

The Service for the Lord's Day

11:00 a.m.

October 29, 2023

Prelude

Aria from The Goldberg Variations

Bach

Welcome & Prayer

***Call to Worship**

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

All: In you, we come home— to rest, to wrestle, to love, to be loved. We dwell in you.

Before the mountains were born, before you delivered the whole world, from everlasting past to everlasting future, you are God.

All: In you, we are home— we dream, we flourish, we fade, we rejoice. We dwell in you.

Let us worship the Lord our God.

***Hymn 795**

Healer of Our Every Ill

HEARER OF OUR EVERY ILL

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess that we have neither loved our neighbors as ourselves nor honored ourselves as your beloved creation. We have judged unjustly, regarded others ungenerously, profited at the losses of those near and distant, borne grudges, desired vengeance, and kept silence in the face of wrongdoing. We long to live in accord with your desire that your way of compassion, kindness, and honesty will govern our hearts and minds, turning us toward lives of peace. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Beloved, turn once again to the gospel and the Good News: that in Christ we are accepted as we are. Believe that we are forgiven, loved with the delight of a nursing mother cherishing her child. Believe that we are the church, the body of Christ, called to love one another as gentle children of God.

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

Psalm 90:1-6,13-17

Matthew 22:34-46

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Generous to Our Core" The Rev. Chris McAuliffe

Hymn 203 *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love* CHEREPONI

Generosity Speakers Chidi and Chinyere Obasi

Bell Choir "For the Beauty of the Earth"

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.

Special Music *Farewell to Stromness* Peter Maxwell Davies

Community Life and Offering

**Hymn 795* *Healer of Our Every Ill* HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

Benediction

Postlude *Waltz in E-flat Major, Op. Posth* Chopin

Congregational Meeting to Elect Officers

Nominated Elders

David Boyd
Michelle Chikezie
Kitty Cowie
Jackie Cronin (2 year term)
Lloyd Smith

Nominated Deacons

Marcia Boogaard
Alison Cassidy
Janet Dunlop
Ann Eagleson (1 year term)
Alex Shalaby

We are extremely excited to welcome Sam Gray to Potomac Presbyterian Church to serve as Director of Music and Organist

Sam brings a wealth of experience and a wide range of music ministry gifts. He is an accomplished pianist, organist, vocalist, and music educator. Sam will begin his music ministry with us on November 1, 2023.

Many thanks to Cyndy Mamalian who chaired the Director of Music search committee as well as thanks to committee members for their faithful work in helping to bring Sam Gray to Potomac Presbyterian Church.

Committee members include:

Jon Davies, Linda Knowles, Corey McAuliffe, Arianna McFeaters, Charlie Nahabedian, Chinyere Obasi



The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for Sean Cavanaugh's beautiful music ministry. We are so thankful for Sean's willingness to help us out during the time we have been without a Director of Music and Organist. He stepped in without missing a beat and we are the better for it.

We celebrate the following birthdays:

10/29 - Fiona Asbury, Matthew Beardall, Amara Obasi, Claire Teotia

10/30 - Robert Karch

11/3 - Beverly D'Andrea, Ed Tennent

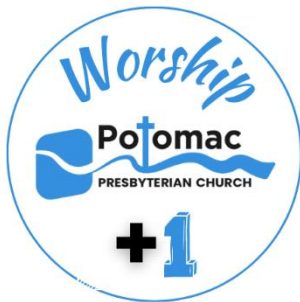
If we are missing your birthday, please contact Jeanne Grillo at admin@potomacpresbyterian.org.

We continue to keep in our prayers: *Members of the Armed Forces and their families; the family of Alan Elliott, cousin of Kathryn Berkenpas; Jill Asman and Deb Ellman, friends of Marcia Boogaard; Martha Brame; John Clouse; Chip Crater; Margaret Fahs; Naomi & Bob Gerwin and Ronnie sister and brother-in-laws of Marcia Boogaard; Gayle Goff; Dave Gorman, son of Nancy Tietjen & brother of Beth Rudnic; Diane Gregg; Doug Henderson; Camille Kendall; Bill Malone; Dick McClain, friend of Jack Smith; Sally O'Neal; Mary Lou Plumb, aunt of Bob Plumb; Nettie Propps; Ann Rooney, mother of Julie McMahan; David Sheron, son-in-law of Bob Stow; Paddy Simpson; Del Smith.*

Prayers for all in the path of war in Ukraine, Israel, Palestine, and Artsakh. We pray for peace.

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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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.

This Week at Potomac Presbyterian Church

MONDAY 10/30	12:00pm Faith, Hope, and Lunch
TUESDAY 10/31	1:00pm Staff Meeting 4:00pm Handbell Choir, Choir Loft
WEDNESDAY 11/1	First official day for our new Director of Music and Organist, Sam Gray 10:00am Bible Study
THURSDAY 11/2	4:00pm Faith, Hope, and Coffee
SATURDAY 11/4	9:00am New Officer Training

**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
The Rev. Chris McAuliffe	Associate Pastor	Chris.mcauliffe@potomacpresbyterian.org
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Angela Achee	Sunday School Teacher	
Fela Huayta	Custodian	

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