

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Micah 4:1-5 (NRSV)

4 In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills.
2 Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
3 God shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more;
4 but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. **5** For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.

WORSHIP TODAY:

Worship Leaders:

Liturgists: NDPC Children
Head Usher: Charlotte Stone Black
Ushers: Susan Constantine, Corey Dunn
Susan Cornutt, Susan Diffenderfer
Youth Ushers: Katie Condon,
Rowan Dunn, Robie Parlato
Greeter: Katie Harris

Extended Session:

Nursery: Jaime Wormley
2-3 yr olds: Tanya Condon
4-6 yr olds: Mary Tveit,
Jesse Bowen
Floater: Ginny Bowen
Acolytes: Kieva Morrison,
Janie Kate Mosley
Flowers: Ginny Bowen

WELCOME VISITORS!

We're happy and honored that you're here.

You are encouraged to fill in your name and contact information in the Friendship Pad that is passed down the pew during announcements. In the pew racks are brochures to introduce you to the ministries of this church, and in the lobby you will find copies of the Communicator, our newsletter. At the end of the service, the pastors are at the door and would love to greet you. Please come and introduce yourself!

People come from many backgrounds, traditions, and cultures to worship at NDPC. We invite you to use the language, whether for God or persons, that is authentic and inspiring to you.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Magnifying glasses and large print hymnals are available in the lobby.

Hearing assist devices are available for those with difficulty hearing. Please see an usher if you are interested in using one.

Crayons and coloring books are available in the lobby for children (or adults) to use during worship.

If you would like to donate flowers, volunteer to serve as an usher or liturgist, or submit comments or suggestions about worship, please email worship@ndpc.org.

Recent sermons are available for online listening at <http://ndpc.org/worship/sermon-podcasts>.

After worship, please recycle your bulletins in the designated baskets in the Narthex.

CONTACT NDPC:

Main Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9-2; Closed on Fridays.
Office Phone: 404-636-1429; Office Email: meghan@ndpc.org

Pastoral Care:

Rev. Bobbie Wrenn Banks will be covering pastoral care emergencies this week while our Co-pastors, Beth and David, are at Cincinnati Children's Hospital for the care of their daughter. You can reach her at bobbiewrenn@gmail.com or call the church office or emergency line below.

Rev. Mary Anona Stoops is available to visit with senior adults at church or at your home. To schedule an appointment, contact her by phone in the church office or by email: maryanona@ndpc.org

For urgent needs, call the co-pastors' emergency cell phone: 404-981-NDPC (6372).



We welcome all.

North Decatur Presbyterian Church is called by God to be a community of faith and worship, dedicated to Christian education and nurture so that we may go into the world to serve, work for peace and justice and share God's love with all people.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 21, 2018
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00AM

PREPARATION & ADORATION

CHIMES Kieva Morrison & Janie Kate Mosley, *Acolytes*
PRELUDE Wilbur Held
"Simple Gifts"
WELCOME *Please sign & pass the friendship pad from the center aisle.*
INTROIT Bernadette Farrell
"Share the Light"
Share the light of Jesus. Share the light that shows the way.
Share the light of Jesus. Share God's spirit today.
Share the word. Share the love. Share the smile.
NDPC Sunday School Children

*CALL TO WORSHIP -Lucy Scalese, Margaret Waltemath Lewicki

One: When the disciples tried to keep children from Jesus,

All: Jesus said "Let the children come to me!"

One: When the disciples wanted to send hungry people away, saying there were too many to feed,

All: Jesus said we can feed them!

One: When a parent whose child was in terrible trouble came to Jesus,

All: Jesus said he would help.

One: When a woman in poverty gave what she could,

All: Jesus honored her generosity.

One: We rejoice because Jesus welcomed the children, fed hungry people, helped children in trouble, and recognized the gifts of those in poverty. Let us follow Jesus with hope not despair.

