

The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

May 12, 2013 – 11:00 a.m.

The Seventh Sunday of Easter



*Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ! All people are welcome at the Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church.
We hope that you experience the spiritual comfort, inspiration, and renewal of God's love as we worship together.
Please join us after worship for refreshments in Chadsey Hall.*

We Gather Together

- Prelude** Chorale, op.37 Joseph Jongen (1873 –1953)
- Greeting** The Rev. Lynn Jostes
- *Call to Worship** Elder Julie Haifley
- Leader: Jesus said, "This is my commandment: Love one another."
People: We come to worship the God who is love that we may learn to love one another.
Leader: Jesus said, "No longer do I call you servants; but now I call you my friends."
People: We come to worship the God whose friends we are through Christ.
All: Let us sing praise to God, and live in love and friendship toward the human family, through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.
- *Hymn 555** Now Thank We All Our God Blue Hymnal

*Those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold indicates congregational response.**

***Corporate Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)**

The Rev. Jane Duffield

God of love, you call us to love one another just as Jesus loved us. We admit that we sometimes fail to love those within the Christian community, those within our denomination, and even those within our own church; and that by failing to do so, we demean and dishonor your Gospel and grace. In your great mercy, forgive us. Baptize us anew with your Spirit of love, and give us grace to accept those whom you accept, to love those whom you love, to forgive one another as you have forgiven us, and to live and work in united witness; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

***Personal Prayers of Confession (*Silently*)**

***Assurance of Pardon (*Responsive*)**

All who seek, God finds.

All who ask, God forgives.

Christ is our joy and our life's salvation.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***The People's Response**

Blue Hymnal, 111 vs. 4 *Gelobt sei Gott*

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!

To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***The Peace (*Responsive*)**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ,

let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

And also with you!

Please exchange with one another, by words and gesture, signs of peace and reconciliation.

We Hear the Word

Prayer for Illumination (*Unison*)

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that, hearing we may also obey your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel Reading

John 13:31-35

Pew Bible, NT, p. 108

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

No Greater Love

The Rev. Lynn Jostes

***Hymn 376**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
(Ladies only, st. 2; Men only, st. 3)

Blue Hymnal

***Affirmation of Faith (*Unison*)**

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one Triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve...Loving us always, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

--A *Brief Statement of Faith*, PCUSA

We Share Our Community Concerns

Welcome and Announcements

Moment for Ministry: The Pentecost Offering/Transition Assistance Program

Roland Olson

Joys and Concerns

Please fill out a Prayer Request Card from the pew rack with the details of your concern and place it in the offering plate.

- **Florence Mills** requests prayers for **Norm**, her cousin's husband, who is undergoing tremendous pain while recovering from successful surgery and for her cousin, **Libby**, who is starting difficult and uncertain medical treatment.
- **Rita Theresa** requests prayers of healing for **Ruth**, who will undergo additional surgery after a fall that injured her knee.
- **Sally Cox** requests prayers for the men, women, and clients of **Gospel Rescue Ministries**.
- **Bill and Carol Deck** offer prayers of joy, on the birth of their granddaughter, **Willow Harper Bannister**.
- **Dale Kasab** requests prayers for **Scott**, a dear family friend, and his young family. Scott is recovering from a double lung transplant.
- **Zak Klase** requests prayers for **Michele**, who is recovering after being struck by a car two weeks ago.
- **Alice Weicher** asks for prayers for the **Whitter** family, whose daughter was born prematurely weighing only 1 lb. 8 oz.
- Prayers of sympathy and comfort are requested for the **Radiferas** on the death of Erna's brother, **Frank**, who died in a recent car accident.
- **Fred Atwood** requests prayers for **Andrea**, who is facing extended chemotherapy that will be followed by cancer surgery.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (Unison)

...We ask these things in the name of the one who teaches us to pray together saying, **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 Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory Anthem

Christ Hath a Garden
The Chancel Choir

Gerald Near

*Christ hath a garden walled around, A Paradise of fruitful ground,
Chosen by love and fenced by grace From out the world's wide wilderness.*

