

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: I said I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

People: And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Leader: Let us pray:

People: Lord, we confess to you that we are sinners. Although you made us in your image, we have forsaken that image for idolatry. We seek after things we were not made for, and search for the good in things that are not from you. We have turned away from your good gifts, and instead follow false desires. In your mercy, free us from our sins, and for a life that rests only in you.

(Silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

✠GLORIA PATRI *(Glory to God, #581)*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

After Time with Children, ages two years through 5th grade recess with leaders up the center aisle to worship. Children are always welcome to remain in the worship service.

✠HYMN 272 God, You Rule with Royal Bearing *Bryn Calfaria*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Elder Cynthia Farrell Johnson

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 1:1-11 (pg. 122)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM Beati quorum via Charles V. Stanford

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:44-53 (pg. 93)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *A Holy Time Out* Rev. Dr. Camille Cook Murray

✠THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

OFFERTORY

Pray That Jerusalem

Charles V. Stanford

✠DOXOLOGY (*Glory to God, #607*)

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures
 here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son,
 and Holy Ghost. Amen.

✠PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

✠HYMN 134

Joy to the World

Antioch

✠BENEDICTION

(Please be seated after the benediction)

RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

Charles V. Stanford

POSTLUDE

Toccata on "Antioch"

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

Today's Bible Recipients

1 st Grade	5 th Grade	9 th Grade	12 th Grade
Heloise Campbell	George Bankoff	Audrey May	Sophie Sperduto
Julian Durbin	Laine Holman	Philip McGreevy	Grant Welch
George Gibson	Jack Lavigne	Sarah Miller	
Shannon Wilson	Charlotte Mattison	Jack Porter	
	Alexander Scott	Lauren Scott	
	John Scott		

About the music: The choral music this morning is by Irish composer Sir Charles Villiers Stanford. He enjoyed a distinguished musical career as organist of Trinity College, Cambridge and as a founding professor of the Royal College of Music. The music he composed and taught was based on romantic, rather than modern musical principles. The result is tuneful, harmonic music that is in wide use throughout the world.

The flowers in the Chancel today are given in honor of our graduating High School Seniors, Sophie Sperduto and Grant Welch.

The ushers for May are Cristian Lopez, Captain; Nancy Benzing, Gillian Frey, Mildred Grant, Mary Margaret Hart, Shelley Jennings, Jennie Lopez, Deborah McFadden, Nat Semple, Laura Welch, and Marjorie West.

Today after the service visitors and members are cordially invited to join us in the Georgetown Room for lunch bunch, hosted this week by the Bethesda-Chey Chase Circle.

Assisted listening devices may be found at the back of the sanctuary. Each device comes with a headset, but you may bring your own from home.

Readings are from the New Revised Standard Version translation of the Bible unless otherwise indicated. Blue Bibles may be found at the end of each pew.

Children's Ministries

During the service, Children's Worship continues after Time with Children.

- 2s-Kindergarten, escorted by leader upstairs to the West Worship Room for *Young Children & Worship*
- 1st-5th grade, to Chapel for *Children's Church*

YCW children should be collected upstairs by their parents immediately after the service. Children's Church dismisses into the Georgetown Room. All children are welcome to remain with their families in the service and age-appropriate worship bags are available in the narthex.

WELCOME

Our congregation has been welcoming members and visitors to worship on the Lord's Day since March 16, 1780.

If you are visiting this morning, we extend a special welcome to you and invite you to introduce yourself to one of the pastors or speak with an usher if you have any questions.

If you are looking for a church home and would like to talk with one of the pastors, please fill out the fellowship pad in the pew today or call the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

10 a.m. Summer Service Time Begins May 28

Please note that we begin our 10 a.m. summer service time next Sunday, May 28.

School's Out!

Today was the last day for Adult Issues, Sunday Morning Bible, Sunday School, and Youth Group until September.

Children's Worship Note

Young Children and Worship (age 2s-Kindergarten) never takes a break all year-round. Children's Church (1st-5th grade) also continues, breaking in August until September 10.

Georgetown Saturday Suppers and Sunday Dinners

Each meal serves about 70 of our DC neighbors struggling with homelessness and food insecurity. Our next meal to host at Mt. Zion is on May 27. Please sign up on our website.

Young Adults (20s & 30s) Events Planning Meeting Today after Worship Colonial Room

Bring your ideas for the coming year!

Summer Soiree

Friday June 16, 7-9 p.m.

At the home of Mary Beth and Sheldon Ray (4526 29th St. NW).

RSVPs:

zoe.ellen.williams@gmail.com or via the Paperless Post invitation.

Kitchen Renovation 2017

This summer our 50-year-old kitchen will undergo much-needed renovation to greatly facilitate the 250+ hospitality and mission events we sponsor each year and help grow these vital programs. For more information or to donate, please go to the website, pick up one of our information cards in the narthex, or email John Schuhart at graybeardcoaching@gmail.com.

Children's Music this Summer Chapel at 9:45 a.m.

School may be out, but the song plays on. Elementary kids continue to meet before worship to sing the classics with Ms. Regina. First time? All kids are welcome!

