

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

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September 24, 2023 Proper 20 Sunday (Year A)



PRELUDE :	Matt Dohm
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Elder
MISSION STATEMENT	
OPENING PRAYER	Rev. Banks
*HYMN: “Eternal Father, Strong to Save”	#85 v1,3
Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm has bound the restless wave, who bid the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep: O hear us when we cry to thee in peril on the sea.	
O Holy Spirit, who did brood upon the chaos wild and rude, and bid its angry tumult cease, and gave, for fierce confusion, peace: O hear us when we cry to thee for those in peril on the sea.	
RESPONSIVE READING	Psalm 145: 1-8 Liturgist
*GLORIA PATRI: <i>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.</i>	
FIRST READING:	Philippians 1: 21-30 Liturgist
*GOSPEL READING:	Matthew 20: 1-16 Liturgist
This is the Word of Our Lord: . . . Thanks Be To God	
HYMN: “How Firm a Foundation”	#618 v1, 2
How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God’s excellent word! What more can be said than to you God has said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled? “Fear not, I am with thee, oh be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid. I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.”	
SERMON:	Rev. Banks
“God’s Labor Laws” Matthew 20: 1-16	
PRAYER CONCERNS	Elder
PASTORAL PRAYER	Rev. Banks

The Eucharist—the Giving and Receiving of Gifts

INVITATION AND RECEIVING OF OUR GIFTS	Elder
*THE DOXOLOGY	
<i>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.</i>	
*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
<i>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.</i>	
*HYMN: “Lift Every Voice and Sing”	#631 v1, 3
Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty; let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us; sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us; facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won. God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us into the light; keep us for ever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee; shadowed beneath thy hand may we for ever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.	
BENEDICTION:	Rev. Banks
POSTLUDE:	Matt Dohm
Sharing in the spirit of fellowship (on Zoom)	All

SUNDAY PRAYER REQUESTS:

September 24, 2023 Capital Area Commission for Congregational Life
Taylor Rapp, Dominican Republic

September 10, 2023 – Mary asks for prayers for her friend Elaine. She also thanked everyone for their prayers for Brick. Joyce reports Victor is home, needs continued prayers. Also asked for prayer for her brother and a neighbor. Gabrielle said her sister needs prayers. Eddie asked for continued prayers for Debbie’s sister, Diane, who is struggling with treatments. He also asked for prayers for his brother Merle. Barb L is without water and hoping for repairs Monday – thankful for friends. Debbie B asks for travel blessing for her and Andy as they travel to San Juan Islands in the upper Northwest of US. Pastor Monica won a raffle and had a wonderful spa day. Chris & Walt expressed joy that a family didn’t have the tragic loss of their baby when its stroller went over a cliff in Japan. Dad went over as well in attempt to save. Baby has concussion but otherwise okay.

September 3, 2023 - Joyce started the concern for Pam & Victor. He couldn’t have a treatment - Debbie F said he needs a port inserted & then the treatment. That could be this week. Debbie says Diana is now in the hospital. She hasn’t done well with the treatments. Eddie lifts his brother, Merle, for the upcoming visit to the oncologist before that surgery. Debbie F was in the dentist chair for 2 hours & she is sore. Pastor Monica has an upcoming dental to make sure everything is ready for the implants. Out to dinner with Ryan as it is his birthday tomorrow. Prayers for Labor Day Family get-togethers. Travel blessings as Jack & Beth are going up to Worcester for a funeral T-Th.

August 27, 2023 – Continued prayers for Victor who is in pain. Continued prayers for Diane, Debbie F’s sister – she was sick after treatment and working on next steps. Merle Flook had colon surgery Friday. Gabrielle asked for prayer her friend Grace whose grandfather died. Miranda’s friend Matt was in town, now in Germany. Debbie B asked for prayers for Ben & his relationship issues, Michele Smith who lost her mom, and Aaiza who lost her uncle after losing her dad. Joys that David & Chris Blair visited. Barb L’s great granddaughter turned 5 & is starting kindergarten. Brother is doing great and is going on a trip with his motorhome. Monica spent 7 hours at the Nat’l mall marching for Civil Rights. Added during week – prayers for Fred, Ann Larmer’s friend, Fred, who was in hospital and now released but has blood clot next to lung.

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 17, 2023

Book Study has begun for Lenny Duncan’s “Dear Church”. Meetings are Wednesdays at 7 PM.

Pastor Monica will attend the ministers’ conference at Bethany Beach the weekend of Sept 28.

Miranda will be out Oct 1 & 15. Gabrielle will run Zoom on Oct 1 – need someone else to run on the 15th.

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

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"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 24, 2023	Oct 1, 2023	Oct 8, 2023
Elder:	S. Wilson	John Wilson	Debbie Flook
Deacons:	P. McIntire	C. McIntire	Walt Moore
Liturgist:	John Wilson	S. Wilson	M. Barrientos

Attendance for Sept 10, 2023 : 19

**August—General Fund Collection (w/Zelle)—\$4,966
Northside/Southside—\$3800, Mission Family—\$250, Gen. Assem. —\$10,
Reconciliation - \$60, Howard Memorial - \$4300 (as of 8/30)**

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