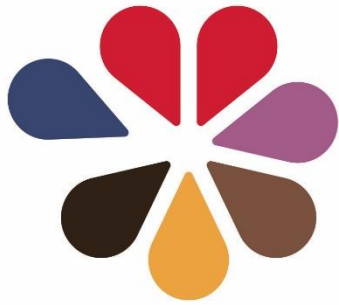




DOWNTOWN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Commensality means eating and drinking at the same table. Shared meals are an investment in creating, building, and maintaining important relationships. Sharing meals was a practice of the early Christian Church. Everyone ate together, regardless of social status, race, class, gender, or economic worth. Commensality contributes to spiritual development through togetherness and giving everyone a sense of belonging and value.

Celebration of Worship

November 17, 2024, 11:00 AM
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
[Click Here to Listen](#)

*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	Andante from Concerto III	William Felton Arr. E. Power Biggs
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Words of Welcome	Rev. Phil Davis
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Announcements

Chime

Introit	Unity	Moone/Washington
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Please join in the refrain:
"Unity, unity, God, we pray for unity."

Gathering Prayer	Pat Tweet
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Unison: Eternal God, as we gather together today, we ask for your spirit of unity to be present among us. Help us to put aside any personal agendas or differences and work together in harmony towards our common goal of "thy kin-dom come on earth as it is in heaven". Remind us of the words in Psalm 133:1, "Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers and [sisters] dwell in unity!"

*Hymn

Blest Be The Tie That Binds
(Verses 1-3 and 6, Music may be found on page 6.)

DENNIS

Centering Prayer

Unison: Eternal God. We come before You to seek Your blessing of good health. Grant us the strength to lead vibrant, energetic lives and the peace to enjoy every moment You give us. May Your protective hand guide us away from illness and pain, and may Your healing touch restore those who are already suffering in mind, body and Spirit. In Christ name we pray. Amen.

Music for Reflection

The Lamb

Brandon Spencer

*"Little Lamb who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee?
Gave thee life and bid thee feed by the stream and o'er the mead;
Gave thee clothing of delight, softest clothing wooly bright;
Gave thee such a tender voice, making all the vales rejoice:
Little Lamb who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee?
Little Lamb I'll tell thee: He is called by thy name, for He calls Himself a Lamb.
He is meek, and He is mild, He became a little child.
I a child, and thou a lamb, we are called by His name.
Little lamb, God bless thee!"*
Text: William Blake (1757-1827)

Scripture

Acts 2:46-47
Matthew 5:3-12

Homily

Rev. Davis

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

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.

*Hymn

May the God of Hope Go with Us
(Music may be found on page 7.)

ARGENTINA

*Blessing of the Food

Choral Response

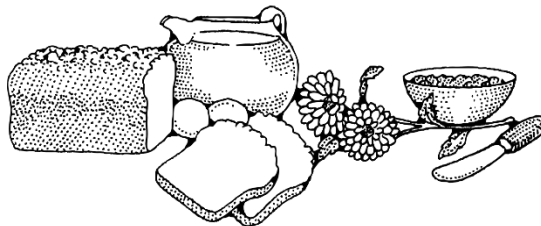
Amen

Justin Wallace

Breaking Bread Together

Sermon

The Conversations You have While You Eat



Thank you to:

Liturgist: Pat Tweet

Chancel Choir Members

Soprano: Nicole Knickerbocker, Lindsey Puc, Carolina Sullivan, Joan Sussman

Alto: Cecelia Allchin, Isabella Apodaca, Leah Rosenman

Tenor: Olivia Anderson, Jason Cloen, Mark Darling, Evan McMahon

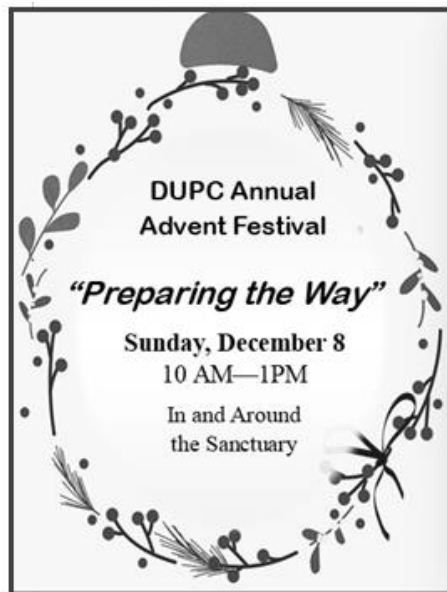
Bass: Rob Brown, John DeHority, Elijah Gebers,

Alan Jones, Stephen Lloyd, Sumner Tessier

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

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Save The Date!



