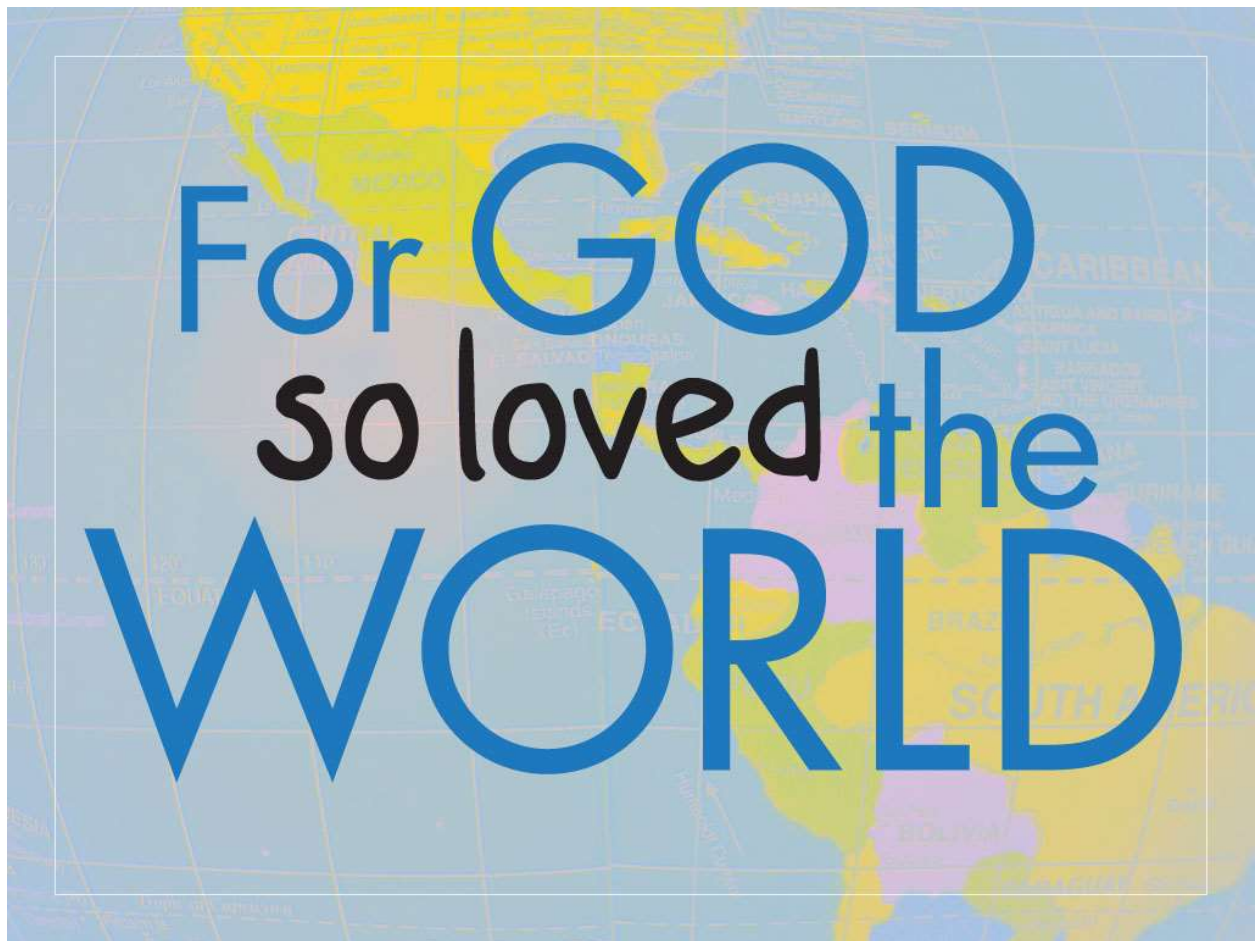


TAKOMA PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 29, 2023

Reformation Sunday

Live streamed at 11:00 a.m.



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A Church for All People

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

(*) Indicates those who are able, please stand.



Preparation for Worship

Let the Prelude's music open you to God's presence as we begin worship.

"Love and ever more love is the only solution to every problem that comes up. If we love each other enough, we will bear each other's faults and burdens. If we love enough, we are going to light that fire in the hearts of others. And it is love that will burn out the sins and hatreds that sadden us."

