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**GEORGETOWN**  
**PRESBYTERIAN**  
— CHURCH —

*Sunday, April 21, 2024, 11 a.m.*

Third Sunday after Easter

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PRELUDE                      Andante on a Ground                      Herbert Murrill (1909-1952)

WELCOME                      Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
   People: **And also with you.**

MINUTE *for* LEGACY SUNDAY                      Elder Karl Mattison

INTROIT                      Day By Day                      Harold Friedell (1905-1958)

CALL *to* WORSHIP  
*written by Rev. Kwame Pitts*

Leader: Come, worship the God of all Creation.  
People: We gather to praise the Creator, the continuous source of all living things.  
Leader: Come, worship our God who breathes life into being.  
People: We praise the Creator who fashions the forests, whose trees clean the air of this world.  
Leader: Come, worship our God who forms life out of soil.  
People: We praise the Creator whose land brings nourishment.  
Leader: Come, and worship our God who receives our lament in the wilderness.  
People: We praise the Creator whose Son brings healing to all Creation.  
Leader: Come, and worship our God who sends waters flowing with life.  
People: We praise the Creator whose baptism unites us to be one in the Body of Christ with all Creation.

◆ *You are invited to stand*

*As a courtesy to others, please turn off your cell phone and refrain from flash photography during the service.*

◆ HYMN 14 For the Beauty of the Earth Dix

PRAYER of  
CONFESSION

Leader: Let us pray:

**People:** Holy God, the earth, and all that is within it, is yours. Every creature great and small you made and cherish. We confess that too often we have exploited rather than loved your earth. We confess our lack of regard for the air and sea, the dirt beneath our feet and the living beings dependent upon an unpolluted world. Forgive us. Enable us to look afresh with wonder at your good and wondrous creation. May the beauty of your earth compel us to act in ways that preserve, protect and sustain your creation so that every living being may flourish now and for generations yet to come.

ASSURANCE of  
PARDON

Leader: Friends believe the good news.

**People:** In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen!

◆ GLORIA PATRI  
*Glory to God, #581*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

TIME with CHILDREN

Rev. Meghan Brown

◆ HYMN 850

In a Deep, Unbounded Darkness

*Divinum Mysterium*

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

Deacon Katie Strohm

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 65:17-25

pg. 772

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

Surely the Lord Is In This Place

Norman Coke-Jephcott  
(1893-1962)

SECOND LESSON

Mark 6:24-34

pg. 41

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## ◆ HYMN 22

God of the Sparrow

*Roeder*◆ DECLARATION of  
FAITH*from the New Zealand  
Prayer Book*

You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God. You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God. You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death. You are our God. We worship you.

PRAYERS of the  
PEOPLE  
and 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.

OFFERING and  
OFFERTORY*Passing of the Fellowship Books*

Gloria in Excelsis Deo

Franz Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

## ◆ DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

## ◆ HYMN 80

You Shall Go Out with Joy

*Trees of the Field*

## ◆ BENEDICTION

## RESPONSE

Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace

Peter Mathews (b. 1944)

## POSTLUDE

Carillon

Herbert Murrill (1909-1952)

# *About Today's Service*

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**About Today's Music:** This morning's choral anthem "Surely the Lord is In This Place" was composed by Norman Coke-Jephcott, an English composer and organist who lived and worked both in his native England and in the United States, where he served several churches in New York in the first decades of the 20th century. He finished his career as organist of St John the Divine in NYC where he served from 1932 to 1953.

**Flowers:** The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Jim Reese in memory of his father, James P. Reese

**Ushers:** Gerardo Martinez (Captain), Hery Adrianasy, Gillian Auger, Jack DiMatteo, Mary Margaret Hart, Shelley Jennings, Casey Nolan, Priscila Rodriguez, and Laura Welch

**Punch Bunch:** Please join us in the Georgetown Room following worship Punch Bunch hosted by the Hospitality Committee

**Children's Worship Leaders:** Claire Gillum, Jessie Sterchi, Jaime Hart, and Keshia Engwenyi

**Nursery Caregivers:** Gamage Perera, Swarna Nawarantha, and Udeni Passaramudalige

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# Weekly Calendar

*Sunday, April 21*

9:45am Nursery, Adult Ed  
10:00am Sunday School  
10:45am Singing with Ms. Regina  
11:00am Worship\*\*  
12:00pm Punch Bunch  
5:00pm Yoga\*

*Tuesday, April 23*

11:00am GPC Staff Meeting

*Saturday, April 27*

4:00pm Georgetown Saturday Supper

*Sunday, April 28*

9:45am Nursery, Adult Ed  
10:00am Sunday School  
10:45am Singing with Ms. Regina  
11:00am Worship\*\*  
12:00pm Punch Bunch  
5:00pm Yoga\*

*\*Event will be conducted virtually.*

*\*\*Both virtual and in-person options will be available.*

## Announcements

### GPC Intergenerational Men's Ministry

Are you interested in joining with men of all ages in study, mission and fellowship? Upcoming events include, serving Saturday Supper together on Saturday, April 27th and a dinner and discussion on Tuesday evening, May 28th. Please reach out to Jay Grauberger or Warner Lamar for more information.

### Women's Small Groups

Are you interested in joining an intergenerational women's small group focused on study, fellowship, and prayer this spring? If so, please reach out to Pastor Meghan or Deacon Piper Akol for more information.

