The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

August 27, 2023 - 10:00 a.m.

Thirteenth 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 The God of Abraham Praise

arr. Marianna Kim

The Greeting

The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

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

^{*}Those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold indicates congregational response.**

*Call to Worship Ruling Elder Christy Schmidt

We give you thanks, O God, with all our hearts

for your faithful love is forever.

We sing to you with all our strength

for your goodness is for all creation.

We trust in you with all our might

for your saving grace continues from generation to generation.

*Hymn 49 The God of Abraham Praise Leoni

*Call to Confession and Corporate Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you are always present and active amid your people.

We confess that sometimes we fail to recognize and respond to your saving work in the world.

We defer to power and privilege, expect the tried and true, and succumb to doubt and despair when your ways are not clear.

Behold, you are doing a new thing; help us to perceive it.

Forgive us when we do not respond to your call.

Liberate us from our fears and self-imposed limitations.

Guide us into the fullness of life and love that you are at work preparing.

A time for silent confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear the good news:

Our God makes a way where there is no way.

Sorrow and shame give way to grace and joy.

We are a people redeemed and restored.

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 14 Dix

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, For the love which from our birth over and around us lies; Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Time with Children

Back to School Blessing

The Rev. Keith Thompson

Gathering Song

Hymn 14 Dix

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

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

Come as Light, O God, and enlighten our darkness. Come as Truth, O Christ, and give us wisdom. Come as Love, O Spirit, and shape our lives. Come to us, Holy One, so that we may learn to follow you in all our ways. Amen.

The Old Testament Exodus 2:1-10 Pew Bible OT, pg. 49

The Word of the Lord Thanks Be to God.

Sermon The Basket Maker The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn 53 O God, Who Gives Us Life Noel

Affirmation of Faith (From the Belhar Confession, section 2)

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways:

in that we love one another;

that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully

to be of benefit and blessing to one another

and together stand against all which may threaten or hinder this unity.

We give thanks to God for the gift of community, for the gift of the church. Amen.

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Music at the Offertory I Love Thee, My Lord

*The People's Response Hymn 14 Dix

Early American Tune Arr. by George Shearing

For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given; For that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 269 Lead On, O King Eternal! Lancashire

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude Trumpet Tune G.P. Telemann (1681-1767)

Leaders in worship include The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, Sr. Pastor; The Rev. Keith Thompson, Acting Associate Pastor; Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music; Christy Schmidt, 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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| WEEKLY CALENDAR | | |
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| August 27 – September 3, 2023 | | |
| Sunday, August 27 | 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 |
| | 11:00 - 12:15 | Coffee Hour — Chadsey Hall |
| | 11:00 - 12:00 | Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room |
| Monday, August 28 | 2:00 – 3:00 | Health – Exercise 60+ with Will Yates — Chadsey Hall and CCPC Parking lot |
| Tuesday, August 29 | 9:00 – 12:00 | TAP Open — Office and Waiting Room |
| | 12:30 - 2:30 | Needlework Group — CCPC Library |
| Friday, September 1 | 7:45 - 8:45 | Men's Spirituality Group — Chadsey Hall |
| Sunday, September 3 | 9:00 – 12:00 | Nursery Childcare — Room 108 |
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| | 11:00 - 12:00 | Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room |
| | 1:00 – 2:30 | ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122, 130 |