and with commentary by Frederick Buechner.

April 23- TBA

April 30, May 7, 14-Rabbi Barbara Shulamit Thiede, who has delighted the Covenant Class at the end of our last three years, will return and teach a three week course on The Book of Ruth.

Maloney (9:45 a.m. Parlor) The Pines (Marshall Room)

April 2: God as Our Shepherd Psalm 23

April 9: God's Saving Love in Christ John 3:1-12

April 16: God's Love as Victory Over Death John 19:38-42; 20:1-10; 1 Peter 1:3-9

April 23: God's Reconciling Love Romans 5:6-11; 8:31-39

April 30: God's Preserving Love John 10:1-15

Jubilee (9:45 a.m. Upper Room) The Jubilee Class (meeting upstairs in Room 212 at 9:45) will continue its exploration of "Finding Prophetic Voices in Times of Chaos." Discussion centers on the weekly lectionary readings and brief articles on current social and political issues as we move from Lent to Easter and consider what it means to live our daily lives within the framework of the Christian liturgical year.

Faith & Life (11:00 a.m. Room 201)

Sunday, March 26

8:30am	Worship Service	Lingle Chapel
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9:30am	Coffee at the Chapel	Corner of Lingle Chapel
9:45/11:00am	Adult/Children Sunday School	Various
11:00am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
3:00pm	Allison Wehrung Ordination	Sanctuary
5:00pm	Spiritual Yoga	Room 201
5:00pm	Geneva Choir	Choir Room
4:30pm	High School Youth	Congregation House
5:30pm	Youth Dinner	Congregation House
6:00pm	Middle School Youth/Confirmation	Congregation House

Monday, March 27

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
9:30am	Shalom Study Group	Room 207
11:15am	SAGES Lunch	Congregation House
12:00pm	Retired Clergy	Parlor
5:30pm	Planning Committee	Upper Room
6:45pm	UKirk	Student Center
7:00pm	Nominating Committee	Library

Tuesday, March 28

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
8:00am	Brindisi Bible Study	Parlor
6:30pm	Parkinson's Support Care-givers	Room 207
6:30pm	Parkinson's Support Group	Parlor
6:45pm	Faith Formation Committee	Library
7:00pm	Stephen Ministers Training	Upper Room

Wednesday, March 29

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
11:30am	Intercessory Prayer	Parlor
5:00pm	Children's Choirs	Various
5:00pm	Beatitudes and Beverages	Mestizo
5:45pm	WNL Dinner	Congregation House
7:00pm	Disciple Class	Jetton Hall
7:00pm	Tower Ringers	Handbell Room
8:30pm	Music Team	Lingle Chapel

Thursday, March 30

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
7:00pm	Congregational Care Committee	Room 201
7:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

Friday, March 31

7:00am	Men's Bible Study	Parlor
7:00pm	AA	Jetton Hall

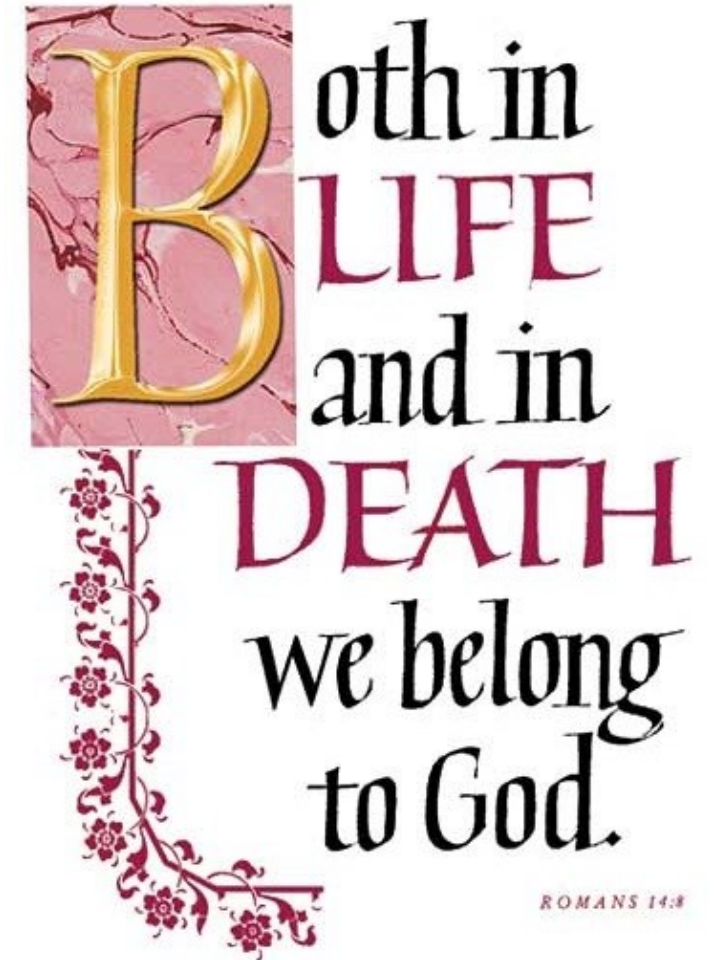
Saturday, April 1

10:00am	Lent Bible Study	The Pines Marshall Room
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worshipping, learning, serving,
loving, giving—
seeking to realize God's vision for the world.

DCPC Vision Statement

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	8:30	9:45	11:00	Total
3/19/2017	100	120	239	459

DCPC FINANCIAL UPDATE

	February	YTD
Receipts	\$142,048	326,499
Expenses	\$126,367	281,031
Over/(Under)	\$ 15,681	45,468

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