

Ark and Dove Presbyterian Church, USA



SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

Holy and eternal one, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so free our wills, that this church may be wholly yours, dedicated to living with your love and working for your justice. Here may the beleaguered find shelter. Here may the hungry find nurture, here may we escape our narrow silos and find true fellowship and friendship. Help us to bring the best of our hearts to worship this day. Amen

4RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 30th, 2022 10:30 a.m.

PREPARATORY MUSIC

Prayer of St. Francis

-Carol McClure

Children's Choir; Walker Boudreau, violin

THE PRESENTATION OF SCRIPTURE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Psalm 71)

Leader: In you O God we take refuge. In your church we find safety.

People: **You are our rock and our refuge, a strong fortress for our faith.**

Leader: Our voices are filled with praise, for the Holy One is our hope.

People: **We come this day lauding the works of God. We lift our hearts and voices to God alone.**

HYMN NO. 394

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

-Henry Purcell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Father, Mother of us all, in our baptisms we are equipped to honor you and serve your church. Your Spirit gives us what we need to bind up broken hearts, to repair spiritual detours, and to join in fellowship that we might find true community. You fill the very space between us with your life-giving presence that we would engage in discipleship, that we might make real your dream, the transformation of the world. We, for our part, stare at our screens. We pace and fret. We welcome doubt and anxiety. We choose scarcity over eternity and so we hold back. Forgive our timidity and self-indulgences. Heal our anxieties. Free us to be your church, even now as we approach you in silent prayer.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

RESPONSE

All the People Said Amen

-Matt Maher, Paul Moak, and Trevor Morgan

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WELCOME, FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS, LIVE-STREAM CHECK-IN, AND JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

HYMN NO. 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

-James K. Manley

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:38-47

GOSPEL READING

Luke 5:1-11

RESPONSE

Leader: The Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Shelter, Nurture and Spiritual Fellowship”

- Tim Stern

THE MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (p. 35, debts & debtors)

THE OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

The Lord is My Rock

Paul Doughty, soloist; Laura Doughty, flute

-Camille Saint-Saëns

RESPONSE NO. 607

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

- Genevan Psalter

DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, ELECTRONIC AND ONLINE GIVING

HYMN NO. 727

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

- Richard Gillard

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

Once Upon a Rainy Day

- Jubing Kristianto

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offerings are received at the sanctuary entrance and online [here](#). Thank you!

IN-PERSON SERVICES RESUME In-person worship continue at the 10:30am service, with limited in-person attendance. Please reserve your space online (see your latest Arkive in your email or go to our website: arkanddove.org). On February 6th, we will bring back the in-person 9am worship service and also Sunday School during the 10:30 am service.

NAMETAGS PLEASE Please wear a nametag, with the color that matches your preference for contact: Red means no contact please; Yellow means fits bumps and elbow bumps are OK; Green means handshakes are welcome. Please ask before hugging.

ANNUAL CONGRGATIONAL MEETING – TONIGHT! The Annual Congregational meeting will take tonight, **January 30th, at 7:00 PM**. This will be a Hybrid meeting taking place in the Sanctuary and on Zoom at the same time.

PUB TRIVIA NIGHT The Adult Ed Team is hosting Pub Trivia on Zoom immediately after the congregational meeting **TONIGHT!** Topics include Bible trivia, Church history, and wild card questions, and don't worry about forming a team beforehand, teams will be formed that evening. **But** ... we do want your help! Please submit trivia questions in the google form: <https://forms.gle/VRdPd4o38MCXSiHM8>. Contact Katie Nilsen-Johnson with any questions (knilsenjohnson@gmail.com)

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR PER CAPITA SPECIAL OFFERING Per capita is a set amount of money (a pass-through apportionment per member) that all congregations pay to the larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). When we participate in paying our per capita, we're saying, "I'm in. I'm a part of this denomination; connected to it and intend to fund it and support it." When you pay your \$38.50 PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT, please know that our contributions will immediately go to improve Ark & Dove's bottom-line, enabling us to further fund our mission and ministry programs in 2022. You can pay online at arkanddove.org, under Giving tab, text an amount to 410-983-3481 followed by **percapita**, or use a blue Per Capita giving envelop found in the sanctuary.

END OF YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS 2021 End of Year Giving Statements were emailed out on Monday, 1/17. Please check your email (including Spam folder) to make sure you received your statement. If you have questions, please contact Steve Debus (steven.debus89@gmail.com)

CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS There will be no youth group this Sunday evening, on account of the Annual Meeting. We will reconvene the following week at church. Logos will meet **on Tuesday at the church, 6-7 pm**. Please dress warmly for about 15 minutes of outside activity and please wear a mask. If you are not comfortable gathering with the mask your child has, we have M95 masks, children's sized, available. To receive Logos communications, contact Amy Goldberg at amygoldberg.2010@gmail.com.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY Join us every **Wednesday** at 10 AM for Bible study and fellowship. Contact Pastor Jon (jnelson@arkanddove.org) for the Zoom link.

CHANGE TO 'AFTERNOON TEA' Because of a conflict with another program we are looking to move our Afternoon Tea on Zoom from Thursdays at 3pm to another time and/or day. If you have a preferred day and time, please email Joan Berry before February 1st with that suggestion (joanb3rry@gmail.com).

DEACONS MEAL PREP HELP NEEDED One of the ways we care for friends and members of the congregation is to provide meals for people during difficult times. If you are someone who is able and willing to make meals periodically, please contact our Deacon's Meal team leader, Annetta Fenstermacher, at: 410-519-0309, or email: fenstermacherra@aol.com.

EARTH CARE TEAM Join us Wednesday, February 2 at 7:30pm, via Zoom, to discuss becoming an Earth Care Congregation and Earth Care projects for 2022. Please contact Bob Fuller at rtfuller@mac.com for the Zoom invite if interested.

HEALING THROUGH GRIEF GROUP Pastor Tim, Cathy Debus, and Linnie Girdner will be co-facilitating the next Healing through Grief group on Wednesday, **February 9th at 7:30 pm**, again as a Zoom meeting. The Healing through Grief small group is open to anyone attending Ark and Dove, as well as family members, friends and neighbors, who have experienced the death of a loved one, whether it is recent or a long time ago. Please let Linnie know if you have the slightest inclination to attend on February 9th, so that they can send you the link to the Zoom meeting. If you change your mind later, no problem. Also, let Linnie know if you have not used Zoom before, so that she can provide you with some information in advance. Any questions, contact Pastor Tim Stern at tstern@arkanddove.org or 410-674-6400, or Linnie Girdner, at girdnerlinda@gmail.com or 410-999-7892.

Welcome! We hope you enjoyed worshiping with us! Join us again, every Sunday, at 10:30 am for an in-person and livestreamed worship service. Starting February 6th we will have Godly Play Sunday School during the 10:30 service for grades pre-K thru 5, and a contemplative music service at 9:00 am. Would you like a pastor to contact you? Would you like to learn more about Ark and Dove? Please send a note to admin@arkanddove.org.

We are a Matthew 25 church and a More Light church!

Ministry Leaders

Liturgist – Cathy Debus

Usher – Greg Makar

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