

The Service for the Lord's Day  
6th Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m.

May 14, 2023

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*Prelude*

*Easter Joy*

Bell Choir

*Welcome & Prayer*

*\*Call to Worship*

Bless the Lord, O people, sing!

**All: Let the sound of praise ring out.**

Come and hear what the Lord has done,

**All: The Lord who has made everything!**

*\*Hymn 645*

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*Call to Confession*

*Prayer of Confession*

Loving God, we do not always keep your commandments; we fail to love you; our conscience is not clear. Wash us in the water of life that we may live again through the grace and mercy of Jesus, our resurrected Savior. Amen.

*Declaration of Forgiveness*

Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine. God is doing a new thing; now it springs forth.

Leader: Hear and believe the good news that comes from God.

**ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

*\*Hymn 587*

*Alleluia!*

CELTIC ALLELUIA

*Passing the Peace*

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*Time with the Children*

*Prayer for Illumination*

*Scripture Readings*

Acts 17:22-31

John 14:15-21

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Sermon*

“Jesus’ Promise”

The Rev. Chris McAuliffe

*\*Affirmation of Faith*

From The Iona Community

**We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of the One God, Maker and Sustainer of earth, sea, and sky. Born of Mary's womb, faithful to the God of Abraham and Sarah, Jesus healed the sick, served the poor, and proclaimed heaven on earth. Condemned by the religious, crucified by the state, he died but transformed even death and rose to life everlasting. He blessed the disciples with his Holy Spirit and sent them forth, east and west, north and south. We commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters and to his mission in and for the world in the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*Sanctuary Choir*

*If You Love Me*

*Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer*

**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.**

*Bell Choir*

*With Timbrel and Dance*

*Community Life and Offering*

*\*Hymn 366*

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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*Benediction*

*Postlude*

We extend the condolences of the congregation to Ainsley McLean and her mother, Rosalind Vaz-MacLean, upon the death grandmother and mother, Mercia Vaz (98) on May 2.

We celebrate the following birthdays:

4/14 - Robert Whittlesey, Damon Dowd

4/15 - Alice Smith, Susan Haynes, Maggie Koonce

4/17 - Denise Pierson, Ashley Lau

4/18 - Marjorie Christian, Maximus Devinney

4/20 - Patsy Koonce, Mike Shively

*If we are missing your birthday, please contact Jeanne Grillo at [admin@potomacpresbyterian.org](mailto:admin@potomacpresbyterian.org).*

We continue to keep in our prayers: *Members of the Armed Forces and their families; Margie Bedingfield; Jeanie Bissey; Martha Brame; John Clouse; Peggy Coco, sister-in-law of Penny Boyd; Julie Crater; Tad DeMarco, family friend of the Hougens; Naomi & Bob Gerwin, sister and brother-in-law of Marcia Boogaard; Dave Gorman, son of Nancy Tietjen & brother of Beth Rudnic; Doug Henderson; Camille Kendall; Bill Malone; Julie McMahon; Sally O'Neal; Nettie Propps; Millie Rowan; Paddy Simpson; Del Smith; Allison Talbot, mother of Tracy Talbot; Marnel Williams; Karen Wise; Bonita Wolford, of Gilbert, West Virginia.*

Prayers for all who are in the path of war in Ukraine and that a peaceful solution to the war between Russia and Ukraine would be made real.

Prayers for all who've been devastated by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria.

If you would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Pastor Emily at [emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org](mailto:emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org) or call the church office at 301-299-6007.

*Names will remain on the prayer list for six weeks, unless otherwise requested.*



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**We are an active Christian community devoted to worship that stirs the soul, education that engages the mind, and service that sends us into the world.**

**The church office is open from 9:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Thursday.**

**The office is closed on Fridays and Saturdays.**

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## This Week at Potomac Presbyterian Church

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<b>MONDAY 5/15</b>	12:00pm Faith, Hope, and Lunch 2:00pm Handbell Choir 7:30pm Session Meeting
<b>TUESDAY 5/16</b>	10:00pm Men's Book Club 1:00pm Staff Meeting 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir
<b>WEDNESDAY 5/17</b>	10:00am Bible Study
<b>THURSDAY 5/18</b>	4:00pm Faith, Hope, and Coffee (zoom)
<b>FRIDAY 5/19</b>	Office Closed (regular Schedule)

Jeanne Grillo, Office Administrator, will be out of the office from Tuesday, May 17, through Monday, May 22.

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### The staff and officers of Potomac Presbyterian Church welcome you to worship today:

The Rev. Emily Berman D'Andrea	Pastor, Head of Staff	Emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org
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Preston Kuhn, Ryan Kunst	Youth Interns	
Fela Huayta	Custodian	
Greg Robertson	Section Leader	
Jenny Robertson	Section Leader	

**The Session** Moderator, Rev. Emily Berman D'Andrea Chidi Obasi, Clerk of Session

**Class of 2023**

Steve Dorman, *Property*\*  
Leslie Kerr, *Finance*\*  
Jung Lawrence, *Christian Ed* \*  
John Sohl, *Personnel*\*

**Class of 2024**

Jon Davies, *Worship*\*  
Bob Karch, *Christian Ed*  
Louise Plumb, *Memorial Garden/Personnel*  
Tracy Talbot, *Mission*

**Class of 2025**

Chris Cyrway, *Property*  
Tom Hougen, *Mission*  
Beatrice Laryea, *Worship*  
Chris Smith, *Finance/Endowment*

**The Deacons**, Penny Boyd, Moderator

**Class of 2023**

Penny Boyd, *Fellowship*  
Jackie Cronin, *Fellowship*  
Wendy Kuhn, *Congregational Care*  
Bob Stow, *Congregational Care*\*

**Class of 2024**

Allan Kamara, *Congregational Care*  
Ainsley MacLean, *Congregational Care*  
Brad McAuliffe, *Fellowship*\*  
Sharon Shively, *Fellowship*

**Class of 2025**

Daniel Chombo, *Congregational Care*  
Melissa Grigorian, *Congregational Care*  
Suzi Henderson, *Fellowship*  
Robert Whittlesey, *Fellowship*

\* Committee Chair    \*\* Committee Co-Chairs