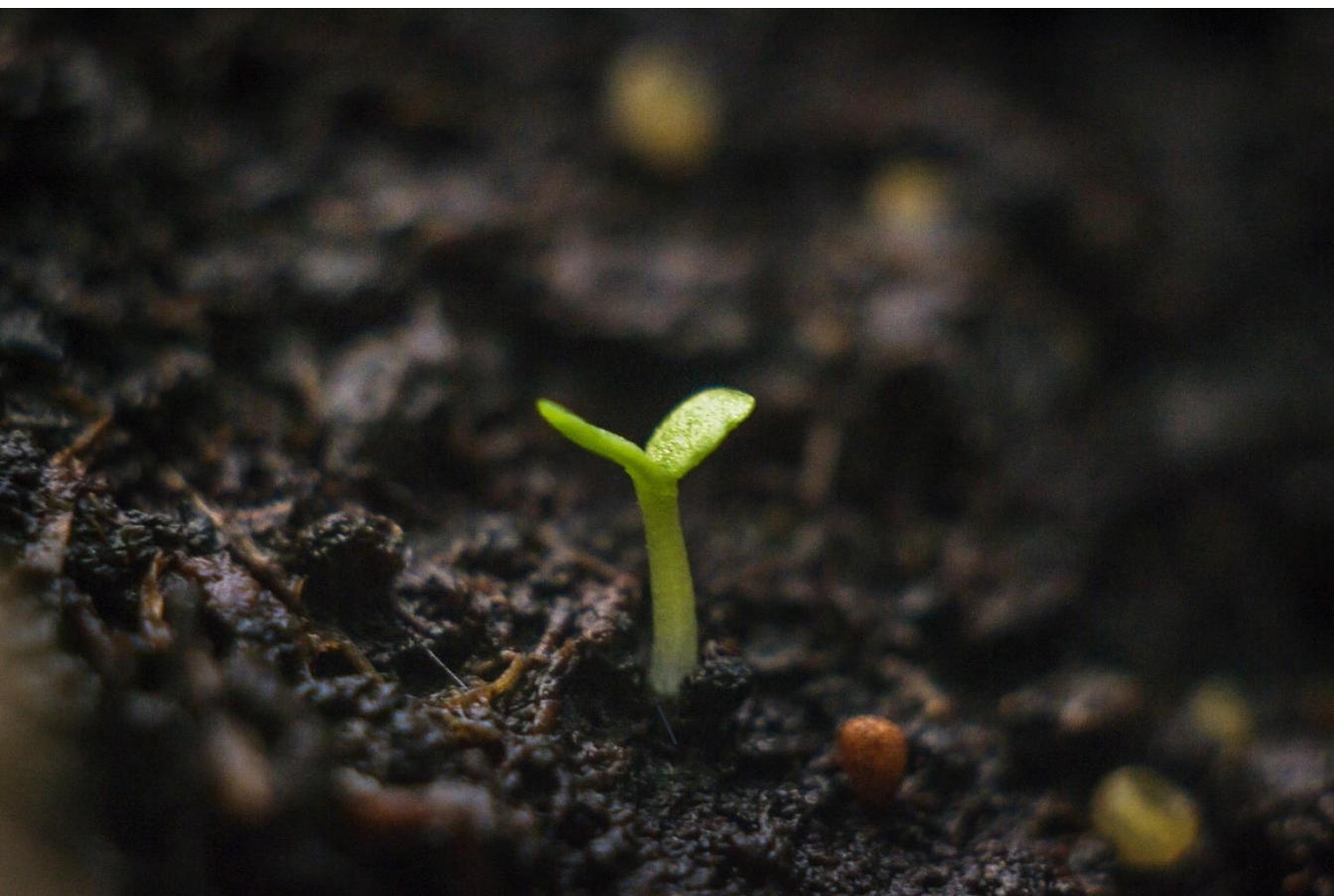




DOWNTOWN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Unseen and Unexpected

Celebration of Worship

June 16, 2024, 11:00 AM

11th Sunday in Regular Time

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*If you have a joy or concern you would like to have lifted in prayer today, please complete a **Prayer Request Card**. Including the name of the person (and pronunciation) or event, and additional information you'd like to share. Prayer Requests will be collected in baskets during the **hymn following the sermon** to share with the Pastor and/or Deacons.*

Prelude

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Arr. Joel Raney

Words of Welcome

David Lee

Announcements

Chime

Introit

Hallelujah!

