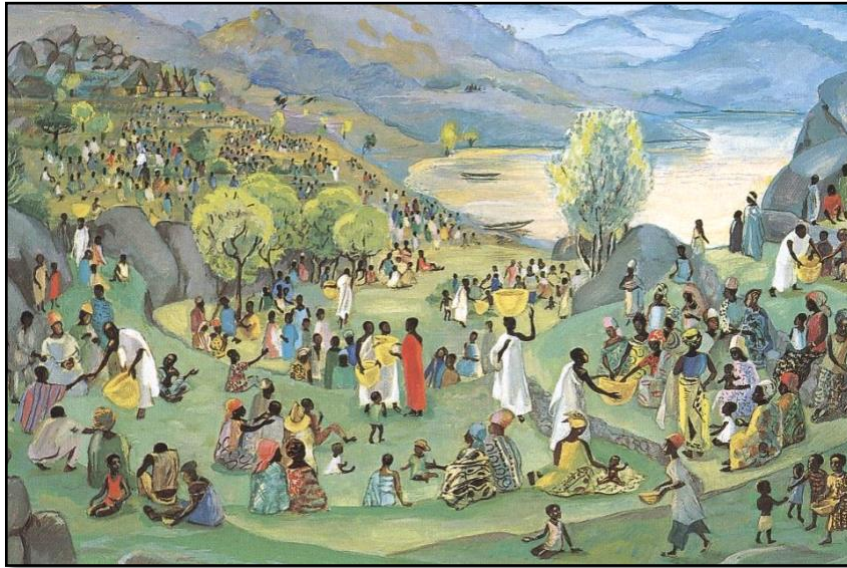


Gaithersburg Presbyterian Church – July 28, 2024

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Church in person at 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. | Livestream on YouTube at 11:00 a.m.



Welcome

Welcome to all! Please register your attendance with the QR code on the back of the bulletin, with the online link, or on paper in the church Gathering Space. Need help? Ask any usher.

Opening Music

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

Mary Kempf, bells

Call to Worship [*responsive*]

All you with grumbling stomachs,
hungry for bread, nourishment, and flourishing:

draw near to God.

All you with dry throats,
thirsting for water, wisdom, and justice:

draw near to God.

All you with empty arms,
searching for a warm embrace,
a meaningful life,
and a loving community:

draw near to God.

Opening Prayer

Hymn [*stand*]

“All Who Hunger”

Glory to God, #509

Call to Confession

Jesus promises to meet us in our struggles, to calm our fears, and to bless us through our blessing of others. Let us confess the ways in which we have denied the gifts of God that are freely given to us.

Prayer of Confession [*responsive*]

Sustainer of the hungry, like a mother you long to feed your children until each is satisfied.

We confess the ways in which we have placed more trust in earthly gains than in you.

In your compassionate love, O God, you nourish us with the words of life and bread of blessing.

We confess the ways in which we have refused the nourishment that you offer and closed our hearts to you.

[*Silence for Personal Prayer*]

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God's Word

Children's Message (11:00)

Carolyn Hayes

At the 11:00 service, children and youth are invited to leave for class. Children can be picked up after church in Room 30/31 or Room 32/33. Youth will be released from class to find you.

Musical Response [*seated*]

"Lord, Prepare Me"
Please sing 2 times.

Glory to God, #701

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people and let them eat.' But his servant said, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' So he repeated, 'Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, "They shall eat and have some left." ' He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

John 6:1-14

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this

to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Fragments

Rev. Whitney Fauntleroy

We Respond to God's Grace

Hymn [*stand*]

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

Glory to God, #803

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

"Morning Has Broken"
Mary Kempf, bells

Sung Response [*stand*]

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"
verse 3

Glory to God, #81

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer [*together*]

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.

We Depart for Service

Announcements

Sending Song [*stand*] “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” Glory to God, #526

Closing Blessing

Closing Music [*seated*] “Go Forth in Faith” LANI SMITH

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

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Participating in the service:

Katherine Williams, Director of Music
Carolyn Hayes, Director of Children and Young Families
Rev. Mary Beth Lawrence
Rev. Whitney Fautleroy

Thank you for
worshiping with us!

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July 28, 2024
Announcements & Events



**I SCREAM,
YOU SCREAM...
WE ALL SCREAM FOR
ICE CREAM!**

*GPC
Nights Out*

JULY 31, 6:30 PM

**CARMEN'S ITALIAN
ICE & CAFE
1115 NELSON ST. ROCKVILLE**

Fall PDA Trip – Our trip to New Bern, NC is filling up fast, but we still have room for YOU! We leave Sunday, September 22 and return Friday, September 27. Have you always wanted to go? Now's your chance! Please speak with Rev. Lawrence SOON!

VBS is for adults, too! – Carolyn Hayes continues leading this 5-week adult class on Sunday mornings. The theme is "Sail On," and the adults follow the same themes as the children's program. Join us at 9:30 am through August 4th in rooms 31-32 and be encouraged to sail with the Spirit.

The Sunday Morning Group – Sundays at 8:15 am in Room 33 and on Zoom. Join the group as they study Richard J. Foster's Celebration of Discipline. For the Zoom link please email Steve Olin at office@gpchurch.org.

Betty Vargo Memorial – The memorial service for long-time member Betty Vargo will be held at DeVol Funeral Home on Thursday, August 1, at 10:00 am.



TABLE FELLOWSHIP

Sign up for Table Fellowship as an individual, with a friend, or as a couple.

This new program does not require everyone to host. As eight adults sign up, groups are created. After you participate in one group, you can sign up to be included in a different group.

If interested, please contact Clara Pratt at office@gpchurch.org.



YOUTH SUMMER CALENDAR

AUGUST



Aug. 7, 6–7:30 pm | Wednesday Night Youth Group

Aug. 11 | Sunday Youth Time, dismissed from 11:00 am worship.

Aug. 14, 6:00 pm | Parent & Youth Potluck

Aug. 15, 6:30 pm | Ice Cream Night at Jimmie Cone

Aug. 21, 6:45–9:00 pm | Annual Gutterbowl Event