

The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

September 10, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.



**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

Ubi caritas, et amor, Deus ibi est
Where charity and love are, God is there

Alan Bullard (b. 1947)
11th C Chant

The Greeting

The Rev. Keith Thompson

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

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

Following the choir, the congregation is invited to sing hymn 507.+

**Come to the table of love.
Come to the table of love.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of love.**

As we gather around the table of love, we light a candle.
May the warmth of its glow remind us of the warmth of God's everlasting love.
As we light this candle, kindle the flame of your love in us.

Ruling Elder Brad Hunter

***Hymn 366, vs. 1,2,4**

Love Divine, All Love's Exceling

Hyfrydol

***Prayer of Confession**

God of love,
You call us to the table, but we choose our own path.
We walk away from your invitation.
Instead of gathering together, we build barriers and rules for belonging.
You promise the bread of life for all, but we hoard and let neighbors go hungry.
You promise waters of justice, but we create conflict and let neighbors go thirsty.
Bring us back. Transform us at this table so that we can grow into your love.

A time for silent confession

***Assurance of Pardon**

These are the waters of justice, overflowing with God's grace.
Even when our hearts feel empty, God's love overflows.
Friends, come to the table,
For God has forgiven us. Amen.

***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**

O Quanta Qualia, Hymn 503+, v.2

***Here, at your table, confirm our intention;
give it your seal of forgiveness and grace;
teach us to serve without pride or pretension,
Lord, in your kingdom, whatever our place.***

Time with Children

The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

Faith Sharing

Gathering Song

O Quanta Qualia, Hymn 503+, v.3

***When, at your table, each time of returning,
vows are renewed and our courage restored,
may we increasingly glory in learning
all that it means to accept you as Lord.***

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

Sung response

Ubi caritas et amor, Ubi caritas Deus ibi est

Taizé Community

Where charity and love are, God is there

... 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 Epistle

Romans 13:8-10
The Word of the Lord
Thanks Be to God.

Pew Bible NT, pg. 162

Sermon

Come to the Table of Love

The Rev. Keith Thompson

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn 203

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Chereponi

*Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God who loves us as a parent
searches for us when we are lost, embraces us in our hurt,
always looking for any reason to throw a party.

We believe in the risen Christ,
who gathers all the lost into a new community
and tells us we are forgiven, blessed and loved.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
who empowered the new community of followers
to sit together at the table, tell stories of God's love,
and turn the world upside down.

We belong to God and each other in love, joy, grace and peace.

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Music at the Offertory

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Phillip Galetar

*The People's Response

*Lord, we have come at your own invitation,
chosen by you, to be counted your friends;
yours is the strength that sustains dedication;
ours, a commitment we know never ends.*

O Quanta Qualia, Hymn 503+, v.1

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 316

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Twenty-Fourth

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Jesus Loves Me

J.Wayne Kerr

Leaders in worship include The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, Sr. Pastor; The Rev. Keith Thompson, Acting Associate Pastor; Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music; The Chancel Choir; Brad Hunter, 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.**

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 or just want to check in with us,

Connect With Us!

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR		
September 10 – September 17, 2023		
Sunday, September 10	9:00 – 12:00 10:00 – 11:00 11:00 – 12:15 11:00 – 12:00 11:30 – 1:00 11:30 – 12:30 12:00 – 3:00	Nursery Childcare — Room 108 Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpS2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zz09 Coffee Hour — Chadsey Hall Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122, 130 Sunday School Teacher Training — Firesides Deacon's Lunch — Liz and Erik Woodworth's Home
Monday, September 11	2:00 – 3:00	Health – Exercise 60+ with Will Yates — Chadsey Hall and CCPC Parking lot
Tuesday, September 12	9:00 – 12:00 12:30 – 2:30	TAP Open — Office and Waiting Room Needlework Group — CCPC Library
Wednesday, September 13	7:30 – 9:00	Administration & Finance Committee Meeting — Zoom at https://zoom.us/j/710327689?pwd=eUtqbDJ0a3BHbXRMTUw1YjVnS3MoQT09
Thursday, September 14	7:30 – 9:15	Chancel Choir Rehearsal — Room 300 and Sanctuary
Friday, September 15	7:45 – 8:45	Men's Spirituality Group — Chadsey Hall
Saturday, September 16	6:00 – 9:00	Homecoming BBQ — Susan and Arnie Brooks' Home
Sunday, September 17	9:00 – 12:00 10:00 – 11:00 10:30 – 12:00 11:00 – 12:30 11:00 – 12:00 11:30 – 1:00	Nursery Childcare — Room 108 Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpS2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zz09 Sunday School Kickoff Party — Chadsey Hall and Outside Homecoming Sunday Coffee Hour — Chadsey Hall Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122, 130

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