11:00 a.m. May 21, 2023

Prelude

Welcome & Prayer

*Call to Worship

The Psalmist says, let the righteous be joyful and rejoice before God.

All: We come filled with joy.

Sing to God, all people of the world.

All: We sing praises to God most high.

From the sanctuary of heaven,

All: God gives life and renews the face of the earth.

God renews us for living.

All: Spirit Divine, attend our prayers.

**Hymn 407* (v1-3)

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

NUN DANKET ALL' UND BRINGET EHR'

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we confess that we do not always bring honor and glory to your name. We are rebellious and weak. We run away from your goodness believing instead that we don't need you and can do what needs to be done alone. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us by the grace and mercy of Christ, that we may rise up again in peace to love and serve you in your world. Amen

Declaration of Forgiveness

The Spirit of God rests upon you to restore, support and strengthen you. Be at peace in the One who forgives and loves you.

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

Introduction of New Members

Roland Achiri & Vera Tembunde, (and their 3 sons), Alison Cassidy, Michelle Chikezie

Questions to the Congregation

Hymn 407 (v4)

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

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Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Acts 1:6-14 John 17:1-11

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 407 (v5)

Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers

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Sermon

"Jesus' Prayer for YOU"

The Rev. Emily Berman D'Andrea

*Hymn 465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

*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.

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.

Sanctuary Choir

Community Life and Offering

*Hymn 853

We Are Marching in the Light of God

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Benediction

Postlude

We celebrate the following birthdays:

5/21 - Matthew Mamalian

5/23 - Martha Brame, Jane Klink, Grace Pereles, Alex Mamalian

5/25 - Brooklyn Caswell

5/26 - Ryan Kunst

5/27 - Brooks Woodside

If we are missing your birthday, please contact Jeanne Grillo at 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 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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The church office is open from 9:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Thursday.

The office is closed on Fridays and Saturdays.

This Week at Potomac Presbyterian Church

TUESDAY 5/23 1:00pm Staff Meeting

4:00pm National Capital Presbytery Meeting

10:00am Bible Study WEDNESDAY 5/24

THURSDAY 5/25 4:00pm Faith, Hope, and Coffee (zoom)

Office Closed (regular Schedule) **FRIDAY 5/26**

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 The Rev. Chris McAuliffe **Associate Pastor** Chris.mcauliffe@potomacpresbyterian.org Tom Andrew **Director of Music and Organist** tom.andrew@potomacpresbyterian.org Lindsay Chapin Treasurer lindsay.chapin@potomacpresbyterian.org Jeanne Grillo Office Administrator admin@potomacpresbyterian.org

James Chhetree **Technology Specialist**

Sunday School Teacher Angela Achee

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*

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Jon Davies, Worship* Bob Karch, Christian Ed Louise Plumb, Memorial Garden/Personnel Chris Smith, Finance/Endowment Tracy Talbot, Mission

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