Order of Worship Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

**September 10, 2023** 

10:15am

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### Prelude

• Call to Worship (Psalm 104:31-34)

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke. I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

- Invocation
- Sounds of Faith: #223 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
- Prayer of Confession

Let us bring our heavy burdens to the Lord,

confessing our sins and opening our hearts to God's grace.

You are the God of all people, O Lord, the creator of all things good.

Forgive us when we fail to see the good.

Forgive us when we are unable to believe that we cannot be separated from your love.

Forgive us when we fail to look toward the eternal home that you promise us.

Through Christ our redeemer free us to shift our eyes, and our hearts, toward you.

Sing out the message clear and plain: Christ receives sinful people!

Let us have hope, for in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

• Congregational Response: #583 - Glory to God

Children's Message: Colette Dorman

#### **Prayer of Illumination**

Scripture Reading: Psalm 119: 33-40, Liturgist ~ Melanie Caskey

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

Turn my heart to your decrees and not to selfish gain.

Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.

Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.

Turn away the disgrace that I dread, for your ordinances are good. See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life. The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God.** 

#### **Special Music**

Scripture Reading: Galatians 2:15-21

We ourselves are Jews by birth and not gentile sinners, yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God, for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing. The Word of the Lord; thanks be to God.

**Meditation:** Pastor Jerry Dorman

• Sounds of Hope: #840 - When Peace Like a River

• Affirmation of Faith: (With excerpts from the Prayer of St. Patrick)

I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me, Christ in the eye that sees me, Christ in the ear that hears me.

#### **Giving and Offertory**

#### Doxology

Pastoral Prayers, the Lord's Prayer:

... Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

- Sounds of Love: #774 There Is Now a New Creation
- Benediction

#### Postlude

\*\*The (●) dot in the order of worship invites you to stand as you are able. Text in **bold** indicates unison reading.



September 12 – Dot New Circle annual luncheon at McNamarra's (11am)
September 13, 20, 27 – Book Group (1:30pm), Logos (5:30pm) – Kickoff with Kickball
Night, Agape (6pm) Sign up for the meal at the back of the sanctuary or contact the church
office by Noon September 11 (Taziki's); Program – "Show & Tell", Choir Practice (7:30pm)
September 18 – Bluegrass Slow Jam 7pm (community event – all are welcome)
September 28 – Men's Fellowship Dinner, 5:30pm (location TBD)

Pastoral Care Team: Chairs - Tina O'Connor and Joy Roark; Members - Velma Bartley, Janet Benge, Melanie Caskey, Malee Cherry, Rose Christian, Ann Cox, Charlene Dodson, Diane Ingram, Grace Lewis, Ann Marie McFarland, Betty Polk, Jim & Ruth White, Kim

Yearwood, Jill York

#### Three Ways to Give at DPC

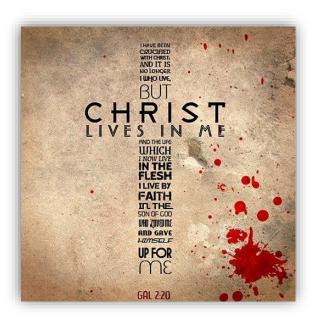
- 1. Plate giving during the offertory portion of our service
- 2. Online at donelsonpres.org Click the "Giving" tab on the homepage
- 3. Text DPCGIVE and any amount to 73256

## \*\*The flowers in the sanctuary today are donated by Tommie Swift in memory of Willie, Martha & Rae Holdsworth.

Thank you to Pastor Jerry Dorman, our guest minister today. Jerry has over 38 years of ministry experience with 25 of those years being in Michigan as a Worship and Counseling Pastor. Jerry is husband to DPC's administrator and both he and Colette are thankful for their new friends here at Donelson Presbyterian Church.

## **Donelson Presbyterian Church**

### Sharing the Love of Christ



We warmly welcome all who have come to worship with us today. If you are a guest at Donelson Presbyterian Church, we encourage you to fill out a yellow visitor card which you will find in the pew.

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