

**HYATTSTOWN CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)**

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September 3, 2023 Proper 17 Sunday (Year A)



**PRELUDE :** Matt Dohm

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** Elder

**MISSION STATEMENT**

**OPENING PRAYER** Rev. Banks

**\*HYMN:** *“God of Grace and God of Glory”* #464 v1,4

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient church’s story; bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

**RESPONSIVE READING** Psalm 26: 1-8 Liturgist

**\*GLORIA PATRI:** *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. Amen.*

**FIRST READING:** Ruth 1: 1-18 Liturgist

**\*GOSPEL READING:** Matthew 16: 21-28 Liturgist

This is the Word of Our Lord: . . . **Thanks Be To God**

**HYMN:** *“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”* #16 v1, 3

Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, how I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

**SERMON:** Rev. Banks

**“Never on Sunday: Ruth”** Ruth 1: 1-18

**PRAYER CONCERNS** Elder

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Banks

***The Eucharist—the Giving and Receiving of Gifts***

**INVITATION AND RECEIVING OF OUR GIFTS** Elder

**\*THE DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host.*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER** Elder

**COMMUNION HYMN: “Come to the Table of Grace”**

Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.

This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace. (Second verse use ‘Love’)

We practice an Open Table!

All who believe are welcome to share the sacrament!

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION** All

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION** #389

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** Elder

**PARTAKING OF THE BREAD & THE CUP**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** (unison) Elder

*Our Father, which 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.*

**\*HYMN:** *“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”* #18 v1, 4

All people that on earth do dwell, sing out your faith with cheer-ful voice; delight in God whose praise you tell, whose presence calls you to rejoice. Proclaim again that God is good, whose mercy is forever sure, whose truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

**BENEDICTION:** Rev. Banks

**POSTLUDE:** Matt Dohm

Sharing in the spirit of fellowship (on Zoom) All

## SUNDAY PRAYER REQUESTS:

**September 3, 2023** Second Washington Chapel Church of Christ (DOC), Hyattsville, MD  
Paul Chimhungwe, Botswana

**August 27, 2023** – Joys and concerns will be included in the next bulletin.

**August 20, 2023** – Prayers for Pam & Victor, biopsy shows cancer. For Diana, having a treatment last week cut short because cancer drugs are in short supply. (Debbie F.) Also, for Mark Miller, who passed away last Friday - related to Debbie F. A Gail friend & Hugh's brother, Roger sent funds for the Hugh Memorial. The request for funds to help with school supplies produced \$250. Pastor Monica will complete the transaction. Continued prayers for Janice Seaman, Maui & weather in California

**August 13, 2023** – Gail requested prayers for those we fed in the food kitchen. Beth reported we fed 84 people and used up all of the lasagna! Debbie F. requested prayers for all in Maui affected by the fires. She also asked for prayers for her sister Diane who is getting 3<sup>rd</sup> chemo this week. Joyce requested prayers for Victor, Pam's husband, who has a mass on his pancreas. They are awaiting test results. Pastor Monica reported that she received a call from Kim, a mother of six, who is trying to raise funds for school supplies for her kids. Joys: Debbie B's birthday! Also, joy that Pastor Monica's HS debate coach who is doing better.

**August 6, 2023** – Chris asks for prayers for college students & families traveling. Chuck W. is home – prayers continue for recovery. Debbie F. shares joy & continued prayers for sister Diana – chemo is shrinking tumors. 1 more chemo & then surgery. Debbie B. asks for continued prayers for Janice Seaman who had a scan - good news that tumors shrank & she can stay off chemo for now. Prayers for recovery for Pastor Monica's HS Debate coach – on vent. Prayers for Pam's husband Victor. Doctors believe he may have pancreatic cancer – big prayers needed. Pastor Monica shared a joy that General Assembly was wonderful, and they passed resolutions making safe places for trans folks. Prayers for Hawaii.

**A cure to cancer and those who are living with it: Janice Seaman; Dana Miller; Elaine Silver; Tammy Lynn; Mary Jodrie; Gillian Anderson; Fred Stockum; Ron Chalfant; Eddie's sister. Also remembering Sharon Turman, David Stickerod, Hoodie Geisbert.**

### September Celebrations:

**Birthdays:** 9/5 Stacey Wilson, 9/17 Scott Stickerod, 9/21 Ben Blair, 9/24 Janice Seaman

**Anniversaries:** 9/8 Jack & Beth Sweeney



## ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

September 3, 2023

### Sermon Schedule

**Today is the last in the sermon series, Never on Sunday.**

**Our Web Site: HyattstownChristianChurch.org**  
**Our Region's Web Site: CCCADisciples.org**

----- Mission Statement-----

**"Hyattstown Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is the little church with the big heart. We are an Open and Affirming welcoming group of individuals seeking to bring God's love and service to our broader community, meeting people where they are."**

### SERVING SCHEDULE

Servers	Sep 3, 2023	Sept 10, 2023	Sept 17, 2023
Elder:	Debbie Flook	Chris Moore	G. Wagner
Deacons:	M. Barrientos	Joyce Clark	G. Johnson
Liturgist:	Gail Howard	G. Johnson	G. Wagner

### Attendance for Aug 20, 2023 : ?

July—General Fund Collection (w/Zelle)—\$5,303  
Northside/Southside—\$3800, Feed the Hungry—\$160, Gen. Assem. —\$12,  
Pastor Spt—\$100, Easter Sunrise - \$100, Howard Memorial - \$4100 (as of 8/22), Howard Reception - \$1783 (as of 7/23)

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