

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

3 November 2019
Mosaic Worship
11:00 AM

GATHER

Meditation of Preparation

The lives of most people are small, tight, pallid, and sad, more to be mourned than their deaths. We starve at the banquet: we cannot see that there is a banquet because seeing the banquet requires that we see also ourselves sitting there starving. Seeing ourselves clearly, even for a moment, is shattering. We are not dead but asleep, dreaming of ourselves.

David Foster Wallace

Life is a glorious banquet, a limitless and delicious buffet.

Maya Angelou

Lighting of Candle

Welcome and Announcements

Michael Usey

GRACE

Prelude

Prelude in D Minor
Melody Harter

J.S. Bach

Call to Worship

We give thanks to you, O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past:
for Abraham, the father of believers, and for Sarah, his wife; for Moses, the lawgiver, and Aaron, the priest;
for Mariam and Joshua, Deborah and Gideon; for Samuel and Hannah, his mother;
for Isaiah and all the prophets; for Mary, the mother of our Lord;
for Peter and Paul and all the apostles, for Mary, Martha, and Mary Magdalene;
for Stephen, the first martyr, and all the saints and prophets in every time and in every land.
In your mercy, give us, as you gave them, the hope of salvation, and the promise of eternal life; through the firstborn from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord.

★ Prayer of Thanksgiving

★ Response *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord*

Each line to be sung as a call and response:
Leaders sing first, then entire congregation repeats

Cameroon Song

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's ho - ly name. Al - le - lu - ia!
Lou - ez le Sei - gneur! Lou - ez son saint nom. Al - le - lu - ia!

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★ Prayer for the World & Unison Response

We are not alone. We live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

United Church of Canada, *New Creed*

★ Glory to God #1 *Holy, Holy, Holy!* NICAEA

GROW

New Testament Bible Reading Isaiah 25:6-10 The Message (MSG)

But here on this mountain, GOD-of-the-Angel-Armies will throw a feast for all the people of the world, A feast of the finest foods, a feast with vintage wines, a feast of seven courses, a feast lavish with gourmet desserts. And here on this mountain, GOD will banish the pall of doom hanging over all peoples, The shadow of doom darkening all nations. Yes, God will banish death forever. And GOD will wipe the **tears from every face. The Lord will remove every sign of disgrace from God's people, wherever they are. Yes! GOD says so! Also at that time, people will say, "Look at what's happened! This is our God! We waited and God showed up and saved us! This GOD, the one we waited for! Let's celebrate, sing the joys of God's salvation. GOD's hand rests on this mountain!"**

For the word of God in scripture,
for the word of God among us,
for the word of God within us,
Thanks be to God.

Special Music *Truth What a Wonderful World* Christian McIvor Bob Thiele & George David Weiss Jubilee Choir

Children's Sermon **Wayne Jones**

Children ages 3 through 4th grade are invited to come to the front for the children's sermon. Afterwards, children aged 3 may go to the toddlers' room, children ages 4 through 1st grade may leave for children's worship (room 110), 2nd graders & older may return to their seat.

Sermon *Saints are Sinners Who Kept on Going* Michael Usey

Moment of Silence

The sun, the earth, love, friends, our very breath are parts of the banquet.
Rebecca Harding Davis

GIVE

Remembrance of College Park Saints

Eternal God, make us this day to remember the unseen cloud of witnesses who compass us about:
Those who in every age and generation witnessed to their faith in life and in death; Bill Withers
Those who by their courage and their sacrifice won for us the freedom and the liberty we enjoy.
Those who served their sisters and brothers at the cost of pain, of persecution and of death; "Big" Steve Lowrance
Those for whom all the trumpets sounded as they passed over to the other side:
Those whom we have loved and who have gone to be with you, and whose names are written on our hearts. Lauren Sandifer
Help us to walk worthily of those in whose unseen presence life is lived.
Help us to have in our lives their courage in danger; their steadfastness in trial;
Their perseverance in difficulty; their loyalty when loyalty is costly;
Their love which nothing can change, their joy which nothing can take away.

At this time we invite the congregation to light a candle and say aloud the names of others whom they wish to remember.

So grant to us in this life never to forget those who have gone before,
So that in the life to come we may share their blessedness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

★ Glory to God #611 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* HYMN TO JOY

★ Offertory Prayer *Everybody, soon or late, sits down to a banquet of consequences.* Robert Louis Stevenson

Offertory *Fugue in D Minor* J.S. Bach Melody Harter

Invitation to the Lord's Table

This is the Lord's table, all are invited to partake. At College Park, parents decide when children are ready to take communion.

Wine is in the ceramic chalices. Grape juice is in the glass chalices. Gluten-free bread is available at the front table.