-Dorothy Day

GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

St. Peter

Healey Willan

Welcome

Opening Prayer (unison)

God of our Savior, you command us to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. In all that we do, help us to emulate Christ.

As Christ's disciples, help us to follow his way of love, truth, and justice.

As Christ's body, may the world know your love through us - what we do, who we are, how we pray.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

Call to Worship *Responsively* **from Psalm 1**

Happy are those who follow the path of love and justice.

Our delight is in the law of the Lord.

May we be like trees planted by streams of God's living water.

May our lives bear good fruit, loving God and loving neighbor.

***Hymn 11 Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud**

Prayer of Confession

Sin betrays us and our God. Repentance redeems and restores. Let us come before God together and confess our brokenness.

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray:

Eternal God, your law commands us to love our neighbors as ourselves. Too often we prioritize our own interests above the health and welfare of others. We betray you and our best selves by living without regard for the ways our actions harm our neighbors in need and the planet entrusted to our care. Open our hearts to love. Open our minds to honestly acknowledge our role in wrongdoing. Forgive us and return us to your way of righteousness.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

***Praise 582 (v.1) Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me**

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

(Worshippers on Zoom may unmute themselves and share the peace.)

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination 458

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. (2x)

First Scripture Reading

I Corinthians 13

Anthem

How Firm a Foundation

Arr. Emma Lou Diemer

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can God say than to you God hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by your righteous, omnipotent hand."

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For I will be with thee thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress."

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine."

"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose.
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never for sake!" Amen.

"K" in Rippon's A Selection of Hymns, 1787

Time with Children

Rev. Mark Harper

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 22:34-40

Sermon

The Map Is Not The Ground

Rev. Mark Harper

***Hymn 300**

We Are One in the Spirit

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People

Rev. Mark Harper

*Prayers will be read from the Prayer Book, invited from the congregation
and read from the Zoom "Chat Box".*

Response: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayers.**

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

O Holy Trinity of Love,

Holy are you and holy is your name.

May your shalom come and your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us our daily bread,
and forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Walk with us through times of trial and save us from evil.
For the Beloved Community, the power, and the glory
are yours now and forever. Amen.

The Offering Invitation

*The offering plate reminds us of the many contributions
we all make to our church and God's realm.
Please pass it to your neighbor and offer thanks for each other's gift.*

The Offertory

Be in My Seeing

Wayne L. Wold

Be in my seeing, O God of my heart;
all is as nothing beside heaven's King.
Be in my thinking by day and by night.
Be in my sleeping, the dream of my soul.

Be in my speaking; be light of my mind.
Be, Lord, within me; may I be in you.
Be my dear Parent; may I be your child.
Be my own always; take me as your own.

Be, Lord, my war shield, the sword in my hand.
Be my high honor; be all my delight.
Be my protection, my fortress of strength.
Bring me where angels are singing your praise.

Be my salvation in body and soul.
Be my true kingdom in heav'n and on earth.
Be my own loved one, great joy of my heart,
You and no other, O heaven's high King.

James Quinn, S.J.

***Doxology 607**

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God who we adore. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication (Unison)**

Holy God, these offerings are only a portion of all that you have given us.
We gratefully entrust these gifts to your care and Christ's ministry. May
these gifts reflect our love for our neighbors in need, blessing others as we
have been blessed. Amen.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

Announcements of the Community's Life

***Sending Hymn 275 A Mighty Fortress is Our God**

***Benediction**

Postlude

Our God, Our Help

Healey Willan

Note:

*Some of today's liturgy was adapted from a Presbyterian Outlook Worship
Resource written by the Rev. Teri McDowell Ott.*

Community worship ends; discipleship and service begin anew.

Participants in this morning's service

Rev. Mark Harper, Pastor
Peter Lukehart, Liturgist
Takoma Park Presbyterian Church Choir
James Bingham, organ
Jay Clouse, Zoom Technician
Erol Kalayoglu, Zoom Technician

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Schedule for upcoming events

**** Zoom events**

Monday, October 30, 7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, October 31, 12 p.m.	Virtual Coffee Hour**
Tuesday, October 31, 7:00 p.m.	SWAC Meeting**
Wednesday, November 1, 7:00 p.m.	Congregation and Community Engagement Ministry**
Wednesday, November 1, 8:15 p.m.	Presbyterians for Police Transformation**
Thursday, November 2, 6:30 p.m.	Deacons Meeting**
Saturday, November 4, 9:00 a.m.	Fall Bazaar (see below)
Sunday, November 5, 11:00 a.m.	Worship Service (<i>hybrid</i>)**

+Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, **you are welcome here.** We are pleased you are with us today.

