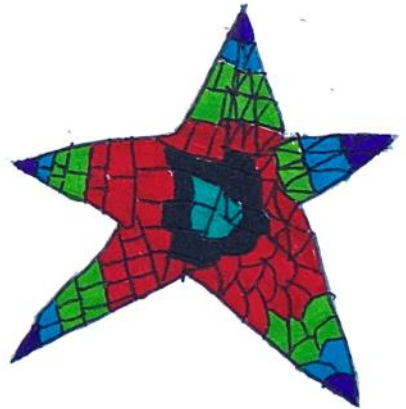


Doylestown Presbyterian Church

Youth Sunday

May 14, 2023 - 10:30 am



— Artwork by Sumner Benson

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

10:30 am

Gathering as God's Family

Word of Welcome

Molly B. and Caroline Ro.

Prelude

I Love You, Lord
Mina Choi, Voice and Piano

L. Klein

*I love You, Lord and I lift my voice
to worship you, oh, my soul, rejoice.
Take joy, my King in what you hear.
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.*

Call to Worship

Charlie B. and Jane K.

Here we are Lord.

Your creatures standing before you.

Gathered together to praise you and worship you.

This is your day God

and we thank you for giving this day to all of us.

Help us to always remember that each day is a blessing.

Be with us in our midst.

Let us feel your breath upon our faces

and hold us close to you each day.

*Hymn 729

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Prayer of Confession

Elizabeth C.

Gracious Lord,

our efforts at being faithful seem to produce mixed results.

Sometimes we do what is right and the result is pain and suffering.

Other times we turn our back on what is right and things seem to go just fine.

Faithful living is confusing to us.

Forgive us when we are faithful just to gain an advantage.

Forgive us when we reject faithful living because we can't see any advantage.

Have mercy on us, we pray, and help us to love you so deeply

**that the only desire of our heart is to honor you with our lives,
no matter what the outcome.**

(a moment for Silent Reflection and Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Lucy B.

Friends, hear and believe the Good News!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you. **And also with you.**

*Congregational Response 587



Proclaiming God's Word

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 19:7-11 (Common English Bible)

Molly B.

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

The Lord's instruction is perfect, reviving one's very being. The Lord's laws are faithful, making naive people wise. The Lord's regulations are right, gladdening the heart. The Lord's commands are pure, giving light to the eyes. Honoring the Lord is correct, lasting forever. The Lord's judgments are true. All of these are righteous! They are more desirable than gold—than tons of pure gold! They are sweeter than honey—even dripping off the honeycomb! No doubt about it: your servant is enlightened by them; there is great reward in keeping them.

Anthem

Wonderful Grace
Youth Choir

C. Ovokaitys, arr. C. McCartha

*Sing and rejoice! Sing all your days! Raise ev'ry voice and bring your praise!
Great is our God, exalted His throne! Loudly applaud, "We are His own!"*

*Alleluia, sing glory! Alleluia, sing praise!
Boldly shout out the story of God's amazing grace, His wonderful grace.*

*Children of God, tell of His might. Speak of His love, His truth and light!
Rise up and sing, forever adore. Worship the King, exalt the Lord!*

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved someone, someone like me.
I once was lost, but now I'm found. I once was blind, but now I see.*

*Sing wonderful grace, oh, how sweet the sound!
Sing wonderful grace, let it set you free.*

(Ushers will collect any prayer request cards at this time.)

Time with the Children

Connect Sunday School Class

*(After the message, children ages four through third grade may leave for Children's Worship Time.
Parents are asked to pick-up their child after the service in Room 207, directly across the bridge.)*

Sermons

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Matthew 14:16-20

Colossians 3:12

Riley B.
Gavin J.
Mason K.

*Hymn 458

Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet

WAREHAM

Service of Confirmation

Presentation of Confirmands

Glenn Haas and Doug Barnett

Charlie B., Jack B., Brynn B. and Louie C.

Proclamation of Personal Faith

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

Vow of Membership

Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

I will, with God's help.

*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.

Concerns of the Church

Rebecca S.

(Persons nearest the aisles are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the middle of the pew. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned toward the aisles.)

Minute for Ministry

Collin J. and Caroline Ro.

Prayers of the People

Evan S.

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

Quin T.

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.)

Malakai L.