### Youth Sunday

All are welcome to join us for Youth Sunday on Sunday, May 5th during 11 am worship, as we explore how God shows up in all kinds of noises: music and song, the boisterousness of children, even the sounds of creation! All youth grades 6-12 are invited to participate in leading worship. Please reach out to Pastor Meghan or youth leaders Trey, Mizna, or Lilly to find out more.

### Next Week in Adult Education

#### Estate Planning Breakfast - April 28, 9:30am

On April 28th, we'll host an estate planning breakfast specifically for young adults, parents of young children, and anyone who has questions about setting up a will. Come join us at 9:30 a.m. in the Georgetown Room. Estate planning attorney Leslie Bradenham will lead an informative discussion of how estate planning works and how you can care for your family and the causes you care about beyond your lifetime. Breakfast and childcare will be provided. RSVP to [info@gtownpres.org](mailto:info@gtownpres.org) and see you there!

## Worship

[gtownpres.org/worship](http://gtownpres.org/worship)

Welcome to Georgetown Presbyterian Church, where people have gathered to worship for over 240 years. We worship each Sunday at 11:00am.

### Sabbatical Preachers

April 28 - Rev. Jessica Tate

May 5 - Youth Sunday

## Give

[gtownpres.org/give](http://gtownpres.org/give)

Your gifts enable the mission and ministry of this church. To manage a current pledge or make a one-time gift, visit [gtownpres.org/give](http://gtownpres.org/give) or scan the QR code below.

To give of your time and talents, visit

[gtownpres.org/timeandtalents](http://gtownpres.org/timeandtalents).



## Serve

[gtownpres.org/serve](http://gtownpres.org/serve)

### Sign Up to Be a Greeter

You may have noticed the smiling faces of GPC's greeters, volunteers who welcome members and visitors each Sunday with a friendly word and a warm handshake (or elbow bump!). This is a great way to meet people in the congregation and help bring warmth and community to our congregation. To volunteer for this fun and important role, visit [gtownpres.org/connect](http://gtownpres.org/connect).

### Georgetown Saturday Suppers

The last Saturday of every month, GPC members meet at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church to serve a hot dinner to 45-60 neighbors who are hungry. We need 10-12 volunteers every last Saturday of the month. Email [info@gtownpres.org](mailto:info@gtownpres.org) if you would like to get involved. To support, visit [gtownpres.org/give](http://gtownpres.org/give).

## Learn

[gtownpres.org/learn](http://gtownpres.org/learn)

### Children's Programming on Sunday Morning Education Hour 10:00 - 11:00 am

*Sunday School:* Children ages 3.5 - fifth grade are invited to attend as often as you are able at 10:00 am in the third floor classrooms. The Sunday School teachers will walk children down to the chapel for singing at the end of class.

*Singing with Ms. Regina:* Children of all ages are welcome to sing along with us in the chapel beginning at 10:45. Parents are invited to stay and sing together.

### Worship Hour 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

*Young Children and Worship:* Following the Time with Children in the worship service, children in PreK-2nd grade are led upstairs to participate in this Montessori-based worship program. Parents should plan to walk upstairs to pick their children up from the classrooms.

*Children's Church:* Following the Time with Children in the worship service, children in 3rd - 5th grade are led to the chapel to participate in age-appropriate worship, led by one of our pastors and Ms. Regina. Children are dismissed back to the sanctuary or to punch bunch when Children's Church is over.

### Youth Group

Youth Group meets a couple of Sunday evenings each month. If you're interested in receiving emails about youth group programming, please reach out to Pastor Meghan or Trey Fields ([fieldstreyo@gmail.com](mailto:fieldstreyo@gmail.com)) to be added to the list.

## Connect

[gtownpres.org/connect](http://gtownpres.org/connect)

### New Member Conference

Interested in joining GPC? Learn more about membership and what it means to be a Presbyterian at our next New Member Conference on May 19th. Be in touch with Pastor Jessica for more information.

### Requests for Prayers

Scan here or visit [gtownpres.org/connect](http://gtownpres.org/connect) to fill out the care and support form. Responses will go directly to the GPC Care Committee. Thank you for helping us care for yourselves and the broader GPC community.



## Happy Birthday!

<i>April 21</i>	Sam Cunningham Lilly Gillespie
<i>April 22</i>	Kathleen Jennings
<i>April 23</i>	Karl Mattison
<i>April 24</i>	Katie Novaria Lisa Olsen
<i>April 25</i>	Zoe Williams Elinor Supple
<i>April 26</i>	Lynn McDonald
<i>April 27</i>	Bob Sole Thomas Kennedy Louis Sterchi



# *Serving Our City, United in Christ*

*Welcome to the Georgetown Presbyterian Church*

If you are here for the first time, we extend a special welcome to you. Please take a moment to read through the bulletin which contains important information for the life of this congregation.

- Ushers are wearing red lapel tags and are in the back of the Sanctuary. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask them.
- Please join us after worship for refreshments and fellowship in the Georgetown Room.

Children are always welcome!

- Worship bags are available for children who wish to stay in the worship service. Children can pick these up under the bench in the Narthex, and return them after church
- For our youngest children through three years old, nursery care is available upstairs beginning at 9:45am.
- After the Time with Children in the service, children can remain with their families or exit the Sanctuary with our Children's Worship leaders to continue age-appropriate worship. Please feel free to escort your children to their classroom to meet the leaders.

Navigating the Service

- Stars ♦ indicate when you are invited to stand if you are able.
- Bold text indicates that the congregation says this together, in one voice.
- Hymns can be found in the purple hymnals. Bibles are located at the end of the pews. Large print hymnals are available in the back of the Sanctuary.
- We receive communion once a month, and all are welcome.



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