★ Communion

★ Response *Doxology 27* LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; O praise God! Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
O praise God, O praise God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

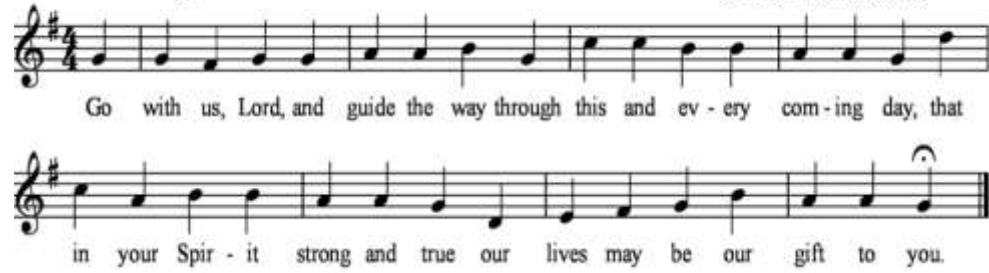
★ Benediction Michael Usey

★ Response

Go With Us, Lord

Text: Mary Jackson Cathey
Music: Thomas Tallis

With energy and enthusiasm!



★ Postlude

Depart in Peace

It is best to rise from life as from a banquet, neither thirsty nor drunken.
Aristotle

College Park Baptist Church fully welcomes and affirms all persons without distinction regarding race, ethnicity, national origin, class, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other human category.

The Liturgist today is Matt Cravey.
The Deacon Greeter today is Eileen LLoyd.

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★ Please stand as you are able.



Sunday Announcements



Creation. Care. Consideration.

Run your dishwasher only when it is completely full. Dishwashers use a lot of water and energy. You can save money and prevent over 100 pounds of carbon pollution each year by only washing full loads. **If you just have a few dishes and you're washing by hand, only fill the sink one-fourth full. Don't allow the tap to continuously run while you wash and rinse.**

Wednesday Night Schedule

- 5:30pm—Dinner
- 6:15 pm—Children Choir
- 6:30pm—**Bible Study: Don't Fear The Reaper**
- 7:30pm—Choir Practice

Youth Activities

- Sunday Evening Activities
- 5:00pm Youth Choir
- 6:00pm Youth Dinner
- 6:30 — 7:45pm Club Jesus

Don't Fear The Reaper: Wednesday Night Discussion @

6:30pm, Forest Chapel

Nov 6: **Don't Stop Bereaving**

Nov 13: Life After Death Discussion

Clinic Escort

Anyone who wants to become an escort needs to send a copy of their driver's license to <gsoclinicescorts@gmail.com> and ask about upcoming training (which is often at the beginning of a 7:45am escort shift). The clinic is called A Woman's Choice of Greensboro and is at 2425 Randleman Rd, Greensboro, NC 27406.

Tai Chi

Tuesdays 7pm in Forest Chapel.

Chili Cook-off—Wed., Nov. 20th

Calling all chefs! The Annual College Park Chili Cook Off is Wed., Nov. 20, at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up on the sheet outside the church office, call the church office: 336-273-1779, or email the church office at cpbcgbo@bellsouth.net.



THE 13 VALUES OF OUR CHURCH

- Worship the Living God corporately and privately.
- Enjoy fellowship with a community of faith.
- Provide quality Christian education for all ages.
- Support varied missions activities both here and abroad.
- Encourage creativity.
- Honor the integrity of the family, in all its various forms.
- Value an inclusiveness of all who confess Jesus is Lord.
- Use excellent music to praise and enjoy God.
- Promote radical stewardship of all talents.
- Plan for the future so the Church will flourish.
- Respect the diversity of our members.
- Be faithful to historic Baptist beliefs and Christian history.
- Encourage a deep Christian curiosity and spiritual openness.

Announcements Continued

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Help! Sunday School Supplies

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For the kids' classrooms: gently used puzzles of all levels, hand sanitizer, Clorox wipes, latex gloves for diaper changing, diaper wipes, glue sticks. We are also working on decorating a new room; retired teachers, if you have "teacher stuff" like bulletin board supplies, a classroom rug, manipulatives, etc, we may be able to use them--see Lauren Grubbs if you think you have things we could use! For the Blessings Box: granola bars, ramen noodles, Chap Stick, packaged crackers or individual-sized bags of peanuts, and Ensure drinks.



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 Thursday: Sheryl Ketner, Linden Killian, Grant Kirkman Saturday: Lily Austin
 Anniversary: November 8: Rachel & Adam Carroll
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Concerns

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 Mildred Cottrell is now receiving visitors if you call ahead. Cards are also welcome.
 Address, 108 Kathland Dr. Thomasville, NC 27360, Tel: 336-472-0477

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