Offertory

*Percussive Praise
Festival Ringers*

K. McChesney

*Congregational Response 609 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*Prayer of Dedication

Caroline Ra.

Going Forth in God's Name

*Hymn 733

We All Are One in Mission

WALDVOGELEIN

*Benediction

A Gaelic Blessing
Spoken: Cole Y. Senior Duet: Riley B. and Oliva F.

J. Rutter

*Deep peace of the running wave to you
Deep peace of the flowing air to you
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you
Deep peace of the shining stars to you
Deep peace of the gentle night to you
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you
Deep peace of Christ
of Christ the light of the world to you
Deep peace of Christ to you...*

*Postlude

Jesus Loves Me

arr. Jason Payne

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Welcome to Worship at Doylestown Presbyterian Church!
Whether in-person or joining us from home, we are glad that you are with us!

The **flowers** are given today in loving memory of Ginger Hoch, Marjorie and Ward Hoch, and Eleanor and William Steinhart by Wayne Hoch and family; and in loving memory of Mary Hally Shortall by Deirdre Shaffer.

The **Prayer of Confession** comes from the Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church of Houston, Texas, and can be found on ThePastorsWorkshop.com.

Today is Youth Sunday! Today's worship services are led by our DPC Youth. There are letters set out on the bridge for all of the volunteers who run our children's and youth programs. We encourage everyone to spend a moment to notice how many leaders it takes to create meaningful relationships with all of our young people. We also would love for each of you to sign the letters to show our congregation's appreciation of all the time and talents these volunteers give each week. If you would like to get involved with our children or youth programs in any way, let us know, too! Be sure to visit the Children and Youth sections of www.dtownpc.org to sign up for Vacation Bible School and see the summer calendar for Youth events!

Celebrate our 2023 Graduates and Confirmands!

High School: Joshua Baker, Riley Blore, Quinn Danzis, Olivia Ferrara, Kendall Gregor, Gavin Jones, Mason Keller, Colin McCormack, Kerrigan Moran, Evelyn Owen, Stone Phillips, Cole Young.

College: Camille Bayer, Ethan Cody, Ellie Herman, Colin Horton, Megan Lengel, Tarin Morris, Grace Murray, Sophia Nardo, Kayla Richards, William Roland, Nina Sigety, Lauren Spadt.

Masters: Ethan Knapp, Carl Nicholas, Beth Vandersall.

Confirmands: Charlie B., Jack B., Brynn B. and Louie C.

Food Drive and Community Meal. DPC's monthly Food Drive occurs next Sunday, **May 21** from 9:15 to 11 am. Volunteers will be collecting outside near the bridge. Items can also be left in the box inside the church entrance under the bridge. Our monthly Community Meal also occurs next Sunday beginning at noon in Fellowship Hall with our own congregation and guests from the community. This gathering is a fun way to connect with your church family in a casual setting. Volunteer at bit.ly/DPC-CM or just stop by!

Celebrate the Arts Presents Brahms Requiem. Our CTA season continues next Sunday, **May 21** at 4 pm with one of the masterworks in the choral/orchestral literature, Brahms "Ein deutsches Requiem." Featuring the singers and soloists of DPC's Chancel Choir and the Bucks County Ecumenical Choir, and accompaniment by DPC's Orchestra, this concert will be an evening to remember. No tickets are required. Invite your friends! A free-will offering will be received which helps support our wonderful concerts and visual displays presented by Celebrate the Arts.

Memorial Day Street Picnic! We look forward to once again joining with the community for this very special day in Doylestown on **May 29**. Be sure to stop by, outside the church, for food and fun with your fellow DPC members. Bring your friends and family! We are putting out a call for anyone who may be interested in volunteering by donating snacks or helping to prepare, serve, or set up for the event. To see the current needs and available volunteer roles, please visit bit.ly/DPC-MDP.

Do you have a book, or podcast, or theme you'd like to explore with others? If so, consider becoming a **Growth Group facilitator**. We are always on the lookout for passionate individuals and engaging material. Email dpc@dtownpc.org (subject line "Growth Groups") as we assemble our summer offerings.

A Time to Celebrate! You are invited to join us for an afternoon of food, fellowship, and a special program to honor John Willingham and recognize his 20 years at DPC. We join together at the Fulghams' Happiness Farm on Sunday, **June 4** from 4 to 7 pm for food, fellowship, and a fun look back at the many milestones and memories that have made John's time with us so special. Visit the "Upcoming Events" section on www.dtownpc.org to RSVP and reserve your place today!

