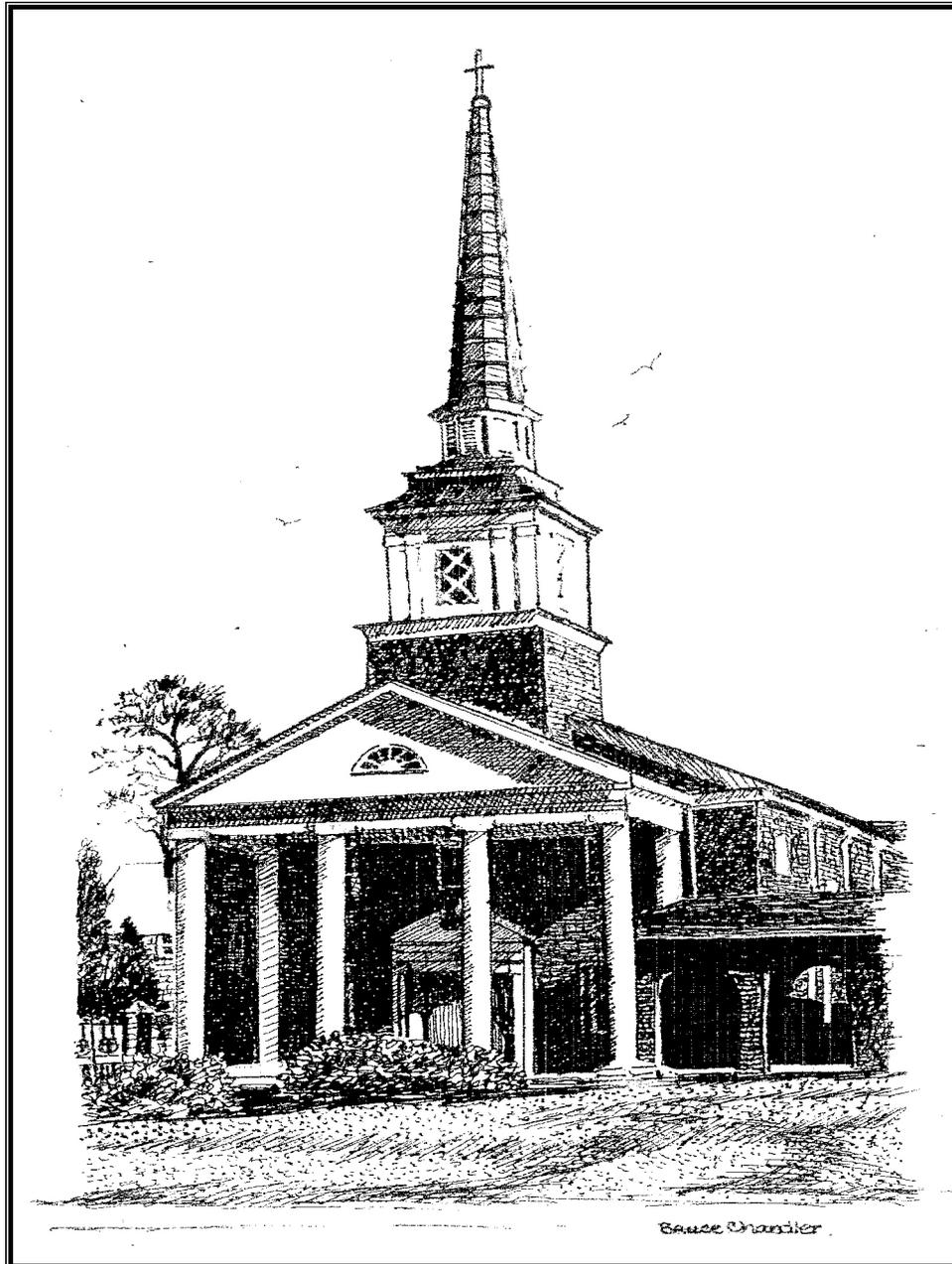


Georgetown Presbyterian Church

Established 1897



A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE

January 3, 2021 10:00 am

558 Black River Road, Georgetown, SC 29440

843-546-5826 • www.georgetownpresbyterian.org

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Second Sunday of Christmas

January 3, 2021



GATHERING BEFORE GOD

THE GATHERING

Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

Johann Schop

Harm. Johann Sebastian Bach

*"...He comes, a Child from realms on high;
He comes the heav'ns adoring.
He comes to earth to live and die,
A broken race restoring.
Although the King of kings is He,
He comes in deep humility;
His people to deliver and reign in us forever."*

PRELUDE

Lord Jesus Christ, My Life, My Light

Johann Sebastian Bach

FUGHETTA and CHORALE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 147)*

Leader: How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

People: The Lord builds up Jerusalem and gathers the outcasts of Israel.

