



## 7th Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021

9:30 am

### Gathering as God's Family

Gathering Music

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1-2,5

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

**Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing.**

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,  
**and his faithfulness to all generations.**

Prelude

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Francois Couperin

Prayer of Confession

**O Christ who prayed for us, died for us, and lives for us,  
you taught us that we belong to you, and your word is our truth.**

**Forgive us, O Lord,  
when we live as if we belonged only to ourselves.**

**Forgive us, O Lord,  
when we foolishly think that power is the ultimate truth.**

**Speak your words of peace to us this day,  
and make our lives a testimony to your grace.**

**For you are the source of life itself,  
and only in you can we truly live.**

(Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends believe the Good News of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

### Proclaiming God's Word

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 8:13-22

Pew Bible (OT), p. 7

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

*Brandenburg Concerto No. 5 in D major, BWV 1050 - ii. Affetuoso*  
Mina Choi, harpsichord, Sharon Shaw, flute; Eileen Telly, violin

J.S. Bach

Time with the Children

*Children watching at home are invited to approach the screen  
while children present may join the pastor on the chancel steps for the message.*

New Testament Lesson: Romans 3:21-26

Pew Bible (NT), p. 154

Sermon

“A Choice to Limit”

Dr. John M. Willingham

“the LORD said in his heart, ‘I will never again curse the ground because of humankind...’—Genesis 8:21

## Responding to God's Word

Concerns of the Church

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.**

## Going Forth in God's Name

\*Hymn 353

*My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*

SOLID ROCK

\*Benediction

Postlude

*Paeon*

Peter Hurford

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*Welcome to Worship!*

*Whether in-person or joining us from home, we are glad that you are with us!*

### Worship Notes:

- **Let's Connect!** Do you have a Prayer Request? Would you like to share a joy or concern with the pastors, or other members of your DPC family? We want to hear from you! Visit [www.dtownpc.org](http://www.dtownpc.org) and click "Connect" at the top of the page to contact us. This is also the place to learn more about our various ministries, programs, mission efforts and the many ways that you can get involved.
- The **flowers** are in loving memory of Ginger Hoch, Marjorie and Ward Hoch, and Eleanor and William Steinhart by Wayne Hoch and family.
- The **prayer of confession** is taken from *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching and the Arts, Vol. 54.1, p. 102.*
- **Lay Leader:** Joan Christianson. **Assisting Pastor:** Pauline Sexton.

**To learn more about DPC, we invite you to visit our website at [www.dtownpc.org](http://www.dtownpc.org) where you'll find all the latest information on ministries and events including:**

- An Open House walkthrough of 112 Mechanics Street, **today** from 10:30 am - 12:30 pm, as we decide its future use
- Our ongoing class series Waste, Race, and a Matthew 25 Environment - the final session is **today** at 11 am on Zoom
- DPC's monthly food drive is **today!** Drop off your food donations and gift cards to our volunteers outside along Mechanics Street!

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