

A Service For The Worship Of God

14th Sunday after Pentecost, September 10, 2017

11 in the Sanctuary

**Those who are able, please stand.*

Gathering Around the Word

GATHERING SONGS

Hymn 465	What a Friend We Have in Jesus	CONVERSE
Hymn 705	You Are Holy	YOU ARE HOLY
Hymn 458	Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet	THY WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come! Come and celebrate.

Let us celebrate the ministry of those who help to make us Christ's disciples.

Come! Come and celebrate our common calling.

Let us celebrate our calling to participate in Christ's ministry of transformation and leading people to God.

Come! Come and celebrate our commitment to the faith formation ministry of Davidson College Presbyterian Church.

Let us celebrate the gifts of teachers, the gifts of children, the gifts of youth, the gifts of adults. Let us celebrate the God whose mercies empower us for mission in our community and the world.

*HYMN 619 Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Teaching God, you call us to look into ourselves and to go deep into those places where our lives contradict your will. When we are less than honest in our teaching and our learning, forgive us. Be merciful to us in those times when we as a community of faith forget to follow you. Help us to identify the places and situations to which you are calling us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

Silent Prayers of Confession

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE No. 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me Vasile
Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

*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."**

(Preschool children may proceed to their child care locations at this time.)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Blythe Elementary Partnership
Felisa Simpson, Principal

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 18: 1-14

ANTHEM

Jesus Loves Me
Chancel Choir arr. John Ferguson

SERMON

This Child, and This Child, and This Child
Lib McGregor Simmons

Responding to the Word

*HYMN 803 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need RESIGNATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

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THE OFFERING

Partita on "Simple Gifts" Noel Goemanne
(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 744 Arise, Your Light Is Come! JUNKANOO

*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE No. 748

Go with Us, Lord TALLIS' CANON
**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.**

POSTLUDE

Tuba Tune in C Major C.S. Lang

*You are invited to the Lingle Chapel steps for coffee,
lemonade, and cookies following the service.*

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher: Lib McGregor Simmons

Assisting Ministers: Robert Alexander, John Ryan, Mary Margaret Porter

Director of Music: Jane Cain

Associate Director of Music: David Brinson

Sound: Jack Ahearn

Ushers: Doug Fitzpatrick, Barbara Perzel (8:30) John and Nancy Lingle, Jesse Jones, Mark Muchane, Terri Rehkop, Heather McKee (11:00)

Greeters: David and Tammy Pressly (8:30) Lemie and Norman Richards, Andy Beard, Megan and Derek May (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 All childcare (ages 0-5) is located downstairs in room 14. Children's worship bags (coloring & Bible storybook for all ages) are available at the entrances. Please accompany your child should he/she need to leave the sanctuary. We stream WDAV's radio broadcast of the 11 service in room 15 downstairs should children and a parent need a place to go during worship. We are glad you are here!

PRAYER CARDS are available in the pew racks or online (www.dpc.org). Requests are made known to those gathered for silent intercessory prayer on Wednesday mornings at 11:30 in the parlor. All are welcome and encouraged to join in prayer at that hour in the chapel or wherever you are.

FALL PICNIC don't forget our annual fall picnic is at noon in the Congregation House. Sunday Union will be playing! Bring a generous side dish or dessert to share.

DCPC YOUTH The Big Sunday Bash is Today! We are kicking off the new Youth Group year today from 5-6:30 pm with pizza, a color slip and slide, and more! Wear old clothes that can get wet and messy and bring a towel and possibly a change of clothes. Besides all that, you can look forward to getting to know your Small Group for the new year!

ADULT CHOIRS have just begun for the fall and they are looking for new singers. The Geneva Choir, which sings for the 8:30 service, rehearses today at 5:00 in the choir room. Chancel Choir, which sings for the 11:00 service, rehearses on Thursdays at 7:00. There is room for all levels of singing ability. If you have thought about joining, even if you aren't sure, give it a try and you will find a welcome. For questions, email or call Jane Cain, jcain@dpc.org or 704-892-5641.

YOUNG ADULTS will meet this Monday, September 11, at 7:30 p.m. at Barcelona Burgers in Mooresville. If you have any questions contact John Ryan at jryan@dpc.org.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS It's not too late for four-year-olds through fifth graders! Come on Wed. at 5:00 and join in the fun. Four and five-year-olds meet Elizabeth Mills in room 206; first and second graders rehearse with David Brinson in room 201, and third through fifth graders sing with Jane Cain in the choir room. All God's children got a place in the choir....come and find it.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE Dinner is at 5:45 in the Congregation House. **RSVP's are required, before noon on Tuesday for dinner. *New Kids Club*** for information contact Jenny Alexander at jalexander@dpc.org.

