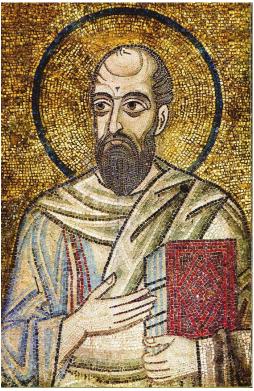
# The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

October 15, 2023 - 10:00 a.m.

# The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



The Apostle Paul

# 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 Partita on "Converse" Anthony Giamanco (b.1958)

The Greeting The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

Introit Gary Alan Smith

Alleluia, this is the day the Lord hath made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia.

Melissa Jordan, Bob Garman, emily Lange, Carolynn Race; Handbells

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

O give thanks to God, who calls us here.

We will sing of God's glorious deeds.

O listen for God's wisdom, that speaks to us now.

We will listen for inspiration and truth.

O worship our God, who is holy and just.

We will worship God with honor and praise!

\*Hymn 667 When Morning Gilds the Skies Laudes Domini

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

God of all mercy, you offer the best that life can hold.

Forgive us for the times we have resisted your companionship and failed to grasp the peace you offer.

We are anxious about many things,

and we allow our differences to divide us.

Center us once again on Jesus Christ

and on the peace you so long to give us.

A time for silent confession

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

Sisters and brothers, draw near and know

Christ's grace saves us from our fears,

and leads us into freedom.

The good news is trustworthy and true -

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

#### \*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 63 Azmon

The Lord is God, the Lord alone! Give honor, thanks, and praise To God, the maker of all things and giver of our days.

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

Moment for Ministry Your Raise Us Up: Stewardship 2024 Susan Dentzer and Susan Brooks

Gathering Song With all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and might, Hymn 63 Azmon

O people, love the Lord your God, the source of truth and light.

Faith sharing On Mission and Justice Christy Schmidt

## 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

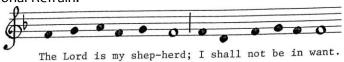
... We ask these things in the name of the one who teaches us to pray together saying, Our Father and Mother, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; 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**

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Psalm 23 Congregational Refrain:



The New Testament

Philippians 4:1-9 The Word of the Lord **Thanks Be to God.**  Pew Bible NT, pg. 198

**Sermon** Think on These Things

The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

### We Respond to God's Word

**\*Hymn 465** What a Friend We Have in Jesus Converse

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

We believe the Church is a community of love, where sin is forgiven, reconciliation is accomplished, and the dividing walls of hostility are torn down.

We believe the Church is a community of witness, pointing beyond itself through word and work to the good news of God's transforming grace in Christ Jesus.

We believe in this church, An instrument of God in this present moment, striving for justice, celebrating in joy, living in hope, praying for healing, and forever proclaiming Good News of God's persistent and redeeming love. Amen.

#### Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

#### Music at the Offertory

Carol of the Stranger
Amanda Fink, soloist

Abbie Bettinis (b.1980)

Peace and grace be to this house Where all are welcomed in; Receive the guest, receive this heart: Tell the Stranger, tell.

Tell the Stranger what you cannot tell
Those who love you and desire your joy: Tell.
Make tall your walls, make long these beams,
Who once believed alone;
Make wide the circle, feed the fire:
Tell the Silence, tell.
Tell the Silence what you cannot tell
Those who love you ...
Blessings be upon this place,

Let every wound be healed,

Let every secret, every dream: Tell the Angel, tell.

Tell the Angel what you cannot tell
Those who love you ...

Peace and grace be to this house, All will be returned; Let every soul be called your own, Tell the Mystery, tell.

Tell the Mystery what you long to tell Those who love you ...

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\*The People's Response At night or day, at home, away, together and apart,
O children, take these holy words and keep them in your hearts.

Hymn 63 Azmon

#### \*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

Fugue in G Major, BWV 577 (The "Jig")

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

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 Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, Senior Pastor
Elder Erik Woodworth, Clerk of Session
Elder Tom Lutte, Assistant Clerk of Session
Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music
Dr. Bobb Robinson, Assistant Director of Music
Valerie Burrows, Business Manager
Nicole Page, Weekday Nursery School Director
Kelley Abernathy, Kim Kasprzak, ASP Co-Directors

The Rev. Keith Thompson, Acting Associate Pastor
Aimee Ranaivoarijaona, Executive Administrator
Lea Holz, Communications Coordinator
Anthony Baez, Facilities Supervisor
Francis Diaz, Day Custodian
Russell Sarvis, Luis Henriquez, Audrey Melvin, Custodians
The Rev. Dr. Robert Angus, Parish Associate
Kenneth Lowenberg, Minister of Music Emeritus



If you're visiting, making a prayer request, or just want to check in with us,

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Scan this code with your smartphone and fill out our form online.

WEEKLY CALENDAR		
October 15 – October 22, 2023		
Sunday, October 15	9:00 – 12:00	Nursery Childcare — Room 108
	10:00 - 11:00	Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at
		https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpsN2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zzo9
	10:15 - 11:15	Sunday School — Rooms 180, 360, 350A (Calvin Hall) & Firesides
	11:00 - 12:15	Coffee Hour — Chadsey Hall
	11:00 - 12:00	Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room
	11:15 - 12:15	Open Forum on Housing — Geneva Hall
	11:15 - 12:00	Children's Choir Rehearsal — Room 308
	11:30 – 1:00	ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122 & 130
	4:00 - 5:30	Chevy Chase Concerts presents Patagonia Winds — Sanctuary
Monday, October 16	2:00 – 3:00	Health – Exercise 60+ with Will Yates — Chadsey Hall and CCPC Parking lot
	7:00 8:00	Monday Evening Small Group — Contact wbhoffman@gmail.com for Zoom link
Tuesday, October 17	9:00 – 12:00	TAP Open — Office and Waiting Room
	12:30 - 2:30	Needlework Group — CCPC Library
	7:00 – 9:00	Session Meeting — Geneva Hall and Zoom at
		https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/4905335007?pwd=U1g5OHMzOU9XQVQ5OS8yVmc4UVFHQT09
Wednesday, October 18	11:00 - 12:00	Bible Study — Firesides and Zoom at
		https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83163171160?pwd=amJHbE5TREZvdTQxelJHWWxEQVhBQTo9
	6:45 – 8:15	Small Groups Meeting — Zoom at
		https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/81932000819?pwd=6li9bxGJkxVor8GAZ62b4gKbz6sPE9.1
Thursday, October 19	7:30 – 9:15	Chancel Choir Rehearsal — Room 300 and Sanctuary
Friday, October 20	7:45 – 8:45	Men's Spirituality Group — Chadsey Hall
Sunday, October 22	9:00 – 12:00	Nursery Childcare — Room 108
	10:00 – 11:00	Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at
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	1:00 - 2:30	ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122, 130