

# All Are Welcome in God's House

March 2, 2025

8:30 am

## Transfiguration of the Lord



The Chimes

Welcome and Announcements

*(Persons nearest the center aisle are asked to sign and pass the Act of Friendship pad toward the outside aisle. Please keep the cover open as the pad is returned.)*

Prelude

*Amazing Grace*

Art Shull and Terry Herring, Guitar and Voice

\*Litany of Transfiguration

Blessed is the Lord our God, who revealed the law to Moses.

The Lord our God is holy!

**Blessed is the Lord our God, who has spoken through the prophets. The Lord our God is holy!**

Blessed is the Lord our God, who came to us in Jesus Christ.

The Lord our God is holy!

**The one who spoke and called light out of darkness now shines in our hearts. The Lord our God is holy!**

The one who comes and does not keep silence now speaks in our midst. The Lord our God is holy!

**Now we have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. The Lord our God is holy!**

**Let us worship God!**

\*Hymn 630

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

CRUSADERS' HYMN

Call to Confession and Prayer of Confession

**God of Compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Hear us as we silently confess our sins...**

*(a moment for Silent Reflection and Confession)*

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel!

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\* Please stand in body or in spirit. **Bolded** text invites the congregation to respond

\*The Sharing of the Peace of Christ  
The Peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Old Testament Lesson: Exodus 34:29-35  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Pew Bible, NRSV (OT), p. 81

Anthem *Candles*  
Art Shull and Terry Herring, Guitar and Voice

*(Ushers will collect prayer request cards during this time.)*

Prayer of Illumination

New Testament Lesson: Matthew 17:1-13  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Pew Bible, NRSV (NT), p. 18

Sermon “Light In the Darkness: The Center Lancet” Rev. Dr. Mac Schafer

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (Traditional)

**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.**

\*Hymn 193 *Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain* UNSER HERRSCHER

\*Benediction

Postlude *Crown Him with Many Crowns* arr. Matthew Zizi

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## Welcome to Worship at Doylestown Presbyterian Church!

**Assisting:** Rev. Becca Bateman and Jamie Neal, Seminararian

**Ways to give:** Offering boxes are located at the doors in the front and back of the sanctuary. To give online or via text message, click the “Give” tab at the top of our website.

The **flowers** today are given with fond memories of my beloved husband, Allan Gilmour, on his birthday by Marianne Gilmour; and in loving memory of my mom, Dotti Beck, by Dot and Frank Fabian.

Join for **coffee, tea, and refreshments** on the bridge between worship services each Sunday.



**Fat Sunday is today!** We prepare for the season of Lent with a Mardi Gras celebration for all ages! We'll gather in Fellowship Hall following the 10:30 service for a pancake lunch, jazz music, mask-

making, and closing with a parade led by the kids at 12:30!



**Growth Groups.** Some new groups are beginning soon and many ongoing groups welcome new members. Be sure to visit

[www.dtownpc.org/growth-groups](http://www.dtownpc.org/growth-groups) to view the full list and to join in. This week we are highlighting three groups about to get underway. We welcome you to sign up today!

**Waking Up with the Word** - This group meets Tuesdays during Lent at 7 am beginning **March 11** in the DPC Library. Pastor Mac Schafer leads this group which will focus on the scripture for the upcoming Sunday. No previous Bible Study experience needed.

**Tuesday Night Group** - This group will meet on Zoom Tuesday evenings during Lent at 7 pm beginning **March 11**. Pastor Becca Bateman will focus on the theme of "Restore unto me the joy of my salvation" through several familiar stories of Scripture.

**Brown Bag Lunch with Pastor Mac** - This group will meet Wednesdays during Lent from 12 to 1 pm beginning **March 12** in the Celtic Cross Room. The focus will be *Listening For the Heartbeat of God: A Celtic Spirituality* by J. Philip Newell. Participants are encouraged to read through chapter 1 before the first class.

To join in any of these groups and to browse the complete list of all the new and ongoing small groups at DPC, visit [www.dtownpc.org/growth-groups](http://www.dtownpc.org/growth-groups) today!



**Code Blue Update.** A HUGE thank you to all who donated their time in the kitchen and contributed groceries and homemade baked goods as DPC hosted the Code Blue Shelter in February! During the 24 nights the shelter was open at DPC, there were 729 "heads in beds." The shelter was open double the amount of days it was last year, and without the efforts of everyone involved it would not have been possible!



**Ash Wednesday.** As we begin our Lenten Journey, there are several opportunities to receive ashes on **March 5**. We invite you to...

- **Drop-In** for ashes in the Celtic Cross Room below the sanctuary from **8 to 9 am**
- **Drive-Thru** for ashes along Mechanics Street from **12 to 1 pm**
- Join in an **Intergenerational Worship Service**, where ashes will be administered, **beginning at 5 pm** in the sanctuary followed by an interactive art project for all ages downstairs **until 6 pm**
- Receive ashes at the **Community Labyrinth** at the corner of Ashland and Pine Streets from **6 to 7 pm**



**Carbon Footprint Challenge.** Join the DPC Earth Care Action Team as we examine our individual carbon footprint and view some actions to take that can mitigate climate change. Be sure to visit the displays outside of Room 213 and the Celtic Cross Room today to check it out!

## Children and Youth Sunday School

9:30 - 10:15 am in Andrews Hall

**DPC Nursery:** Open to children 9 months to 2

**Little Lambs:** Ages 2 to kindergarten in the Nursery

**Younger Elementary:** 1st to 3rd grade in Room 211

**CONNECT:** Grades 4, 5, and 6 in the Youth Room (202)

**Youth Bible Study:** Grades 9-12 in Room 203

**Confirmation:** Open to Grades 8+ in Celtic Cross Room

## During 10:30 am Worship Service

**DPC Nursery:** Ages 9 months to age 4

**Children's Worship Time** (ages 4 to 3rd grade) in Room 207

**CWT+** (grades 4 to 6) in Room 202

## Evening Groups for Children and Youth

### Celebration Choir/Wednesday Club

All children in 2nd through 6th Grade. Wednesdays. Choir/Bells @5pm,

Food, faith and fun @5:30 - 6:30 pm **This week:** We take part in the Ash Wednesday intergenerational worship service from 5 to 6 pm. All are invited!

### DPC Youth: Sundays, Grades 7 - 12

**Bells/Choir @5pm, Dinner @5:45, Fellowship @6:15 - 7:30 pm**

**This week:** Move Up Night! We welcome all current 6th graders to Youth Group. During dinner, we'll learn about upcoming mission trips. The youth will go enjoy their normal Youth Group activities, while parents are invited to stay in the CCR for a meaningful activity after dinner.

## Adult Education Offerings

### Good News and Other News

9:30 am, Ruth I. Hughes Memorial Library, AH

Current events are discussed while reflecting upon the story from the perspective of faith.

**This week:** Robotic technology is becoming ubiquitous, whether it's your refrigerator keeping track of your consumption, or home plate umpires getting replaced with machines to call balls and strikes.

Could AI become arbiters of right and wrong for Christians? *Led by Christo Claassens.*

### The Word Among Us - 9:15 am, AH-213

The Word Among Us focuses this season on the Book of Luke. Join us as we study and appreciate the beauty of Scripture and how we can use it in our own devotional times with God.

*Led by Dick Cornelius and Margaret Thoresen.*



*Be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love.*

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