



Service of Worship

June 26, 2022 || Virtual Campus

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Prayer of Preparation

You, Great God,

*are our heart's truest desire, who chooses grace over grudges,
who provides rather than withholds,
who creates community with us
rather than standing isolated from us.
In these moments of worship, lead us closer to you, O God,
and the kingdom you invite us to share. Amen.*

Thom M. Shuman (*adapted*)

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: *Friends of God, trust this:
God loved the world,
God loves the world,
we are the beloved!*

People: **May the truth of this great love story
shine through our worship today,
and renew our sense of calling.**

Leader: *So come, with your tiredness and your frustrations;
come with your discouragements and your insecurities;
come with your doubts, and your fears, and your longings;
come, to discover yet again how Jesus reveals God's love and mercy.*

People: **We come, in response to God's love,
akin to each other and the world around us,
to listen for God's Word to us, to offer our prayers,
and to renew our calling.**

Leader: *Let us worship God!*

Hymn #619

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

Lauda Anima

1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; glad of heart your
 2 Praise God for the grace and fa - vor shown our fore-bears
 3 Like a lov - ing par - ent car - ing, God knows well our
 4 An - gels, teach us ad - o - ra - tion; you be - hold God

car - ols raise; ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
 in dis - tress; God is still the same for - ev - er,
 fee - ble frame, glad - ly all our bur - dens bear - ing,
 face to face. Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion,

who, like me, should sing God's praise? Al - le - lu - ia!
 slow to chide, and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia!
 still to count - less years the same. Al - le - lu - ia!
 dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the Mak - er all your days!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing our Mak - er's faith - ful - ness!
 Al - le - lu - ia! All with - in me, praise God's name!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!

Invitation to Confess

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, hear our prayer:

For the mending of our hearts,
torn apart by our unkindness;
for the healing of our souls,
wasting away from the despair around us;
for the forgiveness we seek
for the sin we have allowed to persist;
for the reconciliation of the world,
whose division condemns us.

We pray for the courage to admit our fault,
the strength to amend our actions,
and the hope that your grace awaits us.

Through Christ we pray.

Amen.

- silent prayers of confession -

**Assurance of Grace*

Leader: Hear the oh-so-good-news God declares,
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine" (Isaiah 43:1).

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed
to be who and whose we truly are.

Response to Grace

Glory to God (Vasile)

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a time signature of 12/8. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The first four staves contain the main text, and the fifth staff contains a concluding phrase. The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests and a final double bar line.

Glo - ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the begin - ning, is now and ever shall be. A - men.

GTG: #582

Passing of the Peace

Leader: You have heard the great news about being forgiven.
so now show what that means to you.
Share the peace that Christ gives you.
Pass the peace to those surrounding you.
Because immeasurable love is not something we keep to ourselves.
May the peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you.

Livestream Check-In

- All worshipping virtually are invited to greet and share peace with others in the "comments" -

Children in the sanctuary are invited to come forward.

Children's Message

Anthem

Cry No More

Dan Forrest

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

"From Lament to Hope: Entering into the Grief"
(Scriptures from the Book of Lamentations will be woven throughout today's sermon)

Rev. Gaut

Hymn #177

You Are Mine
(verses 1 and 2- soloist, verses 3 and 4, all)

You Are Mine

A D A E

1 "I will come to you in the si - lence;
 2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less;
 3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
 (4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom; I

F#m D Esus E

I will lift you from all your fear.
 I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
 am the peace the world can - not give.

A D C# F#m

You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice. Be
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.
 All the blind will see; the lame will all run free, and
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand

Bm A D Esus E Esus E

still and know I am here. (to stanza 2)
 Come and rest in me. (to Refrain)
 all will know my name. (to Refrain)
 up, now walk and live! (to Refrain)

Refrain All A D E F#m7 D

Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by

Esus E A D E F#m F#m7

name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I

D Esus E A E D E A E D E

love you and you are mine." 4 "I

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

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.

Gifts of Commitment

Four Ways to Give:

- Online – [Click Here](#)
- Text "CheerfulGiver" (one word; case sensitive) to 73256
- Mail a check to TPC 400 W. Chesapeake Ave, Towson, MD 21204
- Scan this QR Code:



Hymn #541

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

Randolph

Unison *Harmony*

1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; lov - ing coun - sels
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; un - seen wings pro -
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's per - ils
 4 God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, with a shep - herd's care en - fold you:
 tect - ing hide you, dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you:
 thick con - found you, put un - fail - ing arms a - round you:
 float - ing o'er you; smite death's threat - ening wave be - fore you:

Unison

God be with you till we meet a - gain.

