

Gaithersburg Presbyterian Church – January 29, 2023

Church in person at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Livestream on YouTube at 11:00 a.m.



Opening Music

9:30 "Fugue on the First Magnificat Chant Tone"
Wade Meyers, organ

JOHANN PACHELBEL

11:00 "Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord"
Christian Women Fellowship

Welcome

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

Call to Worship [*responsive*]

God our Creator:

we rejoice in the life of your world.

Jesus our Redeemer:

we rejoice in the new life you offer.

Holy Spirit our guide:

we rejoice in your life-giving companionship.

May all our rejoicing bring praise and glory to You.

Opening Prayer

Hymn [*stand*]

"Live into Hope"

Glory to God, #772

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession [*together*]

God of majesty and glory,

we are thirsty for your grace.

You made a way for us in the wilderness,
and still, in our foolishness, we go astray.
We hide our eyes from your presence.
We do not listen to your word.
We are lifeless when we ought to dance
and speechless when we ought to sing.
Forgive us, O Lord.
Speak peace to our fearful hearts,
strengthen our weak hands,
and make firm our feeble knees
as we seek to follow in your holy way. Amen.
[Silence for Personal Prayer]

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen to God's Word

Children's Message

Carolyn Hayes

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

Sung Response *[seated]*

"Jesus Loves Me!"
Verse 1

Glory to God #188

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Isaiah 2:2-4

² In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

³ Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

⁴ He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

Luke 1:46–55

And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord,
⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
⁴⁸ for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
⁵⁰ His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
⁵² He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
⁵³ he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
⁵⁵ according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

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

Sermon

"Domino Effect"

Rev. John Molina-Moore

We Respond to God's Grace

Hymn [*stand*]

"For Everyone Born"

Glory to God, #769

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

9:30 "In Christ There Is No East of West"
Wade Meyers, piano

11:00 "Master, the Tempest is Raging"
Christian Women Fellowship

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]* "May the God of Hope God with Us" Glory to God, #765
Please sing twice.

Passing the Peace

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

Closing Blessing

Closing Music 9:30 "Variation 1 from the Goldberg Variations" JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH
Wade Meyers, piano
11:00 "With God, Everything is Possible"
Christian Women Fellowship

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Participating in the service:

Mr. Wade Meyers, Director of Music and Worship Arts
Ms. Carolyn Hayes, Director of Children and Young Families

Rev. Mary Beth Lawrence

Rev. Mary Austin

Rev. John Molina-Moore, General Presbyter, National Capital Presbytery, Guest Preacher

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