

Ark and Dove Presbyterian Church, USA

9:00am



Samuel Anointing David, Dura-Europos Synagogue, Syria, ca. 250 C.E.

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

*O God, you pour out the Spirit of grace and love.
Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts,
that with steady minds and burning zeal
we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen.*

4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 19th, 2023 9:00 a.m.

PREPARATORY MUSIC

Graves into Gardens

- Elevation Worship

Adell Gaurin and Kim Champagne

THE PRESENTATION OF SCRIPTURE BY THE BEADLE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God does not see as mortals see.
We look on the outward appearance;
God looks on the heart.

**People: Jesus, Light of the World,
Give us eyes to see as you see!**

Leader: Once we lived in darkness, but now—
as children of light, we are called
to what is good and right and true.

People: Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!

Leader: Let us worship God.

HYMN NO. 663

Awake, My Soul, and with the Sun

(Congregation may stand)

- Thomas Tallis

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of great mercy, we confess
that we have sinned against you.
We are quick to quarrel and condemn
and slow to receive your gift of grace.
We look at outward appearances
and fail to see what pleases you.
We look with judgment on others
and fail to see our own sin.
Forgive us, by your steadfast love.
As we enter into the silence,
create a clean heart within us,
teach us your holy way,
and restore the joy of salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

RESPONSE

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

(Congregation may stand)
– Matt Redman

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

(We invite you to sign in on our red Friendship Registers found at an end of each row.)

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING

I Samuel 16:1-13

GOSPEL READING

John 2:23-25

RESPONSE

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“God Only Knows”

- Stephen Price-Gibson

THE MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

Amazing Grace (House of the Rising Sun)

- Arr. Len Rhodes

RESPONSE

The Doxology

(Congregation may stand)

- Phil Wickham

DEDICATION OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, ELECTRONIC AND ONLINE GIVING

HYMN NO. 30

O God, in a Mysterious Way

(Congregation may stand)

- Scottish Psalter

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

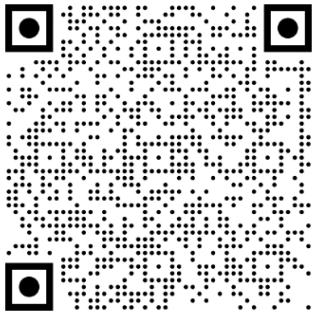
CLOSING MUSIC

Graves into Gardens

- Elevation Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY WEEK FLOWERS The Flower Team and Worship Ministry are accepting donations for palms and Easter flowers for Holy week. The suggested donation is \$15 and may be made at in-person worship service or by texting *FLOWERS* to 410-983-3481. Easter lilies will be available to take home on after Easter Service if desired. Forms are available in the church bulletin or online. If you have any questions, please contact Paula Griggs at 443-510-6687 or paulagriggs32@gmail.com.



UPCOMING LISTENING SESSIONS Our Ark and Dove core team is involved in ACT's current listening campaign. We invite Ark and Dove members and friends and local community members to talk with us. Your concerns and needs may become causes that ACT addresses through county-wide actions. To see upcoming dates, used the QR code. See the latest *Arkive* for more information or contact Paula Griggs at 443-510-6687 or paulagriggs32@gmail.com.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPECIAL OFFERING Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Offerings may be submitted in the OGHS envelope in the seat backs in the sanctuary, within the Giving Tab on the A&D website, or by texting *Great Hour* to 410-983-3481 to donate.

GLEAM – FAMILY & ALLY MEETING This will be held on **Monday, March 20th, 7 - 8pm**. This support group is for family and friends of LGBTQIA+ persons and for allies who want to learn more. For the zoom link contact Amy Tardiff Amy.Tardiff@arkanddove.org.

PARENT GROUP MEETING We invite parents and caregivers of children thru college-age to meet in the Marshall room at **11:30am on March 26th** for an hour of fellowship and shared pizza. Let's continue to meet fellow friends on the parenting journey! Childcare provided for a small contribution. If you have questions, contact Nicole Howe at nicolehowe123@gmail.com.

LET US THANK THE PRICE-GIBSONS! Let us join together on **April 30th at 11:45am** to celebrate the Price-Gibsons and their wonderful service to Ark & Dove in our time of transition. Please sign up at arkanddove.org/foodsignup so we know how many to expect!

CAP FOOD PANTRY The Christian Assistance Program (CAP) food pantry in Odenton is grateful for our ongoing support. For the remainder of March and April, the *Item of the Month* is jelly and jam. We have bins marked for CAP food in the cabinet across from the lobby coat rack. Food can also be taken directly to the pantry at First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Odenton, on Tuesdays 10:30am-1:30pm and Thursdays 2:30-5:30pm. Or contact Greg Makar (GLMakar@juno.com) to make other arrangements.

REFUGEE FAMILY IN NEED OF CLOTHES A refugee family is in need of clothing, and lightly used clothes are fine. A plastic bin mark with the family's alias name has been installed underneath the coat rack at the church to collect any clothes you might have. If you wanted to also contribute a grocery or other card (Shoppers, Walmart, etc) you can leave that in an envelope marked for the Mexican refugee family on Cherese's (Church Admin) desk. If you have any questions OR would like to be added to the email list for future updates, contact Laura Willoughby Perry at ljwilloughby@gmail.com.

PRINCE OF PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Have bikes or books taking up room in your house? Drop them off at Prince of Peace (1657 Crofton Parkway, Crofton) **TODAY from 1 to 4 pm**, and they will be put to good use! Any questions can be directed to Lillian Rompay Lillian.vanrompay@gmail.com.

*If you are not signed up for the weekly Arkive,
please email admin@arkanddove.org to be added to the email list.*

Welcome! We hope you enjoyed worshiping with us and that you will come again. In person worship is at 9:00 and 10:30 AM. Our 10:30 service is also livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook. 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.

Sunday Mornings for Children and Youth

9:00 AM

Childcare

Youth, Percussion, & Hand Chime Ensemble (9:00 to 9:45)

Children & Youth Choir (9:45 to 10:15)

10:30 AM

Childcare

After the Children's Sermon: Godly Play Sunday School Pre-K through grade 4

Middle School Sunday School grade 5 through 8

High School Sunday School grade 9 through 12

***We are a Matthew 25 church, a More Light church, and Earth Care Congregation
See the Arkive E-newsletter for more information.***

Ministry Leaders
Liturgist – Bob Fuller
Beadle – Ryan Devers

DONATE ONLINE!

Or TEXT your donations! 410-983-3481

Text **give** to get started. Text **commands** for more options.

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