MARY MARGARET PORTER has announced her intention to step down from her parish associate responsibilities on October 1. Thank you, Mary Margaret, for more than five years of faithful ministry at DCPC! A committee under the leadership of George Raftelis is seeking a person to pick up the reins of senior adult ministry. This is a part-time paid position. If you are interested in being considered for this ministry position, please contact graftelis@raftelis.com by September 12.

CARITAS ACAPELLA ENSEMBLE will be singing in our sanctuary on September 17 at 3:00. They will perform some particularly beautiful acapella music on the topic of nature, in a concert titled "For the Beauty of the Earth." Half of the proceeds will benefit Camp Grier and Sustain Charlotte. Ticket information is on the music bulletin board by Lingle Chapel and in Steepletalk, or call 980-272-8556.

THE SAGES Odd Month Luncheon will be on Thursday, September 28 in the Congregation House. Our new chef, Eric Rice, will prepare lunch for us. Plan to arrive by 11 for a time of fellowship, mingling and getting to know each other. Lunch will be ready at 11:30 and the cost is \$8. Our speaker will be Rev. Tony Marciano, Executive Director of the Charlotte Rescue Mission. Reservations need to be made through the church office no later than Monday, September 25. On October 19 we plan to take a bus day trip to see the leaves in West Jefferson, NC. We will eat lunch at Shatley Springs. The cost of lunch depends on whether you order from the menu (\$8-\$12) or want a family style service which costs \$18.00. We will see the inspirational fresco paintings by artist, Ben Long at the Glendale Springs Episcopal Church and at St Mary's Episcopal Church, and may have time for a walk around downtown before heading home about 3 o'clock. The cost of the bus will be \$20 per person. There are 49 seats on the bus, so get your reservations into the church office no later than September 28. Once the bus is filled no more reservations will be available except on a standby basis in case someone drops out. Join us for a fun day of fellowship, fun, food and frescos! (say that 4 times fast!!) We'll also get a glimpse of a beautiful change of seasons.

STEPHEN MINISTRY AT DCPC Do you know someone who has been struggling with the loss of a loved one, loneliness, cancer, a layoff, relocation, divorce, a spiritual crisis, recuperation, single parenthood, or any of countless other life challenges? Our Stephen Ministers can provide Christian care, encouragement, and support to make it through the crisis. If you know of someone who is hurting, talk with one of our Stephen Leaders: Alice Sudduth, Rosemary Raynal, Martha Lyon, Margo Wehrung, Mary Thornberry or Meredith Allen. Stephenministry@dcpc.org. They can talk with you about how to connect the person you know with a Stephen Minister. It's a great way to show how much you care!

SAVE THE DATE DCPC Blood drive will be Monday, October 2, 2:00-7:00 p.m. in the Congregation House. Sign-ups will be available soon.

September Faith Formation Opportunities

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

September 17, 24, October 1.

Doug Ottati, the Craig Family Distinguished Professor of Reformed Theology and Justice, will present a three week refresher course in Reformation and Reformed theology in celebration of the 500th Anniversary. We will explore "scripture alone," or the basic methodological principle of the Reformation, "grace alone," or its basic substantive principle, and the humanist character and content of the Reformed movement. So, three sessions: sola scriptura, sola gratia, and a Reformed Christian humanism.

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

September 3: The Rainbow *Genesis 8:20-9:17*

September 17: Sabbath Observance *Genesis 2:1-3; Exodus 31:12-18; Isaiah 56:1-8*

September 24: Spirit-Filled Heart *Ezekiel 36-37; Titus 3:1-11*

Jubilee (9:45 a.m. Upper Room)

Reading and discussing NT Wright 's Book, The Day the Revolution Began. BYOB (Bring Your Own Book)

Calendar September 10– September 17

Sunday, September 10-ONE WORSHIP SERVICE AT 11:00

9:45am	Rally Day	Parlor/Room 201
11:00am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:00pm	Picnic	Congregation House
4:00pm	Alleluia Ringers	Handbell Room
5:00pm	Geneva Choir	Choir Room
5:00pm	Youth Big Sunday Bash	Congregation House
7:00pm	Officer Training	Parlor
7:30pm	Interim Pastor Nominating Committee	Upper Room

Monday, September 11

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
5:00pm	Finance Committee	Upper Room
6:45pm	Circle 8	Room 207
6:45pm	UKIRK	Student Center
7:00pm	Young Adults Gathering	Barcelona Burger

Tuesday, September 12

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
4:00pm	Stewardship Meeting	Library

