

Ark and Dove Presbyterian Church, USA



SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

Amazing God, wise and loving, grant us not be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly;

and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold tight to that which shall endure.

May everything we have be useful to us in doing good works, as we follow Jesus in the way of love.

Amen.

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 18th, 2022 10:30 a.m.

PREPARATORY MUSIC

God of Justice

- Tim Hughes

THE PRESENTATION OF SCRIPTURE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is calling us to the work of mending the broken world.

Many: **But the world is too broken to be fixed.**

One: God gives us the tools to fix what is broken.

Many: **But even the tools are broken.**

One: God empowers us to fix the tools to mend the world.

Many: **But we ourselves are too broken to mend anything.**

One: God takes what is broken, and who is broken, and makes them strong.

Many: **Let us worship God who does not throw the broken away.**

HYMN NO. 716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

(congregation may stand)

- The Sacred Harp

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all Beginning, and of New Beginnings, you lovingly created the world out of chaos. We bring chaos back into the world with our selfishness and fear, our hate and pride. We do it on a grand scale, hurling nations into war and exterminating other species. We do it in our daily lives, as we seek our own advantage at other's expense at work, school and home. You send us many signs of your love, and opportunities to love others, but we do not see or hear them. Forgive us, we pray, through the grace of Jesus who comes into the chaos of our lives so that we may have a new beginning, as we enter the silence...

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

RESPONSE NO. 583

Glory to God

(congregation may stand)

- Jacques Berthier

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WELCOME, FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS, LIVE-STREAM CHECK-IN, AND JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(We invite you to say hello in the Live Chat.)

A MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP/RENEWED IN GOD

-Doug Walcutt

HYMN NO. 470

There is a Longing in Our Hearts

(congregation may stand)

- Anne Quigley

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

EPISTLE READING

1 Timothy 2:1-7

GOSPEL READING

Luke 16:1-13

RESPONSE

Leader: The Word of God, for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Dirty Hands”

- Stephen Price-Gibson

THE MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

- Pat Barrett

Paul Doughty and Diane Yates

RESPONSE NO. 698

Take, O Take Me As I Am

(congregation may stand)

-John L. Bell

DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, ELECTRONIC AND ONLINE GIVING

HYMN NO. 702

Christ Be Beside Me

(congregation may stand)

- Gaelic melody

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

- Pat Barrett

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANDIDATE ACTION UPDATE! The action has been changed from October 6 to **Friday, October 14 at 7:00pm - 8:30pm**. Ark and Dove will host ACT's Anne Arundel County Candidates night in our Sanctuary, the County Executive and County Council Candidates will be invited. We will need help with the event. See the latest Arkive to register to attend or register to volunteer.

PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS SPECIAL OFFERING 2022 We will be participating in the Peace and Global Witness Special Offering from now until World Communion Sunday on October 2nd.

GLEAM TEAM LGBTQAI+ 101 Class on **Monday, September 19th at 7:30pm** on zoom. Contact Amanda Crose at amanda.rose.crose@gmail.com for the zoom invitation.

BEADELS NEEDED There will be a Beadle training and dinner for interested youth in 5th-8th grades at the church on **Tuesday, September 20th, at 6:15pm**. If interested, please RSVP to Sarah Hendricks, sehendricks@gmail.com, or text 240-615-4986.

LET'S MEET THE NEIGHBORS! Door Knocking effort **Saturday, September 24th 10am-12pm, lunch/debrief 12-1pm**; Prep sessions Sunday, September 18th at 12:45pm and Saturday, September 24th 8:45am. See Arkive for sign up.

PARENT GROUP MEETING Parent Group (for all caregivers of newborns through college-age children) will meet on **Sunday, Sept 25th at 11:30am** for a potluck lunch in the Marshall room.

QUEER SUPPORT GROUP Queer Support Group on **September 27th at 7:30pm** in person at the church. Contact Amanda Crose at amanda.rose.crose@gmail.com.

CAP FOOD PANTRY ITEM OF THE MONTH The CAP Odenton food pantry item of the month for September is peanut butter and jam/jelly. We have marked bins across from the lobby coat rack.

SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Nursery: open for children age birth to 3	9:00 AM and 10:30 Service
PreK Sunday School: Ages 4-5	ONLY at the 10:30 service
Godly Play: Elementary Ages, Grades K-5	9:00 service is a K-5 group 10:30 service has both a K-2 and a 3-5 group
Middle School Sunday School: Grades 6-8	Date starting TBD ONLY at the 10:30 service

LEADERS AND HELPERS NEEDED To ensure that we can continue to offer Christian Educational programs, we NEED leaders! Please consider offering your gifts and talents to help these programs thrive. You will need to complete a background check and training. Curriculum and materials are provided. Please see the latest *Arkive* for details.

LOGOS IS COMING SOON! Registration is open now for the upcoming LOGOS year. This program will be held on Tuesday evenings from **6:00pm to 7:15pm** starting **September 27th**. We would LOVE to have other members of the church volunteer as well including our older youth and seniors! Check out the latest *Arkive* or website for more information. Email logos@arkanddove.org for any questions.

ARK & DOVE BANNED BOOK DRIVE Help us establish a youth/teen library by donating a banned or challenged book from our list. New and gently used copies requested. [SignUpGenius link](#) information posted in the latest *Arkive*. Please contact Amy Tardiff (lilac.n.Spruce@gmail.com) or Kim Champagne (Kim.Champagne@arkanddove.org) if you have any questions.

*If you are not signed up for the weekly *Arkive*, please email admin@arkanddove.org to be added to the emailing list.*

Welcome! We hope you enjoyed worshiping with us! Join us again, every Sunday, 9:00 & 10:30 am for an in-person worship service. Our 10:30 service is also livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook. Godly Play Sunday School for grades pre-K thru 5 is held in-person during the 10:30 service. Child care is available during the 9:00 and 10:30 service. Would you like a pastor to contact you? Would you like to learn more about Ark and Dove?

Please send a note to admin@arkanddove.org.

**We are a Matthew 25 church, a More Light church, and Earth Care Congregation
See the Arkive E-newsletter for more information**

Ministry Leaders

**Liturgist – Cathy Debus
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