Benediction

Postlude

Towson Presbyterian Church

Inclusive ~ Curious ~ Compassionate ~ Courageous

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Ministers	All the members of the church
Pastor, Senior	Rev. Rob Carter
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Our Mission:

Towson Presbyterian Church is an inclusive community of faith growing as disciples of Christ

TPC is a PC(USA) *Earth Care Congregation*, and a member of the *Covenant Network* (striving for a fully inclusive church).

New Here? Welcome—*just as you are.*

We're so glad you are "here"! We hope you find meaning in our worship and connection within our (remote) community. While we are presently livestreaming our main 10 a.m. worship service, we will resume in-person worship as soon as we believe it is safe and responsible to do so. Our 10 a.m. service will continue to be livestreamed even when in-person, indoor worship resumes, as we understand the growing importance of offering online worship.

To learn more about our church, we hope you'll explore our ministries at www.towsonpres.org. You are more than welcome to register for any church event or group, whether it gathers in-person or remotely. Please also join our online community at Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, @TowsonPres.

If you have any questions or concerns, or would like additional information, please contact the church office at tpc@towsonpres.org or 410-823-6500. Thank you, again, for the blessing of your presence.

Please pray for:

Bob Adams, Mike Just, John Lewis, Julie Mertus, Cindy and Keith Moomaw, Jack Phillips, Roger and Betty Roth.

TPC News, Mission, and Ministry Updates

We are delighted to welcome TPC Parish Associate **Rev. Mary Gaut** to the pulpit for the next two weeks. The theme of these services, “From Lament to Hope,” is the theme of the 225th General Assembly of the PCUSA, which is meeting June 18 – July 9 in Louisville and via Zoom in the first ever hybrid assembly. Please hold the work of our denomination in your prayers.

We also welcome guest pianist **Andrew Stewart**. Andrew is on the music faculty at Goucher College, is an experienced liturgical musician, and is highly regarded among conductors and singers as a collaborative pianist.

Assisting in Worship || Steve Swift, Matt Hemm, Julie Kreif, Karen Drake, Cass Mairs, Kristie Burkett, Jennifer Bolster.

Children’s Ministry || This summer we are thrilled to have babies and children join us in the sanctuary during worship; your presence is a *gift*. For families looking for something else for their children, we also offer:

- *Noah’s Nursery*: available every Sunday starting at 9:30 a.m. (for children 4 and under).
- *Children’s Chapel*: on the 1st Sunday of each month children in grades pre-K through 5th grade are welcome to worship together in the chapel following the Children’s Message. We have extended the age range for the summer months.

The Wired Word || **TODAY 11:30 a.m.-12:30p.m.** || The Wired Word is a curriculum that takes a current event and relates it to Scripture. Zoom link in Friday email and the Virtual Service’s Facebook comments section.

Handbell Concert in TPC’s Sanctuary || **Thursday June 30th 7-8:00 p.m.** || Walsh Memorial Bell Choir, a High School Bell Choir from Morris Plains, NJ, will bless us with their presence and musical gifts. Please join us and spread the word!

First Read || **Sundays, 7/10 -7/31 from 9:35 – 9:50 a.m.** || *Come a few minutes early to worship* during the month of July and begin exploring that day’s Scripture. Feel free to share your thoughts or simply listen.

***Love Wins for Teens* Discussion Group** || Teens are invited to join Joel and Jenness as they read Rob Bell’s important book. Please contact Joel at jstrom@towsonpres.org to receive your free copy.

Sanctuary Flowers || To honor or remember a loved one in a special way, consider donating the flowers for the Sunday worship service. You can select a date that has some meaning to you or just donate for a week because you enjoy seeing flowers in the Chancel (virtually or in person). Please contact Mimi in the office 410.823.6500; churchoffice@towsonpres.org if interested. There is also a sign up calendar in the Chapel hallway where you can reserve a week.

Towson Presbyterian Preschool Seeks New Director || As TPP’s beloved director, Leslie Foretich, retires at the end of the school year, TPP’s board is searching for a new director. If you know of anyone qualified and interested, please refer them to [this job description](#) (or search “Towson Presbyterian Preschool” on Indeed.com).

Regathering Update || Due to current trends, we invite you to mask by choice throughout the building; individuals may decide whether or not to don a mask.

TPC This Week

Sunday, June 26

10:00 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary and Virtual
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour - Thompson Hall
11:30 a.m. The Wired Word -Zoom
11:30 a.m. HS Mission Trip Meeting for Parents and Youth -Library

Tuesday, June 28

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting – Library
7:00 p.m. The Bible Speaks to You Book Study

Thursday, June 30

7:00 p.m. Walsh Memorial Bell Choir - Sanctuary

Sunday, July 3

10:00 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary and Virtual
10:15 a.m. Children’s Chapel (pre-K through 5th grade)
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour -Thompson Hall

Sunday, July 3- July 8 High School Mission Trip to Kentucky

Monday, July 4 Independence Day – TPC office closed