

8:30 a.m.

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

September 28, 2025

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

DCPC is a welcoming, affirming, and inclusive faith community where all are one in Christ. As a member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians, we join our denomination's highest body, The General Assembly, in the following affirmation, adopted in 2018:

"Celebrating the expansive embrace of the gospel of Jesus Christ and the breadth of our mission to serve a world in need, the 223rd General Assembly (2018) affirms the gifts of LGBTQ[IA]+ people for ministry and celebrates their service in the church and in the world."

We are also a Matthew 25 congregation, The Matthew 25 vision calls for the members and ministries of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to be actively

Prelude

### \* Call to Worship

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**All: Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.**

One: Know that the Lord is God. It is the Lord who made us and we are God's.

**All: We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

One: Enter the Lord's gates with thanksgiving and God's courts with praise.

**All: Give thanks to the Lord and bless God's name.**

One: For the Lord is good and God's steadfast love endures forever

**All: And God's faithfulness to all generations.**

### \* Hymn 2

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

Prayer of Confession

**All: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

*Please continue your prayers in silence.*

Declaration of Love

One: Hear the good news. As far as the East is from the West, so far has God removed our transgressions from us. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Song of Praise, No. 585

MACHU-PICHU

**All: Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest.  
To God be glory forever!  
Alleluia, amen!**

engaged in their communities by working toward building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism, and eradicating systemic poverty

Use this QR code to fill out the online friendship pad.



The Brief Statement of Faith, from the PC(USA) Book of Confessions, was written following the 1983 reunification of the northern and southern Presbyterian denominations. It represents our shared faith, celebrated in all of its richness, in the midst of our diversity. To learn more visit [www.pcusa.org](http://www.pcusa.org) or use the QR code below.

### \* Passing of the Peace

**One:** God is God and you are not. Receive the gift of peace that comes in knowing that God's got this. God's got you. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All:** And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Peace and Global Witness

## HEARING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Time with Children

**All Sing:**

**Come into God's presence singing:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Scripture

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Scripture

Jeremiah 32:1-3, 6-15

Sermon

Field of Dreams

Peter Henry

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### \*Affirmation of Faith

*A Brief Statement of Faith, Section 4 (pg. 38 in hymnal)*

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

**Sing when invited:**

**Lord, listen to your children praying.**

**Lord, send you Spirit in this place.**

**Lord, listen to your children praying:**

**send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.**

**All: 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.**

Offertory

Lead Me, Lord

Samuel Sebastian Wesley



We are invited to make an offering in response to God's grace and love and to Jesus' call to care for one another. You can use the QR code below or place your offering in offering plate.



Use this QR Code to go to a document which contains all of our current **Sign-Up Links** for things like worship greeting and ushering, fellowship event registrations, service opportunity information and registrations, and more.



\* Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

All: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\* Prayer of Dedication

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD  
INTO THE WORLD

\* Hymn 331

God of the Ages

National Hymn

\* Benediction

Christ of the Seven Directions

\* Postlude

Worship Leaders
Preacher – Peter Henry Liturgists – Caitlyn Zold, Van Lear Logan Minute for Mission – Harriet Regen Musicians – David Brinson, Sarah Lynch, Chancel Choir Greeters/Ushers – Doug Fitzpatrick Tech –Bill Hatfield, Ben Slay

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## Childcare &

### Children's Sunday School

Children are invited to Sunday School, 9:45-10:45 a.m. Come hear Bible stories, make friends, have fun, and learn! Classes for infants through Preschool are on the lower level. Children in TK/Kindergarten through fifth grade are on the upper level. Please check in at a kiosk prior to drop off to receive name tags.

Childcare for ages 0-6 is available in room 14 weekly from 8:15 am – 12:15 p.m. A comfort room is available in Room 13 for nursing, napping babies with a live stream of worship.

## Hearing Assistance Devices

Our devices are available in baskets at each entrance to the sanctuary. Each receiver pack has one of two cords: a simple in-ear piece and a T-Coil neck loop. If you need assistance, please see a worship leader.

## Pew Cushions

A limited number of pew cushions are available for worshipers with back issues in the narthex.

## Narthex Bathrooms

The bathrooms in the narthex (the entry way from the campus, at the back of the sanctuary) are all-gender bathrooms.

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