# **DAVIE STREET**



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# The Mission of Davie Street Presbyterian is to Spiritually Invite, Inspire, Teach, and Serve.

# Welcome!

Blessings be upon you in the name of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ! We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and we welcome you into this community of faith. It is our prayer that having heard the Word of God you will go out and share God's love in service to others.

# **SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

**April 28, 2024** 

11:00 A.M.

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Dr. Vanessa Hawkins, Bridge Interim Pastor Carletta Moore, Liturgist Dr. Candace Laughinghouse, Music Director

Our Vision – To be a welcoming, inclusive, and worshiping community that partners with others to serve the needs of all of God's people.

#### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

**Minute for Mission** 

Bianca Howard

Call to Worship

Liturgist

Leader: We gather this day in joy and Christian fellowship,

People: for we are the church of Jesus Christ!

Leader: We pray for the Holy Spirit to be among us,

People: opening our hearts and minds to the worship of God!

Welcoming the Spirit "Worship Christ Our Lord"

Prayer of the Day

Liturgist

\*Opening Hymn "Lift Him Up" (H)420

\*Call to Confession Liturgist

\*Prayer of Confession (in Unison)

Liturgist

Gracious God, our hearts are restless until they find their home in you. Forgive our pursuit of things that separate us from you. We pursue success, realizing it will never be enough. We desire more possessions, knowing they are empty. We turn toward the world and hope we will find peace, knowing the world cannot provide it. Forgive us, we pray, and may our wandering hearts find their rest in you alone. Amen.

#### \*Silent Confession

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

**Rev. Hawkins** 

Hear the good news! In Christ, we are new creations. The old life is gone, thank God! A new life has begun. Know you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

## \*Passing the Peace

Rev. Hawkins

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God.

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Liturgist

**The Scripture Lessons:** 

First Reading

Isaiah 56:1-3

Liturgist

The Word of the Lord Thanks Be To God.

The Gospel Lesson

Acts 8:26-40

**Rev. Hawkins** 

The Good News of the Lord Thanks Be To God.

Musical Selection

"Trust Me"

Sermon Nothing is as Simple as It Seems

Rev. Hawkins

## **Invitation to Discipleship**

Hymn "Breathe on me, breath of God"

The Prayer of Intercession

Rev. Hawkins

And now, church, I invite you to join me in praying the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples saying,

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.

\*Affirmation of Faith – In Unison (adapted from Belonging to God: A First Catechism)

Rev. Hawkins We are the church: the people who believe the good news about Jesus, who are baptized, and who share in the Lord's Supper. Through these means of grace, the Spirit renews us so that we may serve God in love. We believe the good news that gives us comfort that we belong to our faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who died and rose again for our sake, so that nothing will ever separate us from God's love. We know this good news through reading the Bible and hearing it taught and preached. The Holy Spirit inspired those who wrote the Bible and helps us rely on its promises today.

Call to the Offering

Liturgist

The Offering

## **Offertory Prayer**

Liturgist

Gracious God, please accept these gifts and use them for the coming of your kingdom in this time and place. In gratitude for all we have and for your love for us, we pray with thanksgiving. Amen.

## **Offertory Response**

#### SENDING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*Closing Hymn

"Revive us Again"

(H)431

\*Charge and Benediction

Rev. Hawkins

Meditation

(Please sit quietly and meditatively)

**Postlude** 

"Koinonia"

\* Please Stand Bold Print (in Unison) (B) Bulletin Insert

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF April 28, 2024

Please remember our Sick and Shut-in Members and those who have lost loved ones:

#### JOINT WORSHIP AT WEST RALEIGH

We will worship at West Raleigh Presbyterian Church on next Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> for Celebrating the Gifts of Women Sunday. We will not have a service at Davie Street.

## St. Aug. Students

Davie St. provided a bag lunch for students on this Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:00AM. We had volunteers to contribute food/money to purchase food, assemble, and transport 135 lunches to the university this morning.

#### **Mission and Outreach Giving**

DSPC has supported three community events this quarter: 1) A sock give-away at the Alliance Fair at Roberts Park in January 2) Providing sandwiches for a community health fair in April 3) A \$200 donation to TPC, a local therapy group.

#### Mary Gladden Carter Circle III Mother of the Year

"Mama's hands tend you when you are tiny, guide you as you grow, folding in prayer as you find your way, and never let you go."

Jeannie Hund

Mary Gladden Carter Circle III will honor our Mother of the Year on Sunday, May 12th. We extend the opportunity to members of Davie Street to honor the women of their choice. You may purchase an angel for \$3.00 in honor of or in memory of the women you select. Their names will be placed on the angel and displayed in the church. You may purchase as many angels as you choose. We all have or have had women in our lives who have guided and loved us through our journey. Please take this time to honor them.

You may see any member of Circle III to place your order.

Intercessory Prayer meeting will be held on Thursday at 7:15 pm via conference call. The details on how to participate are as follows: Conference Call #: 425-436-6317 Access Code: 442765

#### ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE

The Presbyterian Women of Davie Street are sponsoring our annual Mother's Day Raffle. The drawing for prizes will be held during our Stated Gathering on May 11th. Prizes are:

- 55-inch Smart TV
- Body massage from Massage Envy
- \$100 gift card from Ruth Chris Steakhouse
- Spa Basket containing foot massager, Lavendar bubble bath, champagne, candle, robe, slippers and a blanket.
  - Tickets are \$5.00 each and each Presbyterian Women is requested to sell 10 tickets. More are tickets are easily available.

#### **Capital Campaign Updates**

As of April 1, 2024, our mortgage amount is \$836,208.52. On June 1, 2024, our base interest rate will increase from 3.503% to 6.403%. Our loan payments will be adjusted from \$6,558.62 to \$7,110.97. During this 3<sup>rd</sup> term pledge period, we are aggressively reducing this debt and you can help by participating in any of the following fundraisers.

**Donor Tree:** We submitted our second order of leaves. This time, we sent eleven (11) leaves for inscription. We still have many leaves left for you, your family and friends, and others to purchase. For \$500, we will add donors' names to our *Tree of Life*, located on the south wall of the new fellowship hall foyer.

**Stained-Glass and Room Dedications:** Six new stained-glass windows have been installed with the promise of two more. We await the new name of our choir room and commitment to name the library in our old fellowship hall. There are many opportunities to name other rooms in both the old and new fellowship hall. Join us and encourage your friends and family to join us on August 24, 2024 for **James Stephen, III's Motown Review**. Tickets are \$40 each and are available for the 3 pm or 6 pm show.

**For more information:** Contact any member of the Capital Campaign Committee.