Leader: The Lord heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

People: The Lord determines the number of stars and gives to all of them their names.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Love Has Come

BRING A TORCH

**Love has come: a light in the darkness!
Love shines forth in the Bethlehem skies.
See, all heaven has come to proclaim it;
Hear how their song of joy arises:
Love! Love! Born unto you, a Savior!
Love! Love! Glory to God on high.
Love is born! Come, share in the wonder.
Love is God now asleep in the hay.
See the glow in the eyes of his mother;**

**What is the name her heart is saying?
Love! Love! Love is the name she whispers.
Love! Love! Jesus, Emmanuel.
Love has come and never will leave us!
Love is life everlasting and free.
Love is Jesus within and among us.
Love is the peace our hearts are seeking.
Love! Love! Love is the gift of Christmas.
Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Loving God, you promise that all who faithfully confess to you will be forgiven.
Trusting your mercy, we confess the harm we have done and the good we have
failed to do. Forgive us we pray, guide us in your truth and teach us your way that
we may love and serve you. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

***Silent Confession**

***Declaration of Forgiveness**

*Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Believe the good news of the gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.*

***(Sung Response)**

GREEN

**There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,
And leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Marcy Carl

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 31:7-14

For thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They

shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

MUSIC MEDITATION

The Wexford Carol

Traditional Irish Carol

Flute and Piano

*“Good Christians all, this Christmastide,
Consider well and bear in mind
What our God for us has done
In sending His Beloved Son....”*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God’s own people, to the praise of his glory.

SERMON

“TELOS”

Dr. Corey Ingold

PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(adapted from the Heidelberg Catechism)*

Christ has commanded us and all believers to eat of this broken bread and to drink this cup in remembrance of Him. He has thereby promised that His body was offered and broken on the cross for us, and His blood was shed for us as surely as we see with our eyes that the bread of the Lord is broken for us, and that the cup is shared with us. The Lord's Supper testifies that we have complete forgiveness of our sins on the cross once for all, and that through the Holy Spirit, we are incorporated into Christ, who is now in heaven at the right hand of the Father and is there to be worshipped. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

SENDING OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

Shall We Gather at the River

HANSON PLACE

**Shall we gather at the river; where bright angel feet have trod,
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?**

***Refrain:* Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.**

**On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,
We will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. *(Refrain)***

**Ere we reach the shining river; lay we every burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. *(Refrain)***

**Soon we'll reach the shining river; soon our pilgrimage will cease;
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. *(Refrain)***

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

HANOVER

New Version of the Psalms, 1708

*"...Then let us adore and give him his right:
All glory and power, all wisdom and might,
All honor and blessing, with angels above,
And thanks never ceasing, and infinite love!"*

THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU AMONG US!

You are invited to unite with us as a member of Georgetown Presbyterian Church. New members are received either as **Full Members**, the traditional, full-time membership, or **Affiliate Members**, for those who are seasonal or temporary residents. Get more detailed information from our minister, from the elder of the day, or from written materials found on our Welcome Center table in the narthex.

The Vision of Georgetown Presbyterian Church

Georgetown Presbyterian Church is a community of faith bound and driven by the love of Jesus Christ, called to nurture discipleship and share Christ's love with all people.

The Mission of Georgetown Presbyterian Church

In order to fulfill our vision faithfully, we must do the following:

- *Foster a vibrant community of faith that shares God's grace with all generations through uplifting worship and music, meaningful fellowship, and mutual care for one another;*
- *Challenge each other to grow in commitment and involvement by providing wide-ranging opportunities for spiritual growth;*
- *Reach out beyond our doors by serving and providing resources to all God's people in an ever-changing world.*

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Dr. Corey Ingold

Marcy Carl, Director of Children and Adult Faith Formation

Mary Lu Norris, Director of Music Ministry

Molly McNeill Rogers, *Flute*

Ushers: Jeff Pelham, Harrison Pelham

Audio: Bruce Carl, Kalib Moyer, Ben Power

Remember in Your Prayers

“Pray in the Spirit, on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.”

