THE WORSHIP OF GOD

COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

24 November 2019 Mosaic Worship 11:00 AM

GATHER

Meditation of Preparation

After a good dinner, one can forgive anybody, even one's own relations.

Oscar Wilde

Showing gratitude is one of the simplest yet most powerful things humans can do for each other.

Randy Pausch

Candle Lighting

Welcome and Announcements

James Blay

GRACE

Prelude Invocation

★ Call to Worship

Gracious God, the season of Thanksgiving alerts us and reminds us to be grateful for common, everyday wonders.

Thank you for colored things: for the bright scenes of Sunday comics, for the many hues of human skin, for the brilliant bronze of sunset **reflected in a skyscraper's glass.**

Thank you for textured things: for the slippery smoothness of ice, for the rocky roughness of a hiking path, for the impossible softness of a baby's hair.

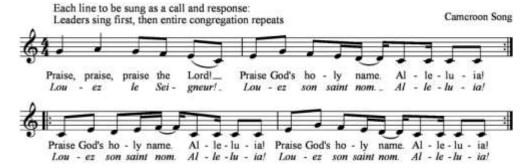
Thank you for living things: for the breathing natural world, for

Thank you for imaginable things: for the vision of a world at peace, for bold forgiveness, for the dreams and hopes of all our years.

Gracious God, our Provider and Sustainer, all gratitude and glory we give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

- ⋆ Prayer of Thanksgiving
- * Response Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord

thriving relationships, for an active faith.



⋆ 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 #336

We Gather Together

KREMSER

GROW

Hebrew Bible Reading

Deuteronomy 8:7-18 The Message (MSG)

So it's paramount that you keep the commandments of God, your God, walk down the roads he shows you and reverently respect him. GoD is about to bring you into a good land, a land with brooks and rivers, springs and lakes, streams out of the hills and through the valleys. It's a land of wheat and barley, of vines and figs and pomegranates, of olives, oil, and honey. It's land where you'll never go hungry always food on the table and a roof over your head. It's a land where you'll get iron out of rocks and mine copper from the hills. After a meal, satisfied, bless God, your God, for the good land you have been given. Make sure you don't forget God, your God, by not keeping God's commandments, God's rules and regulations that I command you today. Make sure that when you eat and are satisfied, build pleasant houses and settle in, see your herds and flocks flourish and more and more money come in, watch your standard of living going up and up—make sure you don't become so full of yourself and your things that you forget GoD, your God, the God who delivered you from Egyptian slavery; the God who led you through that huge and fearsome wilderness, those desolate, arid badlands crawling with fiery snakes and scorpions; the God who gave you water gushing from hard rock; the God who gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never heard of, in order to give you a taste of the hard life, to test you so that you would be prepared to live well in the days ahead of you. If you start thinking to yourselves, "I did all this. And all by myself. I'm rich. It's all mine!"—well, think again. Remember that GoD, your God, gave you the strength to produce all this wealth so as to confirm the covenant that God promised to your ancestors—as it is today.

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.

Children's Sermon

Lexi Eagles

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

Accepting Cookies

Michael Usey

Anthem

Gratitude Changes Everything
Adult Choir

Mark Hayes

Moment of Silence

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life.

Melody Beattie

GIVE

- **★** Glory to God #81 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken AUSTRIAN HYMN
- * Offertory Prayer

Reflect upon your present blessings — of which every person has many — not on your past misfortunes, of which all have some.

Charles Dickens

Offertory

Meditation

★ Response Doxology 27

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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!

* Recognition of New Members

In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place. We offer you our love, our care, our kinship and our hopes. We hope to learn from you, give to you and receive from you, by God's grace.

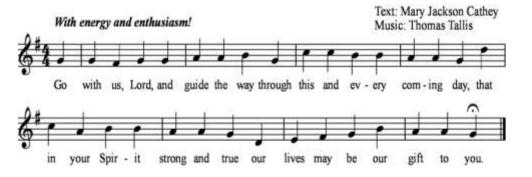
Thank God you are here!

* Benediction

Michael Usey

★ Response

Go With Us. Lord



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Celebration

Depart in Peace

If the only prayer you ever say in your entire life is thank you, it will be enough.

Meister Eckhart

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 Ann Usey.

The Deacon Greeter today is Laurey Solomon.

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⋆ Please stand as you are able.







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.

Sunday Announcements



Creation. Care. Consideration.

Choose to refuse single-use plastic. Plastics don't break down in the environment, so they are here to stay. You can help - when you get takeout, tell your server you don't need plastic straws, cups, bags or silverware.



Rabbi Speaking

Rabbi speaking Sunday night at Beth David at 7:00pm about his trip to the Texas/Mexico border

Triad Health Project's World AIDS Day Event

Triad Health Project's World AIDS Day Event is the, 5B Film Screening and Panel Discussion: 5B was the very first AIDS Ward in the United States, the film focuses on the everyday heroes who made it happen. - The screening will be held on, Sunday, December 1, 2019, from 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM, at Weatherspoon Art Gallery, 500 Tate Street, Greensboro, NC - There is no charge for admission, to make reservations or for more information about 5B Film, the link is www.triadhealthproject.com/5B

Wednesday Night Schedule

5:30pm—Dinner

6:15 pm—Children Choir

6:30pm—Bible Study

7:30pm— Choir Practice

Youth Activities - Sunday Evening

5:00pm Youth Choir

6:00pm Youth Dinner

6:30 — 7:45pm Holy Chaos

No Youth Dinner or Holy Chaos on Dec. 1.

Advent Workshop

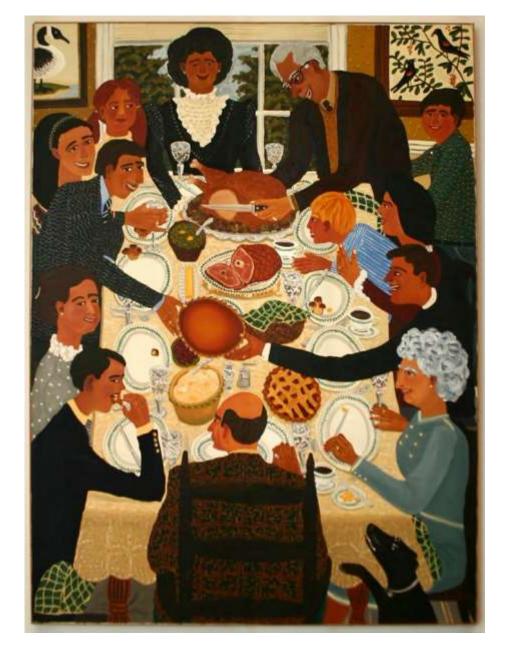
Sunday, December 8, Noon-1:30pm pm, we are hosting an Advent Workshop. All are invited to participate in thoughtful activities that will prepare you, your children and your families for this important season.

Tai Chi

Tuesdays @ 7pm in Forest Chapel.

Out of The Garden Food Distribution

Today from 2:00—3:30pm @ Lindley Elementary School.



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