Celebrating Paul’s Last Journey. In April of 2024, Lori and John Willingham will lead their final overseas tour for the people and friends of DPC, following the last route taken by the Apostle Paul. His account is found in last two chapters of the Acts of the Apostles. It took him months to arrive yet, over 13 days we will follow his path (without the shipwreck!) from Sicily to Rome. Our experience—unlike his—will also include stops at Pompeii, Florence and Venice. Over the time together, we will share in worship and reflection, experience beautiful scenery and great fellowship, as we celebrate Paul’s courageous witness and deepen our own faith in Jesus Christ. An informational meeting will occur on Wednesday, **June 7** at 7 p.m. in the Celtic Cross room. For more information, please contact Linay Richards at linayr@dtownpc.org



SCAN ME

Let’s Connect! Do you have a prayer request or want to share a joy or concern? We want to hear from you! Visit www.dtownpc.org and click “Connect” at the top of the page to contact us or scan this QR code with your smart phone.

RECOMMENDATIONS for the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)

The Nominating Committee is considering candidates for the PNC who will seek and recommend to the congregation our next Senior Pastor/Head of Staff.

It is essential that the PNC consists of individuals who reflect the diversity of our congregation. As prescribed in the *Book of Order*, we seek able, gifted persons of strong faith and dedicated discipleship because of their trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

If you have a recommendation of someone (including yourself), complete this form and place it in the offering plate, drop off at the church office, or talk with any member of the Nominating Committee: Bob Maxwell, moderator, Maureen Arnold, Alison Ferrara, Greg Jensen, Gavin Jones, Kathy McQuate, Tom Maclin, Kim Nardo, and Krista Spadt. **The deadline for submitting nominations is May 15.** The Nominating Committee hopes to present a slate of nine candidates during the June 11 Congregational Meeting. If you need contact information to reach a committee member, you can call the church office at 215-348-3531 or email dpc@dtownpc.org.

Candidate’s name: _____

DPC activity or involvement: _____

Additional comments: _____

Your name: _____

SESSION

Moderator - John Willingham **Clerk** - Doug Barnett

Class of 2023

Geoff Fisher
Melissa Hauser
John Heisey
Sherri Hoynak
Gavin Jones
Price Jones
Jim Kmetzo
Mary Lee Reiff
Sharon Sager

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Glenda Childs
Judy Chang Cody
Jenny Danzis
Greg Jensen
Janice Thomas
Katie Toner

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Christo Claassens
DeeDee Cox
Amy Edenson
Honor Ford
Kim Keller
Bob Maxwell
Kristen Roland

BOARD OF DEACONS

Moderator - Kathy McQuate

Class of 2023

Craig Clemente
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Joe Jewusiak
Kathy McQuate
Peggy Moore
Brian Shadle
Connie Waters
Cole Young

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John Gwynne
Mike Paradiso
Dennis Parenti
Linda Schumann
Krista Spadt
Eileen Telly

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Sharon Cummings
Dot Fabian
Trip Fisher
Alyssa Lewis
Nancy Nelson
Carol Tettermer

CHURCH STAFF

John Willingham, *Pastor*

Becca Bateman, *Associate Pastor for Education and Family Ministries*

Pauline Sexton, *Pastoral Care Assistant*

Kira Adelman, *Nursery Worker*

Mina Choi, *Director of Youth Choir and Bells, Organist*

Megan Craig, *Interim Youth Director*

Sharon Cummings, *Children's Worship Time Instructor*

Ed Davila, *Custodian*

Marco Derro, *Maintenance Engineer*

Taylor Distel, *Nursery Worker*

Chris Graham-Rawlings, *Member Engagement Coordinator*

Mary Claire Jensen, *Hospitality Coordinator*

Elaine Keckeissen, *Office Manager*

Geri McMullin, *Director of Sunshine Singers (volunteer)*

Christian Menno, *Director of Communications*

Jason Moore, *Director of Music and the Arts*

Linay Richards, *Director of Finances and Operations*

Erin Rizk, *Mission and Community Outreach Director*

Candi Young, *Children and Youth Connections Coordinator*

MISSION PARTNER

The Reverend Jed and Mrs. Jenny Koball, Peru



Be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love

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