Ephesians 6:18

Members Needing Prayer

(Italics indicate new to the list this week)

Gen Baumeister, *Maria Davis*, Cal Dawson, Pam and Sam DeMent and Family, Gertie Dorn, Betty English, Mary Lou Gilleland, Virge Harrington, Frankie Hills, Family of Betty Kilgore, Nicole and Jim Lee and Family, Ginger Matthews, Susan Matthews, John Murphy, Martha Jo Poston, Marion and Mark Ricketts, Bailee Sanderson, Mildred Schofield, Earl Small, Kaye and Fred Thomas, Janette Weaver, Jamie, Cindy Williams and Family, Carey Williamson, Hank and Ramona Young, Lewis Young

Friends/Families

Amy Ard, Corteney Boyle, Family of Ronald Cavalieri, Jurnee Cooper, Lori Young Flaherty, Sherry Gibson, Eve Gvozdaz, Marsha Hanes, Family of Richard Jacobs, James McCormick, Jimmy Mundy, family of Jerome Perry, Bill Shehan and Family, Emeline Shoemaker, Family of Janie Koger Thomas, Venters and Martin Families, Family of Frank Williams, Denise Yonkers

Military Personnel

Sammy Boone, Ben Boyle, Kenny Brown, Nathan Erickson, Ernest Fajardo, Cody Geary, Matthew Godfrey, William Howard, Brock Hursey, Eddie Meador, Will Piepenbring, Will Port, Jay Puckett, Will Puckett, Tristan Porcher, Chuck Power, Faith Power, Josh Power, Elizabeth Rooney, Shaun Rooney, Dylan Stegall, Mark Stephens, Brian Taylor, Bradley Walker, John Walker, Tom Walker, Daniel Yarger

Our Missionaries in Worldwide Ministries

Mark and Miriam Adams in Mexico, Jonathan & Emily Seitz in Taiwan, Peter Lee in North Africa, Larry & Inge Sthreshley in D.R. Of Congo, Cody Watson in India, Dalit/Untouchables Ministry in India

Sunday, December 27, 2020

Tithes and Offerings this week	<u>\$6,014</u>
Tithes and Offerings this year through Sunday, December 27, 2020	\$755,741
Budgeted Tithes and Offerings this Year to Date	<u>\$859,500</u>
Variance from Budget	<u>(\$103,759)</u>
Pledge Letters Mailed	205
Pledges returned to Date	105

TAX PLANNING NOTE: Due to expected increases in Capital Gains Taxes in 2021, coupled with recent Stock Market activity, now is a good time to review your portfolio and consider donating appreciated stocks or securities to GPC prior to yearend. Just let your advisor/broker know what you wish to gift to GPC. Let them know that the church's account is held at Wells Fargo Advisors (DTC #141) in the name of Georgetown Presbyterian Church. You may call or have your broker call John Stalvey at 843-235-4448 for the account number. Sign and return the form they will prepare for you, and your gift will be processed. Please let our business office know if you have any special instructions for how we use your gift. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

The Week of January 3, 2021

Sunday 10:00 am	January 3 Worship/Communion
Monday	January 4 <i>Office Closed</i>
Tuesday	January 5
Wednesday 8:00 am	January 6 – Epiphany of the Lord Men's Breakfast and Bible Study
Thursday	January 7
Friday	January 8 <i>Office Closed</i>
Saturday	January 9 <i>Office Closed</i>
Sunday 10:00 am	January 10 Worship

OUT OF CONSIDERATION FOR OTHERS, please keep your mask **ON** during the worship service. We thank you for your cooperation.

OFFICE HOURS are Monday through Thursday,
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM.

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, please call the church office (843) 546 - 5826, ext. 110, or Corey Ingold, (770) 490 - 6831.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Lucy and Herbie McClary to the Glory of God and in loving honor of their children and grandchildren.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2021 ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CONNECTOR ON THE TABLE. If you would like offering envelopes, please contact the church office, 843-546-5826.

MEN'S BREAKFAST and BIBLE STUDY resumes Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Hope to see you there.

IN OBSERVANCE OF NEW YEAR'S DAY, the office is closed Monday, January 4.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will be presenting our Honorary Life Membership, on *Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday*, March 7, during worship. We are accepting names for consideration, in addition, to our current list. Please put in written form, in the PW mailbox, including all pertinent information, by the end of January.

TAX PLANNING NOTE: Due to expected increases in Capital Gains Taxes in 2021, coupled with recent Stock Market activity, now is a good time to review your portfolio and consider donating appreciated stocks or securities to GPC prior to yearend. Just let your advisor/broker know what you wish to gift to GPC. Let them know that the church's account is held at Wells Fargo Advisors (DTC #141) in the name of Georgetown Presbyterian Church. You may call or have your broker call John Stalvey at 843-235-4448 for the account number. Sign and return the form they will prepare for you, and your gift will be processed. Please let our business office know if you have any special instructions for how we use your gift. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.