Gospel

"Hallelujah. . .

God we praise thee. . .

God we thank thee. . ."

*Call to Worship

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One: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High

All: To declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night

One: For you, O Lord, have made us glad by your work,

All: At the works of your hands we sing for joy!

Invocation

Holy One, we praise you for the ways you have worked in our lives and throughout time. We give you thanks for the creation of which we are a part, and for the blessing of each other's company as we seek to love others

and to glorify your name together. Be with us as we sing your praise and hear your Word, and draw us together by the power of your Holy Spirit to be the body of Christ in the world. **Amen.**

*Hymn

O God in a Mysterious Way
(Music may be found on page 7.)

DUNDEE

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

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, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Words of Grace

One: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Friends, believe the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Scripture

Ezekiel 17:22-24

Time with Our Children and Youth

"Look for the Helpers"

Music for Reflection

Trees

Oscar Rasbach

*"I think that I shall never see a poem lovely as a tree.
A tree whose hungry mouth is prest against the earth's flowing breast;
A tree that looks at God all day, and lifts her leafy arms to pray;
A tree that may in summer wear a nest of robins in her hair;
Upon whose bosom snow has lain; who intimately lives with rain.
Poems are made by fools like me, but only God can make a tree."*

Text: Joyce Kilmer

Scripture

Mark 4:26-34

Sermon

Unseen and Unexpected

Eli Henry, M. Div.

*Hymn

Restore in Us, O God
(Music may be found on page 8.)

BAYLOR

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

One: ... Lord, in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer

Prayer of Jesus

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Spirit 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 Spirit, and the
power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering [†]

One: The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it, the world, and those who
live in it. Let us give as we have received, in offering to God and for the
work and life of Christ's church.

Offertory Music

For the Fruit of All Creation
Words: Fred Pratt Green, 1970

EAST ACKLAM
and AR HYD Y NOS

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Let songs rise up from earth below;
Let stars and galaxies enthrone;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One! Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

All: Gracious God, we thank you for all the ways you have blessed us - with time, talents, and resources. We offer these gifts and ourselves to you with thanksgiving and praise. Let them be used to further the mission of your church and the care of all your beloved children. Amen.

*Hymn

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight
(Verses 1, 3 and 4 - Music may be found on page 9.)

DUNLAP'S CREEK

*Charge and Benediction

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. And may the grace of our lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you always. **Amen.**

Postlude

Sonata in D Minor: Vivace

J.S. Bach

*Passing of the Peace

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

Our Guest Preacher. . .

Eli Henry (he/him) is a recent graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, where he earned his Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in Christian Education and Formation. Eli has been approved for ordination by the Presbytery of Genesee Valley, and will be ordained in Rochester later this summer. Starting in August, Eli will be the chaplain resident at Carroll University in Waukesha, Wisconsin, and will also be serving at West Granville Presbyterian Church in Milwaukee, WI.

Join the DUPC Postcard Campaign on June 16th!

On Sunday, June 16, immediately following worship, our congregation will have a special opportunity to encourage citizens to register to vote by writing postcards to them. **The DUPC Justice Ministry** invites you to participate in this important non-partisan initiative!

We will have the postcards, instructions with a script, and a signup sheet at a table at the front of the church. Justice members will be there to get you started! It will be easy for you to take the postcards home and write and send them.

We look forward to your joining the campaign!
For more information: gailmott14619@gmail.com.