+On Sunday, November 5, we'll be celebrating **All Saints Day**, when we'll remember friends and family who have passed away over the last year. Their names will be read from the pulpit and the Deacons will have a table ready to display pictures and memories of your loved ones. If you wish to have names read during worship, please send them to Lisa (lisajkiely@gmail.com).

+We need **volunteers to host coffee hour!** Hosting is easy and fun. Help support this important time of fellowship and sharing by signing up to host coffee hour - pick your Sunday and signup using this signup genius link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094BAFAD23A0FDC61-tppc>

Questions contact rogergriffis61@gmail.com or 301-980-4694 Thank you!

+TPPC Bazaar Nov 4

The TPPC Bazaar is a fun community event that raises funds for Church mission areas and provides goods and services to members of our broader community.

We need your help to make this another great event - here's what you can do to help.

1. **DONATE** some of your unneeded treasures! You can drop off donations at the TPPC gym 4 pm to 8pm Monday Oct 30 or Wednesday - Friday, November 1-3 (or contact the TPPC Office for more options office@takomaparkpc.org, 301-270-5550).
2. **SIGN UP HERE TO HELP!** There are lots of ways to help, such as sorting and arranging donations on tables the week before the Bazaar, helping staff a section from kitchenware to electronics and clothing, and helping pack-up any leftovers at the end of the day. **Sign up here using this signup sheet** or add your name to signup poster in the back of the Sanctuary (questions contact rogergriffis61@gmail.com).
3. **SHARE** information about the Bazaar with your friends and listservs (grab and forward the [general announcement](#)).

For more information contact Phil Boyer at philboyer60@gmail.com, Jo Hoge, Roger Griffis at rogergriffis61@gmail.com or the TPPC Office office@takomaparkpc.org (301-270-5550).

+2024 Stewardship Campaign. We enter the fall stewardship season in a spirit of gratitude for God's abundant harvest of peace, justice, and love. God accepts and multiplies whatever we offer to help build the Beloved Community. On **Commitment Sunday on November 12, 2023**, we will make our annual pledges as a community during worship. And afterwards, we will celebrate with a delicious lunch catered by the talented chefs at Crossroads Community Kitchen. If you can't make it on November 12, please visit <https://www.takomaparkpc.org/give>.

+Thank you for your continued support of TPPC.

As a reminder, there are several ways to give to TPPC. Information on giving, including giving online, can be found at

<https://www.takomaparkpc.org/give>.

Checks may be mailed to

Takoma Park Presbyterian Church,
310 Tulip Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912.

If you have questions, please contact finance@takomaparkpc.org.



Next Sunday, November 5, at 2 a.m., local time, our clocks will go back an hour and we will gain an extra hour of sleep.

Remember to set your clocks back one hour.

STAFF

“Ministers: all the people of the church.”

Rev. Mark Harper - *Pastor*
Dr. James Bingham - *Music Director*
Joanna Tipton - *Bookkeeper*
Gary Cardillo - *Buildings Manager*
Miliadi Rodas-Cruz - *Nursery Assistant*
Sabrina Tyson - *Nursery Assistant*
Una Kettering - *Office Administrator*

Parish Associates	Rev. John Seaman
	Rev. Carolyn Tilley
Parish Assistant	Rev. Eugene Olu Eastman
Greeter	Isaac Frazer
Treasurer	Aggie Patti

SESSION

Clerk of Session - Kurt Lawson

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Kathy Belyeu	Phil Boyer	Juliana Chenue
Roger Griffis	Jean Dickey	Samuel Kalibala
Diane Curran	Alphonso Williams	Karol Keane
Kurt Lawson	Rebecca Woodings	Thomas Showalter

DEACONS

Moderator of Deacons - Lisa Kiely

Cynthia Barron	Karen Boyer	Ethan Bailey
Neel Hunter	Gary Cardillo	Martha Kiger
Madline Morsha-Taylor	Lisa Kiely	Carol Christensen