

# 20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021

9:30 am

## Gathering as God's Family

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Brothers and sisters. If you lift your net and it is empty, Come here!

**We'll cast it out again into Christ's abundance.**

If you open your eyes but do not recognize the Holy One, Come here!

**We'll find the Risen Christ here among us.**

If your life is filled with mourning, Come here!

**Christ is leading a dance of joy.**

Come here, sisters and brothers!

**To give blessing and honor and glory to God!**

Prelude

*Prayer*

C.M Widor

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, hear our prayer.**

**Sometimes our lives are a mess, because of choices we have made  
or because of choices others have made.**

**Sometimes our lives are great and we forget to be grateful and humble.**

**We trust that in the jumble of all of this, you are present.**

**We trust that you are with us, walking with us when we stray,  
nudging us back to the right path, slowing us down when we get ahead of you  
and for us when we lag behind.**

**So we thank you, and ask for your forgiveness,  
and pray that you will stay with us throughout the journey. Amen**

(Moment of Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## Proclaiming God's Word

First Scripture Lesson: Luke 5:1-11

Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 62

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

Anthem

*The Holy City*

S. Adams

Evan Spadt, trumpet; Mina Choi, piano

*\* Those who are able, please stand*

Time with the Children

*(After the message, children ages four through third grade are welcome to leave for Children's Worship Time. They will return to their parents before the final hymn.)*

Second Scripture Lesson: John 21:1-14

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 115

Sermon

“Letting Down the Nets”  
“but that night they caught nothing.”—John 21:3b

Pauline Sexton

## The Sacrament of Baptism

THE BAPTISM OF

Charles Matthew Verrochi

ELDER REPRESENTATIVE

Jonathan Craig

Presentation of the Baptismal Candidate

Renunciation and Profession of Faith

\*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptism

Welcome

Let us welcome the newly baptized:

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.**

## Responding to God's Word

Concerns of the Church

*(Persons nearest the center aisle are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)*

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.**

Offering of Our Gifts and Lives

*(To give online or via text message, click the "Give" tab at the top of our website.)*

Offertory

*Variations, K501*  
Shelby Gaudio and Mina Choi, Piano

W.A. Mozart

\*Congregational Response 607 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

## Going Forth in God's Name

\*Hymn 751

*From the Nets of Our Labor*  
verses 1-3, 6

HAMILTON

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*Variation on Vater unser (Father in Heaven)*

F. Mendelssohn

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Many of our members along with members of The Anchor Church in Wrightstown are volunteering this morning at Delaware Valley University, packing meals to be distributed to those in need around the world by the Christian nonprofit Feed My Starving Children. Let us hold their efforts in our prayers.

# Welcome to Worship!

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

**Lay Leader:** Doug Barnett.  
**Assisting Pastor:** Roberta Kearney.



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**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.dtownnpc.org](http://www.dtownnpc.org) and click "Connect" at the top of the page to contact us or scan this QR code with your smart phone camera. 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 **Sacrament of Baptism** is administered today to Charles Matthew Verrochi, son of Harry and Elizabeth Verrochi.

**New Life!** The rosebud on the Communion Table celebrates the birth of Penelope Ruth Childs, born on October 3, to Patrick and Jess Childs. The proud DPC grandparents are Glenda and Allen Childs.

The **flowers** are given in loving memory of Alfred Zotter by the Mill family; and in loving memory of my dad, Jeremiah T. Hutchison by Miriam Montgomery.

Today's Call to Worship is from the lectionary resource *Feasting on the Word*; the Prayer of Confession is written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, *Hold Fast to What Is Good*, used with permission.

**DPC PrayGround:** We have set up a special space in the Celtic Cross Room (located in the Sanctuary building, on the first floor) that allows all ages to more fully participate in the worship service with space to color, create, and move. As with all indoor areas at DPC, masks must be worn to increase the safety and comfort of all ages of worshippers.

**Outdoor Sacred Grounds:** We invite you to join us outside Andrews Hall (weather permitting) after worship to enjoy lemonade, coffee, and conversation during a time of fellowship.

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

- **Winter Coats Needed!** Donations of new or clean, gently used coats, gloves, hats, and scarves can be dropped off at the Church Office until **Nov. 10**. They will be sent to Bethel Presbyterian Church in North Philadelphia and distributed to our homeless and struggling friends during the winter months.
- **DPC Day at the Michener.** Experience the museum like never before with private, exclusive access to exhibits and a presentation from artist Robert Beck on Tuesday, **October 26**, from 10 am to 12 noon. Visit DPC's website and sign up today!



*Be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love*

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