Thank you to:

Liturgist: David Lee

Musicians: Alan Jones and Lee Wright

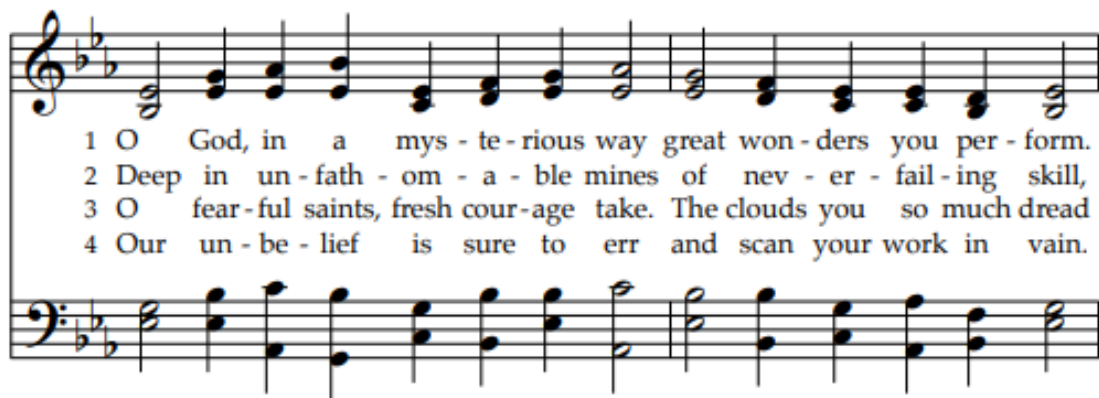
Live Stream Team: Don Fairman, David McDowell, Jim Parks, Sally Allison

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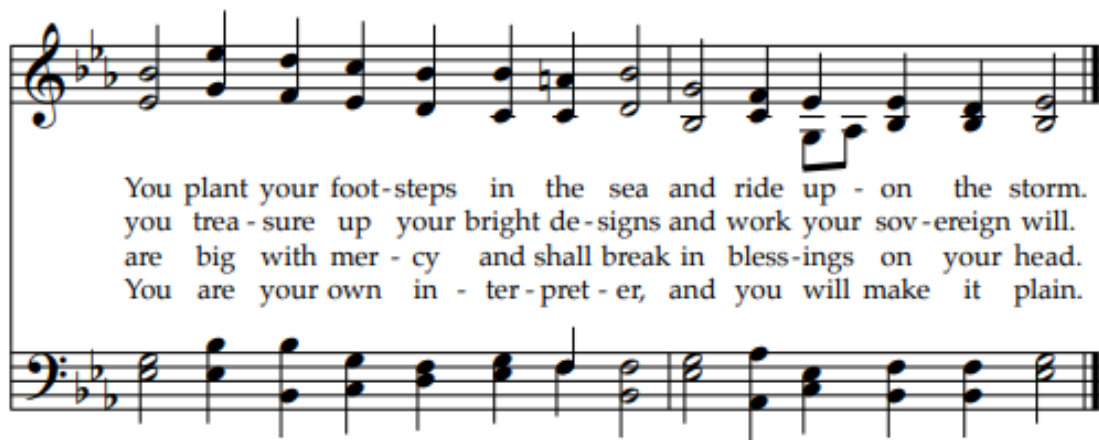
Our annual JAZZ WORSHIP will be on **Sunday, June 23rd**.
Directly after the service the 50th Anniversary Team invites you to the **Strawberry Festival** which will take place right in the Sanctuary. Enjoy fresh strawberries, biscuits, ice cream and whipped cream.



30 O God, in a Mysterious Way



1 O God, in a mys - te - rious way great won - ders you per - form.
2 Deep in un - fath - om - a - ble mines of nev - er - fail - ing skill,
3 O fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take. The clouds you so much dread
4 Our un - be - lief is sure to err and scan your work in vain.

