

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2020

John Willingham preaching, Roberta Kearney assisting

Prelude: "10,000 Reasons" (Chris Tomlin)

Words of Welcome

Hymn 32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

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Prayer of Confession

God of hope and peace,

God of strength and gentleness,

remind us again of the holy way for God's people to travel.

Forgive us for failing to see your joy and majesty.

Forgive us for being weak in serving you.

Forgive us for failing to see the glory of your creation.

Open our eyes to see your promises.

Open our ears to hear the good news of your love for all your children.

Quench our thirst with showers of your love for us.

(Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 5:1-4,7

Time with the Children

New Testament Lesson: Matthew 21:33-46

Sermon: *The Power of Vulnerability*

"Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.'" – Matthew 21:37

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

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.

Offertory: "The Gift of Love" arr. Georgia Nettleton

Mark Helms and Denise Gealer, vocalists; Shelby Gaudio, piano; Mina Choi, cello; Eileen

Telly and Julia Zeiser, violin; Sharon Shaw, flute

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 300 "We Are One in the Spirit"

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

Benediction

Postlude: "Fugue" (F. Mendelssohn)

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family and friends of **Helen Van Artsdalen** on her death on October 1. We hold her loved ones in prayer during this time.

The **flowers** are given today in loving memory of Alfred Zotter by the Mill Family; in loving memory of my father, James Innes, on his birthday by Pamela Strasburg; in loving memory of my father, William Houghton, by Mylene and Jeff Greenwood; in loving memory of my dad, Jeremiah T. Hutchison by Miriam Montgomery.

Special thanks to Marie Stevens Cooper for serving as Lay Leader this week and to Adam Cameron, Shelby Gaudio, Denise Gealer, Sharon Shaw, Eileen Telly, and Julia Zeiser for sharing their musical gifts with us.

Liturgy notes: Today's prayer of confession is taken from Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching & the Arts, Volume 38.1, p. 176

Announcements:

Sermon Discussion Series: Beginning today, October 11, and each following Sunday, the day's pastor will lead an online discussion group based on the message within the scripture and sermon. We invite you to join in this time of reflection via Zoom by clicking the following link: bit.ly/2SgCaS0 Meeting ID: 818 7247 9291 - Passcode: 003276

Adult Education Classes. DPC is offering four Adult Education classes this fall. The classes are already underway but that shouldn't prevent you from exploring these virtual sessions and seeing which one best fits your schedule and spiritual needs. New attendees are welcomed! We've made the process even easier with direct access to each class on our new website. Visit www.dtownpc.org/adults/sunday-morning/ for class info and Zoom links.

Outdoor Hymn Sing! Join us in the Church Yard at 12 noon on **Sunday, October 25**. We had such a wonderful time during last month's hymn sing so we are gathering again! Don't forget your mask and a lawn chair and feel free to bring a lunch! Email Mark your advance requests of your favorite hymns at markh@dtownpc.org.