

The Service for the Lord's Day
12th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.

August 20, 2023

Prelude

selections from French Suite in B minor, BWV 814

Bach

Welcome & Prayer

***Call to Worship**

Turn us, O God,

ALL: away from the world's temptations and distractions.

Return us, O God,

ALL: to the quiet calm of your presence.

Restore us, O God,

ALL: to the path you call us to follow.

Orient us, O God,

ALL: to the hope of all that is possible through you.

***Hymn 399**

God Welcomes All

THEMBA AMEN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God our refuge, you hear our cries for mercy. You lift the lowly and offer hope to the hopeless. But we, who benefit from your grace, do not emulate you and your ways. We are quick to condemn, exaggerate critique and act mercilessly. We confess the ways we demean and dehumanize others. We pray for your forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Our Lord says to all who will listen, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine."

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

ALL: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***Hymn 582**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

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

Matthew 15:21-28

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Great is Your Faith!”

The Rev. Emily Berman D’Andrea

**Hymn 300*

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY’LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

**Affirmation of Faith*

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-10

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. . . By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. Amen.

Special Music

Great is Thy Faithfulness

August McFeaters & Emily D’Andrea on flute

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.

Community Life and Offering

**Hymn 39*

Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Benediction

Postlude

Piano Sonata in C Major, K. 545: I. Allegro

Mozart

We celebrate the following birthdays:

8/20 - Elijah Whittlesey

8/21 - Vicki Dorman, Cheri Rogers, Emily Cyrway

8/22 - Kitty Cowie

8/24 - Beth Dart, Juliette Mamalian

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; Jill Asman and Deb Ellman, friends of Marcia Boogaard; Martha Brame; John Clouse; Julie Crater; Margaret Fahs; Naomi & Bob Gerwin and Ronnie sister and brother-in-laws of Marcia Boogaard; Dave Gorman, son of Nancy Tietjen & brother of Beth Rudnic; Doug Henderson; Camille Kendall; Bill Malone; Sally O'Neal; Nettie Propps; Paddy Simpson; Del Smith; Marnel Williams; Bonita Wolford, of Gilbert, West Virginia; Helen Yang, mother of Janet Deviney.*

Please hold the Music Search Committee members in prayer as they help us discern who God is preparing to serve our community using the gifts of music. Search Committee members are *Jon Davies, Linda Knowles, Cyndy Mamalian, Corey McAuliffe, Arianna McFeaters, Charlie Nahabedian, Chinyere Obasi.*

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.

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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THANK YOU

We met our goal this year to provide **10 pencil pouches** and **10 backpacks** filled with new school supplies.

All supplies should be at church by 10 am, Sunday, August 20, when we will assemble for delivery.

This Week at Potomac Presbyterian Church

MONDAY 8/21	9:00am Vacation Bible School 7:00pm Session Meeting
TUESDAY 8/22	9:00am Vacation Bible School 1:00pm Staff Meeting
WEDNESDAY 8/23	9:00am Vacation Bible School
SATURDAY 8/26	9:00am Officer Retreat/Planning Day, Fellowship Hall

**The church office is open from 9:00am to 4:00pm, Monday through Thursday.
The office is closed on Fridays and Saturdays.**

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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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

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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



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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.