## The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

August 13, 2023 – 10:00 a.m. The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost



# Whoever you are, from wherever you come, you are welcome here.

The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church seeks to be a congregation where God is the center of our lives; we celebrate children and youth and equip them with faith to meet life's challenges; we work for justice in local and global communities.

#### **We Gather Together**

The Prelude Winchester New Bruce Neswick (b.1956)

The Greeting The Rev. Keith Thompson

Please use a connection card found in the pew to write your prayer concern and hand it to an usher or put it in the zoom chat and it will be included in the Joys and Concerns later in the service.

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold indicates congregational response.** 

\*Call to Worship Ruling Elder Ron Wick

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the divine name;

make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.

Sing to the Lord, sing praises,

and speak of all the marvelous works of God.

Glory in God's holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

\*Hymn 42

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure

Winchester New

#### \*Call to Confession and Corporate Prayer of Confession

Holy God,

Day after day, we try to fill our days until they are bursting at the seams.

Day after day, we rely on our own abilities to keep us strong.

Eventually, this becomes too much for us to bear.

We get burnt out, even in seasons designed for rest.

Forgive us for trying to do everything ourselves.

Forgive us for ignoring your presence at our side.

Be with us as we let go of those things we need not control,

And open our hearts to be nurtured by your everlasting love.

A time for silent confession

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, these are waters of Jesus Christ, the fountain of grace.

In these waters, we find steadfast love and forgiveness.

#### \*The Peace

Since God has forgiven us in Christ,

Let us forgive one another.

The peace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also with you!

We invite you to exchange signs of peace and reconciliation with one another.

#### \*The People's Response Hymn 33

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Praise the Lord! God's glories show, Alleluia! saints within God's courts below, Alleluia! angels round the throne above, Alleluia! all who see and share God's love. Alleluia!

**Time with Children**The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

**Gathering Song** 

Earth to heaven exalt the strain, Alleluia! Send it, heaven, to earth again, Alleluia! Age to age, God's mercies trace, Alleluia! Praise God's providence and grace! Alleluia! Llanfair

#### **We Share Community Joys and Concerns**

#### **Joys and Concerns**

Please come to the microphone to share your prayer request, or write it on the connection card found in the pew, or in the chat box on zoom.

#### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

... We ask these things in the name of the one who teaches us to pray together saying, Our Father and Mother, 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.

#### We Hear the Word

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace. Amen.

**The Lesson** Joel 2:21-24, 28-29 Pew Bible OT, pg.847

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks Be to God.

**Sermon** Holding Too Much The Rev. Keith Thompson

#### We Respond to God's Word

\*Hymn 815 Give to the Winds Thy Fears Festal Song

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Music at the Offertory Hymn 75 - We Give Thanks Unto You

Brittany and Jim Simpson, vocal leaders

\*The People's Response

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Strings and voices, hands and hearts, Alleluia! In the concert, bear your parts, Alleluia! All that breathes, your Lord adore, Alleluia! singing praise forevermore, Alleluia!

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn 37 Let All Things Now Living Ash Grove

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Sung Benediction

May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.

May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace; singing, share our joy with all;

Working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

\*Postlude The Ash Grove Michael Bedford (b.1949)

Leaders in worship include The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, Sr. Pastor; The Rev. Keith Thompson, Acting Associate Pastor; Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music; Ron Wick, Liturgist. The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given To the Glory of God. For future flower dedications, please contact John Cox at johnwcox13@gmail.com or donate on the church's website. Flower donations are \$75.

#### The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church Staff

The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, Senior Pastor
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If you're visiting, making a prayer request, or just want to check in with us,

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WEEKLY CALENDAR		
August 13 – August 20, 2023		
Sunday, August 13	9:00 – 12:00	Childcare — Room 108
	10:00 - 11:00	Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at
		https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpsN2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zzo9
	11:00 - 12:15	Coffee Hour — Chadsey Hall
	11:00 - 12:00	Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room
Monday, August 14	2:00 - 3:00	Health – Exercise 60+ with Will Yates — Chadsey Hall and CCPC Parking lot
Tuesday, August 15	9:00 – 12:00	TAP Open — Office and Waiting Room
	12:30 - 2:30	Needlework Group — CCPC Library
	1:00 - 2:30	WNS Popsicle Meet & Greet with Parents — WNS Playground
	7:00 – 9:00	Session Meeting — Geneva and Online at
		https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/92292414449?pwd=emJMSE9telN1SUorbGN5eEhpdmdIZzo9
Friday, August 18	7:45 - 8:45	Men's Spirituality Group — Chadsey Hall
Sunday, August 20	9:00 – 12:00	Nursery Childcare — Room 108
	10:00 - 11:00	Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at
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