**Please rise in body or spirit.*

*HYMN #757

KINGSFOLD

“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

RECONCILIATION

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

-Ezra Morrison

At school, at work, at home, everywhere we often try hard to look like we're perfect, like we're doing it all right. But God knows that's not true—that we make mistakes, get it wrong, say or do something we shouldn't or wish we hadn't. God doesn't want us to pretend to be perfect. Instead, God invites us to confess our sin, trusting Jesus' promise that we are loved and forgiven, and make a new start with God and each other.

PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION

-Mary Louise Cromwell
-Lenore Cochran

One: Dear God, sometimes I make mistakes
Two: And so do I.
One: But I am not a mistake.
Two: Nobody here or out there is a mistake.
One: The Bible says, “All good and perfect gifts come from you.”
Two: We are gifts because we are made in God's image
One: And remade in truth and love as we grow up.
Two: Help us to listen.
One: And to deal with our anger.
Two: And to believe in what we have to say.
One: And to believe in others too.
Two: Help us to trust that Jesus loves all of us.
One: And teach us to love everyone too. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS

In the quiet, release the things that keep you from living God's peace.

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

-Walker Mosley

Listen! I have something to say! Jesus loves you. In Jesus we are forgiven, loved and free. Amen.

*GRATEFUL RESPONSE #591

Caribbean melody

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!”

Sung first by the choir then twice by the congregation.

*PASSING THE PEACE

-Janie Kate Mosley

We share the peace as a visible sign of our reconciliation to each other through Christ. Greet one another with “the peace of Christ be with you” and reply “also with you.”

Children are invited to come forward and find a spot on the worship rug, alone or with a parent.

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #469 *(Unison)*

-Lucy Scalese

**Lord, listen to your children praying.
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying.
Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 4:1-5

One: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

WORD IN WORSHIP

-Rev. David Lewicki

Children up through 1st grade meet their teachers in the Sanctuary lobby to go to Extended Session.

SERMON

-Rev. Elizabeth Waltemath

DEDICATION

*HYMN #487

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

“These Treasured Children”

READING THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO DIED BY GUN VIOLENCE

-Pete Dishman, Elsa Cayce

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

-Pete Dishman, Ellie Fletcher, Kieva Morrison, Martin Cochran

All: Lord, hear your children's prayer.

Our Father [Mother] in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

PRAYER RESPONSE #558

Leon Roberts

“Amen”

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

-Carol Tveit

CALL FOR OFFERING

-Boone Pittman

Change for Change

*Make a habit of putting something in the offering plate each week - a small bill or loose change or a written dedication for service to God. In October our loose change offering will go to **Global Missions**. A little bit of giving by a lot of people: It's worth the effort.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Daniel Burton

“Rainbow of God's Love”

Jesus' heart was always open, like a door without a latch; all who came to him were welcomed, both the broken and the whole. So, like Jesus I'll be gentle, I'll be kind to those who hurt; I'm the mist and he's the sunshine: We're the rainbow of God's love.

In the poor he found great riches, in the blind he saw true sight; with the grieving he knew comfort, with the crippled he could walk. To the very old he reached out, to the very young he called; lost and hopeless, sick and dying—Jesus held them in his arms.

NDPC Children's Choir

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, above ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(Unison)*

-Stella Love

Thank you God for grateful hearts. For giving hands. For loving friends. For many ways to show people we care and that we are all loved. Amen.

*HYMN #764

ARGENTINA

“May the God of Hope Go with Us”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

May the Lord bless you and protect you.
May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you.
May the Lord show you favor and give you peace.
Amen.

CONGREGATION MEETING for the purpose of electing elders for the class of 2021 and youth elders for the class of 2019.

David T. Lewicki, *Co-Pastor*
Elizabeth C. Waltemath, *Co-Pastor*
Mary Anona Stoops, *Pastor for Adult Formation*
Clinton T. Miller, *Director of Music Ministry/Organist*
Meghan Vesel, *Operations Coordinator*
Iyabo Onipede, *Ministry Coordinator*
Alexandra Mauney & Sam Turpen, *Seminary Interns*
Javier Sanchez, *Custodian*