DAVIDSON COLLEGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Service for the Lord's Day

9:30 a.m. | Reign of Christ Sunday | November 22, 2026

The banners in the Sanctuary and Chapel represent DCPC's international partnerships with the Sigona Presbyterian Church in Kenya and the Kilambe communities in Nicaragua. Identical banners are in their worship spaces. Learn more about our partnerships at our website or use this QR code.

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

We are invited to make an offering in response to God's grace and love and to Jesus' call to care for one another.

Gathering Around the Word

Centering Song — Love the Lord Your God

* Call to Worship

* Song of Praise — We Fall Down

Prayer of Confession and Silent Confession — Softly and Tenderly

Declaration of Love

* Passing of the Peace

As the music begins, children are invited to come forward.

Time with Children — Come and See

People planning to attend Sunday School may leave after the time with children.

* Song of Praise — You Are Holy

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission — Room in the Inn

Hearing the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures — Matthew 5:13-16; Isaiah 2:1-4

Sermon — Isaiah's Meck. Dec. Problem — Peter Henry

Responding to the Word

* Song of Response — Goodness is Stronger than Evil

* Affirmation of Faith — Isaiah 40:28-31

Fall is a season of change and new hope; take a moment to look at the leaves in our worship spaces the children of our church FF classes and our preschool created, some with messages of thanksgiving. Our community of faith is strengthened by the creativity and joy our children share with us.

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, event registrations, etc.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

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 — Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love

Magnificent marvelous matchless love Too vast and astounding to tell Forever existing in worlds above Now offered and given to all Oh fountain of beauty eternal The Father the Spirit the Son Sufficient and endlessly generous Magnificent marvelous matchless love

Creation is brimming with thankfulness The mountains exultant they stand The seasons rejoice in Your faithfulness All life is sustained by Your hand You crown every meadow with color You paint every shade in the sky Each day the dawn wakes as an encore of Magnificent marvelous matchless love

How great how sure His love endures forevermore Magnificent marvelous matchless love

What grace that You entered our brokenness You came in the fullness of time How far we had fallen from righteousness But not from the mercies of Christ Your cross is our door to redemption Your death is our fullness of life That day how forgiveness flowed as a flood Magnificent marvelous matchless love

United in Your resurrection You lift us to infinite heights Could anything sever or take us from Magnificent marvelous matchless love

* Doxology — Let All Things Now Living

* Prayer of Dedication

Taking the Word Into the World

* Sending Song — All Glory Be to Christ

* Benediction

Small Groups of the Week

Mahjong

A fellowship group for those who enjoy playing Mahjong and connecting with others who play. Contact Susan Frankum for more information. We are happy to take beginners. First Thursdays, 1:00-3:30 p.m. in the parlor.

Short Story Theology

Join us for conversations about literature, life and faith based on a short story. No literary or biblical expertise required. See Peter Henry for more information. Second Tuesdays 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Worship Leaders

Preacher – Peter Henry
Liturgists – John Ryan, Laszlow Zsuppan
Minute for Mission – Brad Beer
Musicians –David Brinson, Sarah Lynch, Preschool Choir, Children's Choir, Youth Choir, and the Music Team
Greeters – Tyler and Kimberly Ross, Gary and Jennifer Vidmer
Ushers- Tom and Susan Clayton, Adam Parks, Lucas Parks
Technology – Ben Slay

The Bibles in our pews are the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV), originally produced in 1989 as an update to the 1952 Revised Standard Version (RSV). The pastors and readers are now using the New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition (NRSVue) in worship. Published in 2021, the NRSVue incorporates new manuscript discoveries, particularly for the Hebrew Bible, and the latest insights from biblical scholarship. It features clearer, more inclusive language and greater cultural sensitivity compared to prior versions, with over 12,000 substantive revisions to the original NRSV. You can learn more about the NRSVue with this QR code.

Childcare and Sunday School for Children

Children are always welcome in worship. Children's worship bags and bulletins are available at the entrances. Childcare for infants through kindergarten is available in room 14 weekly from 8:30 am – Noon. A comfort room is available in Room 13 for nursing, napping babies, with a live stream of worship.

Children (ages 0 through 5th grade) are invited to attend Sunday School after the Time with Children. We request that parents check in for classes at a kiosk and receive name tags. This may be done prior to worship at an entrance to the sanctuary or on the upper or lower levels. Parents, please escort children to classrooms. Maps are provided in the stairwells. Children should not be unattended in the building, per our Child Protection Policy. Sunday School finishes at 10:45, so enjoy some extra time for you after worship.

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Childcare & Children's Sunday School

Childcare for ages 0-6 is available on the lower level, room 14, every Sunday 9:45-11:15 a.m. during the summer. A comfort room is available in room 15 for nursing or a break from the worship service (for adult and child) with a livestream of the worship service.

Children's Sunday School (for ages 0 and up) resumes on September 13th at 9:45 a.m.

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

Pew cushions are available near each entrance for our worshipers with back issues.

Narthex Bathrooms

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

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