Reformation@500 June-November 2017

Join us for a variety of events to mark the birth of the Protestant Reformation: sermons, Bible studies, lectures, discussions, a movie, a gallery tour and even a sing-along! For more info on other Reformation events, pick up a handout in the narthex or go to the homepage slider at www.gtownpres.org.

Summer Volunteering at GMC

During the summer, the Georgetown Ministry Center loses its essential pool of volunteers from Georgetown University. We're asking you to help fill this gap. Through June 10, we need help with four-hour volunteer shifts at the day center. Shifts are from 8 am-noon and noon-4 pm every day of the week. Volunteering entails spending time with day center guests, assisting staff with the shower and laundry program, coordinating the computer list, serving lunch, and more. If you can help, please email Pastor Chris at ccs@gtownpres.org.

Curious about the Heritage Room?

It will be open after worship for about an hour today and next Sunday. Come and have a look!

New Member Conference Saturday, June 10, 9 a.m. – noon

Join us at our next New Member Conference to review the basics of Christianity and the Reformed Tradition, discuss what Presbyterians believe, and learn how this all comes together at GPC. New members will be introduced to the congregation on **Sunday, June 25**. For more information or to sign up, please email the church office at mec@gtownpres.org.

Save the Date!

Sunday School Café Family Picnic June 11, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Home of Anna and Bailey Edwards. Come celebrate another wonderful year of nursery, children, and youth programming with a backyard party. RSVPs: b.bailey.edwards@gmail.com.

Crying Room and Nursery

If your baby needs a place to make a bit of noise and stretch out, we have a professionally-staffed nursery upstairs or, if you prefer, the crying room is located adjacent to the narthex where the service can be viewed on a TV screen. A bottle warmer and toys are available and changing stations are in both restrooms. If you have questions, the ushers will be glad to help you.

Boxtops for Education

Remember, GPC collects "Boxtops for Education" for Excel Academy. Please bring your Boxtops and leave them in the basket in the narthex.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 21

11am Worship-Bible Sunday
11:15am Children's Worship Programs
12pm Lunch Bunch
4pm G'town Sunday Dinner
5pm Youth Group/ART

Tuesday, May 23

9:30am Staff meeting

Wednesday, May 24

10am Bible Study
7pm Leadership Intensive
7:30pm Bible Study

Saturday, May 27

4-6pm G'town Saturday Supper

Sunday, May 28

9:30am Nursery opens
9:45am Children's Music in Chapel
10am Worship
10:15am Children's Worship Program
11pam Punch Bunch
4-6pm G'town Sunday Dinner
4pm Yoga

Happy Birthday

May 22 Eva Mattison
 Marsha Percy
 Alexander Ray
 J. Berry Trimble
May 23 Albert Johnson
 Will Quinn
 Hazel Taylor
May 24 Joseph Carvin
May 25 Laurel Semple
 Missy Semple
May 26 Camille Murray
May 27 Robert Amanfu
 Cary Didden
 Beverly Jones
May 28 Kaito Clovis Saulski
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Daily Readings

Sunday **John 14:1-14**
Monday Exodus 13:17-22
Tuesday Proverbs 3:5-12
Wednesday John 8:31-38
Thursday Acts 17:22-31
Friday Psalm 66:8-20
Saturday 1 Peter 3:13-22
Sunday **John 14:15-21**



Georgetown Presbyterian Church
is a founding member and supporter
of the Reformed Institute of
Metropolitan Washington.

OUR HISTORY

The Georgetown Presbyterian Church began in 1760 as a small group of worshipers and organized into a church in 1780 under the eminent Stephen Bloomer Balch, Revolutionary War soldier and pupil of religious leader John Witherspoon. It was the first Presbyterian Church in what was to become modern-day Washington, DC, and is the oldest DC church of any denomination with an unbroken ministry. Until long after the national capital was established, many of Washington's baptisms, weddings and funerals were solemnized in our church. People of all denominations worshiped with us, including many leaders of the young republic.

In 1782 our congregation erected the first – and for many years the only – Protestant church building in Georgetown. Additions were made in 1794 with Thomas Jefferson among the contributors. A rare charter, still in effect, was granted in 1806 to “the Presbyterian Congregation in George Town” by an act of Congress signed by President Jefferson. In 1810 our seal, with its seven stars and Bible, was given to the church by the superintendent of the Mint. In 1821, President Monroe laid the cornerstone for the beautiful Bridge Street building which was moved fifty years later to our present site, where President Grant laid the cornerstone. This is the building which we have since restored and in which we now worship.

Our church pioneered in both the religious and cultural life of this community. In 1781, Dr. Balch became headmaster of the Columbian Academy to which George Washington sent his nephews and wards, and later a school for girls was founded. Dr. Balch wrote the first book published in the District of Columbia and he helped found the first public library. Out of our church and under Dr. Balch's broad-minded leadership, Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian churches were established in Washington and Maryland.

Our church bell tolled all day when President Washington died. In our church George Washington Parke Custis, grandson of Martha Washington and father-in-law of Robert E. Lee, delivered a speech on Napoleon's defeat. Memorial services for President William Henry Harrison were conducted here in 1841. During the Civil War, our building became a hospital for both Union and Confederate soldiers, including casualties from the Second Battle of Manassas and the Battle of Fredericksburg. In these and in other ways, this church identifies with the history of the nation it continues to serve.

THE GEORGETOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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