*Like trees of spice his servants stand, There planted by his mighty hand;
By Eden's gracious streams, that flow To feed their beauty where they grow.*

*Awake, O wind of heav'n and bear Their sweetest perfume through the air:
Stir up, O south, the boughs that bloom, Till the beloved Master come:*

*That he may come, and linger yet Among the trees that he hath set;
That he may evermore be seen To walk amid the springing green.*

~Isaac Watts

*The People's Thanksgiving

Blue Hymnal, 111 vs. 3, *Gelobt sei Gott*

***Praise we in songs of victory That love, that life which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 371

Lift High the Cross

Blue Hymnal

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Trumpet Tune

Frederick Swann (b. 1931)

*** Leaders in worship include** The Rev. Lynn Jostes, Associate Pastor for Christian Nurture; The Rev. Jane Duffield, Interim Associate Pastor; Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music; The Chancel Choir; Elder Julie Haifley, Liturgist.

*** Flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God** and in loving memory of Rita & Bill Leahy and Susie & Jim Miller by Chris and Bill Leahy

*** Ushers for worship services include** Dottie Boerner, Bill Clotworthy, Margaret Chan, Mary Ballou, Bruce Carlson, Elaine Walker.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR
MAY 12 – MAY 19**

Sunday, May 12 Mother's Day	8:45 – 9:25 9:30 – 10:30 9:45 – 10:45 9:45 – 10:45 9:45 – 10:45 10:00 – 11:00 10:30 – 11:00 11:00 – 12:00 11:00 – 12:00 12:00 – 1:30	Carol Choir—Room 308 Worship—Sanctuary Church School Classes—Education Building Bible in Context—Room 350 B Open Forum—Geneva Hall Faith Trek—Library Brunch—Chadsey Hall Worship—Sanctuary Junior Choir—Room 308 Refreshments—Chadsey Hall
Tuesday, May 14	10:30 – 11:30 12:30 – 2:30 2:00 – 3:00 7:30 – 9:00 7:30 – 9:00 7:30 – 9:00	Staff Meeting—Firesides Needlework Group—Library Staff Birthday Party—Conference Room CE Committee—Library Worship and Music—Firesides Board of Deacons Meeting—Geneva Hall
Wednesday, May 15	7:30 – 9:00 7:30 – 9:00 7:30 – 9:30	Middle East Lecture Series—Geneva Hall CC Inviting Committee—Library Chancel Choir Rehearsal— Room 300, Sanctuary
Thursday, May 16	9:30 – 4:30 10:00 – 11:30 11:00 – 1:30 6:30 – 9:00 7:30 – 9:30	Organ Tuning—Sanctuary Hard Hats—Church Building Circle 4—Geneva Hall Bell Choir Potluck & Polishing Party—Firesides Youth Committee Meeting—Library
Saturday, May 19	9:00 – 4:30 9:30 – 4:30 9:30 – 9:00	Concert Dress Rehearsal—Sanctuary WNS BBQ—Rooms 150, 160, 170, 180, Chadsey Hall, Parking Lot Oneg Shabbat—Geneva Hall
Sunday, May 19 Pentecost Sunday Wear Red!	8:45 – 9:25 9:30 – 10:30 9:45 – 10:45 9:45 – 10:45 9:45 – 10:45 10:00 – 11:00 10:30 – 11:00 11:00 – 12:00 12:00 – 1:30 12:30 – 2:30 4:00 – 5:30 5:00 – 6:30 5:00 – 7:00 5:00 – 7:00 7:30 – 9:00	Carol Choir—Room 308 Worship—Sanctuary Church School Classes—Education Building Bible in Context—Room 350 B Open Forum—Geneva Hall Faith Trek—Library Brunch—Chadsey Hall Worship: Pentecost Sunday—Sanctuary Refreshments—Chadsey Hall ESL Classes—Calvin Hall, Rooms 350 A & B, 360, 380 CC Concerts—Chancel Choir—Sanctuary Concert Reception—Chadsey Hall Firesides Youth Group—Firesides Hearthstones Youth Group—Room 350 Men's Spirituality Group—Geneva Hall

Christ our Center ✦ Children our Blessing ✦ Justice our Passion

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