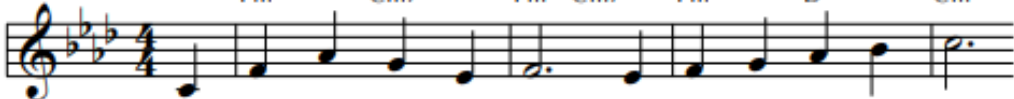


You plant your foot-steps in the sea and ride up - on the storm.
you trea - sure up your bright de - signs and work your sov - ereign will.
are big with mer - cy and shall break in bless - ings on your head.
You are your own in - ter - pret - er, and you will make it plain.

Restore in Us, O God

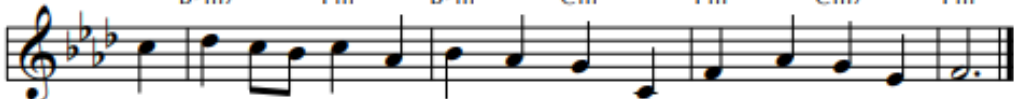
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Capo 1: (Em) (Bm7) (Em) (Bm7) (Em) (C) (Bm)
Fm Cm7 Fm Cm7 Fm D^b Cm



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen-dor of your love;
2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your power;
3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy;
4 Three - per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace,

(Am7) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Bm7) (Em)
B^bm7 Fm B^bm Cm Fm Cm7 Fm



re - new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.
from fruit - less fear un - furl our lives like spring - time bud and flower.
bap - tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.
that we, when all our search - ing ends, may see you face to face.

This text reflects the historic understanding of Lent as a time to prepare catechumens for Baptism and penitents for reconciliation at the Easter Vigil. The first three stanzas address one of the three divine Persons, while the fourth stanza implores the help of the full Trinity.

TEXT: Carl P. Daw Jr., 1987
MUSIC: Hal H. Hopson, 1985
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BAYLOR
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This classic text gains renewed energy and focus from its recasting here: despite our fear and confusion, we can trust that God's providential purposes will eventually be revealed. In its original source the tune printed here is one of twelve not assigned to a specific hymn.

TEXT: William Cowper, 1773, alt.
MUSIC: Scottish Psalter, 1615

DUNDEE
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(alternate harmonization, 45)

817 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 And when our life of faith is done, in

gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you

none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

TEXT: Henry Alford, 1844, alt.
 MUSIC: Samuel McFarland, c. 1814; harm. Richard Proulx, 1986
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DUNLAP'S CREEK
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This Week at Downtown United Presbyterian

Sunday, June 16

Father's Day

10:00 Worship Music Rehearsal
 10:45 Nursery
 11:00 Worship- Eli Henry
 11:15 Sunday School
 12:00 Coffee Hour in Sanctuary

Tuesday, June 18

7:00 Session Mtg via Zoom

Wednesday, June 19

Juneteenth-Building Closed

4:30 Sunday Forum Mtg via Zoom

Thursday, June 20

10:00 Personnel Mtg via Zoom
 7:00 Property Mtg via Zoom

Sunday, June 23

Jazz Sunday

10:00 Worship Music Rehearsal
 10:45 Nursery
 11:00 Worship- Rev. Phil Davis
 11:15 Sunday School
 12:00 Strawberry Festival in Sanctuary

Sunday, June 30

10:00 Worship Music Rehearsal
 11:00 Worship- Rev. Phil Davis
 12:00 Coffee Hour in Sanctuary

Welcome Visitors!

Nursery Care for children up to 2nd Grade is available in room C24.

Children not in nursery care will be invited forward during the “Time with our Children and Youth” for a brief time with the pastor, and then will be taken up to their Sunday School room by their teacher. Parents are welcome to come up with their kids if they would like.

You may place your offering in the offering plates as they are passed. If you would like to donate online you can use the QR code below to make your contribution to the church.

+We seek to use diverse images and liberating language about divine presence in our services of worship. Please feel free to adapt the words in hymns and prayers as needed so that they express your faith.

This is a Hearing Loop equipped sanctuary – please switch your hearing aid to the “T” (telephone) position.

*** An asterisk indicates** “please rise in body or spirit.”

We hope you will join us after worship for conversations and refreshments! Cookies and drinks are available in the front of the sanctuary.



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