

# 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**

**January 28, 2024**

**11:00 A.M.**

## **Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**Rev. Dr. Vanessa Hawkins, Bridge Interim Pastor**

**Elder Chie Handy, 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**

**Call to Worship**

**Liturgist**

Leader: Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.

**People: Great are your works, O Lord,  
pondered by all who delight in them.**

Leader: Majesty and splendor mark your deeds,  
and your righteousness endures forever.

**All: You cause your wonders to be remembered;  
you are gracious and full of compassion.**

**Welcoming the Spirit**

**Prayer of the Day**

**Liturgist**

God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise.

Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and in truth;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## **\*Opening Hymn**

**Hymn #**

### **\*Call to Confession**

**Liturgist**

Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way. But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully to Christ's invitation. Let us seek God's forgiveness so that we may know more deeply the joy God intends.

### **\*Prayer of Confession (in Unison)**

**Liturgist**

**Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would have us be. Amen.**

### **\*Silent Confession**

### **\*Assurance of Pardon (In Unison)**

**Rev. Hawkins**

Relentlessly God seeks us out with abundant grace and boundless mercy. This is good news!

### **\*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**

Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

## **The Scripture Lessons:**

**First Reading**                      **Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

**Liturgist**

*The Word of the Lord*

*Thanks Be to God.*

**The Gospel Lesson**

**Mark 1:21-28**

**Rev. Hawkins**

*The Good News of the Lord*

*Thanks Be to God.*

**Musical Selection**

**Hymn #**

**Sermon**

**The Evil In Our Midst**

**Rev. Hawkins**

**Invitation to Discipleship**

**Rev. Hawkins**

**Hymn**

**The Prayer of Intercession**

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** (from Colossians 1:15-20)

**Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Jesus Christ is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things,**

**whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.**

**Call to the Offering**

**Liturgist**

With gratitude for God's faithfulness and with thanksgiving for all that we have received, let us bring our gifts to God.

**The Offering**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Liturgist**

O God, with faith and hope, we offer these gifts. Use them, even as you use us, to accomplish your purposes in Jesus Christ, the Head of the church and the Lord of our lives. Amen.

**Offertory Response**

**SENDING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*Closing Hymn**

**Hymn #**

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Rev. Hawkins**

**Meditation**

*(Please sit quietly and meditatively)*

**Postlude**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF**

**January 28, 2024**

**President of the January Birthday Club**

**Mrs. Ardis Bridges**

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

We will have our Winter Congregational Meeting in person today January 28th, immediately following the worship service. Only those In-Person can vote. A link has been provided for viewing only.

The Davie Street Presbyterian Men's Council (DSPMC) will meet on Saturday, February 3, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. for our Breakfast and Bible study. All men of the church are invited to come.

The Men's Council will also host our 2024 African American History Worship Service on February 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. Our Keynote speaker will be Dr. Darin J. Waters. We would like to encourage everyone to wear African attire for this service. The music will be provided by the Davie Street Male Chorus.

**Presbyterian Women  
Presbytery of New Hope  
Scholarship Application**

The Presbyterian Women Scholarship Application is now available. You may find the application on the information table in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage all college and college bound students to apply. All information requested on the form is required, plus a short essay entitled "My Plans for the Future, Shaped by my Faith, a copy of the official secondary school transcript, and three letters of recommendation from your pastor, the Moderator of your congregation's Presbyterian Women and school guidance counselor or teacher/advisor. Completed application packets must be received by March 1, 2024.

**Reminder to members:** Please contact the office if you want in-home communion in February..

For a few Saturdays this winter/spring, we will need volunteers (16 years old and over please) to help build a home for a deserving family as part of a coalition of downtown churches in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity of Wake County as part of the "Beloved Build Project". We will once again be working in the Old Poole Place community where many Habitat for Humanity houses have already been turned into homes. So mark your calendars as the dates will be February 10, March 9, and April 13. Go to the Volunteer

Hub: <http://vhub.at/BelovedBuild> and sign-up for any or all of those dates. Go to the Volunteer Hub: <http://vhub.at/BelovedBuild> and sign-up for either the 8:15am – 3:30pm Morning shift or the 10:45am – 2:30pm Afternoon shift.

We also need volunteers to organize and serve lunches for those that are doing the building. If you are interested, please text your name, email address and mobile phone number to Mr. Michael Pollard (919-264-7225) and Mr. Terrance Woodyard (919-271-2605) and one of them will contact you and explain how to get involved.

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

Our 2024 per capita remains at \$30. Please make your payment today.

### **Please continue collecting your Cents-a-bility Coins!**

#### **Capital Campaign Updates**

As of January 1, 2024 our mortgage balance is \$848,489.51. During the 3rd year 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 first order of ten (10) leaves that have been sold. **The first ten leaves ordered have been engraved and are now installed on the tree!** We still have many leaves left for you and friends to purchase. For \$500, we will add donors' names to our *Tree of Life*, located on the south wall of the new Fellowship Hall entryway.

**Stained-Glass and Room Dedications:** We submitted orders for five new stained-glass dedications. There are still eleven windows left. Prices vary based on the window location. Opportunities are open to name rooms in both the New and Old Fellowship Halls. We have members who have expressed interest in dedicating some of the rooms. For prices, ask any member of the Capital Campaign Committee.

**For more information:** For specific rooms and windows and/or an opportunity to place your name on the *Tree of Life*, information sheets are on the table outside the Fellowship Hall or see a member of the Capital Campaign Committee.

## **EXTRA SECURITY**

When you park at the church – or in any parking spaces visible to the public - **ALWAYS** lock your car doors and trunk. Do not leave any valuable items on your car seats or floor. If you must have them in the car, store them in the trunk of your car.

If you are experiencing an emergency, please contact the Church office. The office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00- 4:00 p.m. Please call before coming.