Wednesday, September 13

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
11:30am	Intercessory Prayer	Parlor
4:00pm	Kids Club	Various
5:00pm	Children's Choirs	Various
5:00pm	Beatitudes and Beverages	Mestizo
5:45pm	WNL Dinner	Congregation House
7:00pm	Deacons Meeting	Upper Room
7:00pm	Global Missions Committee	Library
8:30pm	Music Team	Lingle Chapel

Thursday, September 14

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
7:00am	DCPC Men's Group	Parlor
7:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

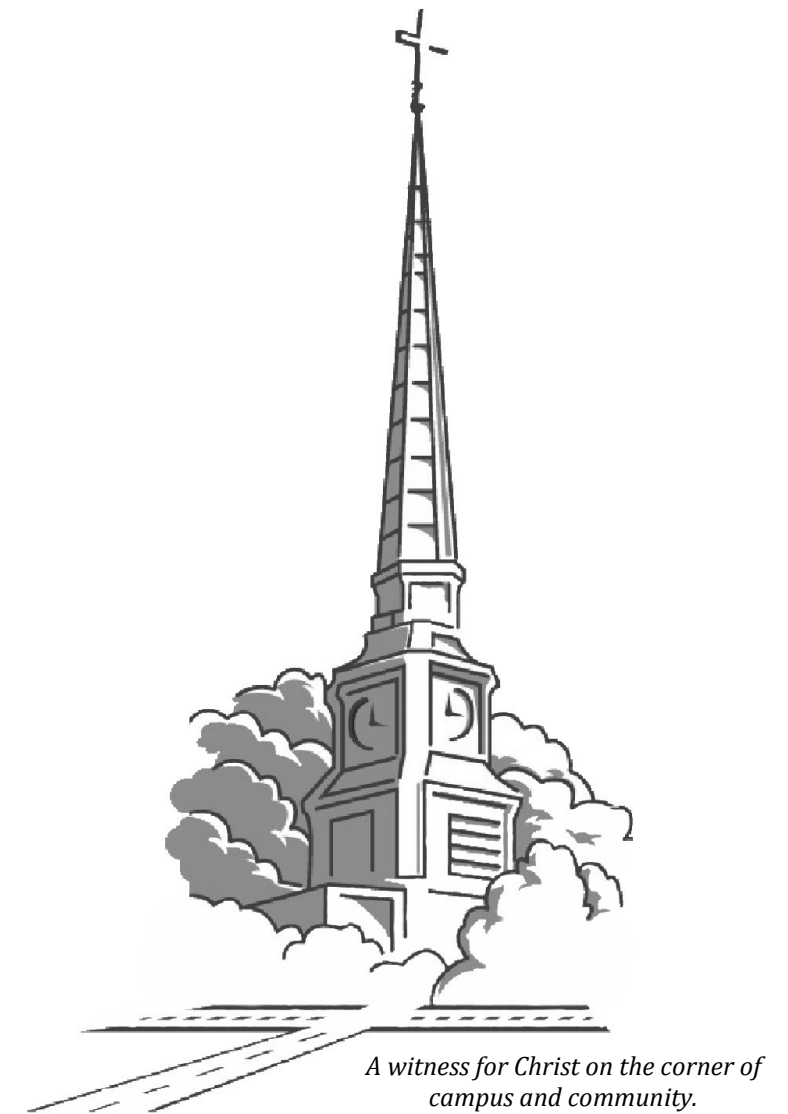
Friday, September 15-Women's Retreat

7:00am	AA	Jetton Hall
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Sunday, September 17-Women's Retreat



8:30am	Worship Service	Lingle Chapel
8:30am	Youth Committee	Library
9:30am	Coffee at the Chapel	Corner of Lingle Chapel
9:45am	Worship Service	Lingle Chapel
9:45am	Adult Sunday School	Parlor/Room 201
11:00am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00pm	Alleluia Ringers	Handbell Room
5:00pm	Geneva Choir	Choir Room
6:30pm	Youth Music	Choir Room
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Davidson College Presbyterian Church is an Earth Care and Stephen Ministry congregation on the corner of campus and community. This congregation celebrates partnerships in Christ with the Sigona Presbyterian Church in Kikuyu, Kenya, and the Kilambe communities in Jinotega, Nicaragua and Blythe Elementary School in Huntersville, NC. Together we seek to grow in witnessing to Christ in a complex world and to learn more about how to respond as disciples to the great needs of the world.

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

DCPC Vision Statement

DCPC FINANCIAL UPDATE			WORSHIP ATTENDANCE			
	July	YTD				
Receipts	\$ 89,137	935,169	8:30	9:45	11:00	Total
Expenses	\$144,464	932,112	9/3/2017	78	100	166
Over/(Under)	\$(55,327)	3,057				344