More Details Coming Soon.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

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F C7 F B $\flat$

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes, our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us

F C C7 F

Chris - tian love; the fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear, and of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be

C7 F B $\flat$ F C7 F

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

5 This glorious hope revives
 our courage by the way;
 while each in expectation lives
 and waits to see the day.

6 From sorrow, toil, and pain,
 and sin, we shall be free;
 and perfect love and friendship reign
 through all eternity.

May the God of Hope Go with Us 765

Song of Hope / *Canto de esperanza*



May the God of hope go with us ev - ery day, fill - ing all our
¡Dios de la es - pe - ran - za, da - nos go - zo y paz! Al mun - do en



lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of jus - tice speed us
cri - sis, ha - bla tu ver - dad. Dios de la jus - ti - cia, mán - da -



on our way, bring - ing light and hope to ev - ery land and race.
nos tu luz, luz y es - pe - ran - za en la os - cu - ri - dad.



Pray - ing, let us work for peace; sing - ing, share our joy with all;
O - re - mos por la paz, can - te - mos de tu a - mor.



work - ing for a world that's new, faith - ful when we hear Christ's call.
Lu - che - mos por la paz, fie - les a ti, Se - ñor.

This Argentine folk melody sets Spanish and English words, both created by a PC(USA) missionary with much Latin American experience. The two versions complement each other: the Spanish text offering a prayer to God, and the English one providing inspiration for the singers.

TEXT: Alvin Schutmaat, 1984
MUSIC: Argentine folk melody

ARGENTINA
11.11.11.11 with refrain

This Week at Downtown United Presbyterian

Sunday, November 17

10:00AM Choir Warm-up
10:45AM Nursery
11:00AM Worship -Food and Kinship
11:15AM Sunday School
7:00PM Sophia Circle via Zoom

Tuesday, November 19

10:30AM Bible Study Mtg via Zoom
7:00PM Session Mtg via Zoom

Wednesday, November 20

4:30PM Sunday Forum Mtg via Zoom
7:00PM Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, November 24

9:45AM Sunday Forum- David Lee
10:00AM Choir Warm-up
10:45AM Nursery
11:00AM Worship -Rev. Phil Davis
11:15AM Sunday School
12:00PM Coffee Hour in Sanctuary



From the archives. . .

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STATEMENT OF MISSION AND PURPOSE OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- WHO: We are a new United Presbyterian Church formed by the merger of the congregations of First, Central and Brick Presbyterian Churches working in cooperative programs with St. Luke's Episcopal Church near whom we are located in downtown Rochester, New York. We celebrate a diversity of membership drawn from all areas of metropolitan Monroe County, and have shown an openness to adapt our programs to the needs of our time.
- WHAT: It is our purpose individually and collectively --
- to be faithful witnesses to Jesus Christ
 - to provide a compelling Christian focus in downtown Rochester
 - to develop a spirit of unity in our working and worshipping together
 - to minister to the needs of others wherever they may be found.
- HOW: That we may accomplish these purposes we seek --
- to enable a deepening of faith through providing a variety of worship and educational experiences
 - to form ourselves into a loving, caring community
 - to relate to the real needs of the communities of which we are a part
 - to use creatively the resources with which we are blessed, including the highest possible degree of lay participation.

Welcome Visitors!

Nursery Care for children up to 2nd Grade is available in the Library

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 to the right 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.

Joys and Concerns– If you have a joy or concern that you would like to lift in prayer today, please complete a Prayer Request card (available by the worship bulletins) naming the person(s), situation or event, and any other information that you would like to be shared. The prayer requests will be collected during the hymn following the sermon and provided to the pastor.



DUPC Sunday Forum
~ *November 2024* ~

**“The Intersection of
Religion and Politics”**

November 3

**On the Third Day:
How We Got Here**

Rev. Phil Davis

November 10

**No Sunday Forum
50th Anniversary Luncheon**

November 17

**No Sunday Forum
Food and Kinship Worship**

November 24

**Trying to Make Sense of
Christian Nationalism**

David Lee

Sundays, 9:45 AM ~ The Shaw Room

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