

# Clarendon Presbyterian Church

## and Church of the Covenant

### Joint Mission Worship

**Sunday, July 18 at 10:30am**



We are so glad to be worshipping together today!

Thank you to Covenant for hosting this joint worship of our two congregations.

Prelude The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Gilbert Martin)

Welcome and Announcements for July 18, 2021 Rev. Glenn Zuber (he/his)

- Save the Date! July 24, 2 pm: Visit to Black Heritage Museum of Arlington. RSVP Rev. Alice Rose Tewell to Blair at [clarendonmission@gmail.com](mailto:clarendonmission@gmail.com). Open to Clarendon and Covenant members. (she/hers)
- And...😊

### *Gathering and Preparing Our Hearts for Worship*

Call to Worship from Psalm 33

Mary Margaret Whipple (she/hers)

Add as the Lord looks down from heaven;

Our soul waits for the Lord;

**God sees all humankind.**

**God is our help and shield.**

From where the Lord sits enthroned God watches all the inhabitants of the earth—

Our heart is glad in the Lord,

**God who fashions the hearts of them all,  
and observes all their deeds.**

**Because we trust in God's holy name.**

Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,

**Even as we hope in you.**

Land and Labor Acknowledgement

Linda Moody (she/hers)

A land acknowledgement names the traditional Native inhabitants of the land you are in, in order to offer recognition and respect; to cultivate a deeper awareness of the history that has led to the present moment; and to create an opportunity for reflection on our responsibilities as descendants of that history. We acknowledge that we live and worship on the Native lands of the Piscataway, Nacotchtank, and Pamunkey peoples, among others, and we pay our respects to elders past and present, known and unknown. We also recognize that many inequities of money and power in the place we know as Arlington are based on past and present racial injustice, including the stolen labor of people of African descent.

Opening Hymn Precious Lord, Take My Hand, #834 David Palmer, Music Director (he/his)

Prayer of Confession

Linda Moody

**Holy One, accompany us no matter our state of mind; meet us, no matter the quality of our mood. Shore up our courage when we feel like we might surrender to life-draining patterns. Bolster our creativity when we feel stuck in old ways. Forgive us our stuck-ness and our surrender. Grant us your wisdom and Spirit to make new choices. In your steadfast name we pray, amen.**

Assurance of Grace, Forgiveness and Praise

Rev. Glenn Zuber

Hear the Good News!

Hope does not disappoint us,

for God's love has been poured into our hearts.

Giving us new courage, wisdom, and determination.

Thanks be to God!

Peace Song

Peace of God Be With You, #448

*Listening for God's Word For Us*

Ephesians 2:11-22

Mary Margaret Whipple

So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" — a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us.

He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father and Mother. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Rev. Alice Rose Tewell

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

*Responding in Reflection and Service*

Meditations

Rev. Glenn Zuber

Rev. Blair Moorhead (she/hers)

Hymn

It Is Well With My Soul, #840

Litany of Offerings

Rev. Alice Rose Tewell

God, you fashioned our hearts into spirits of love and compassion.

**May our offerings reflect the caring actions you intend for us.**

You tell us clearly who our neighbor is.

**May our offerings reflect the just actions you intend for us.**

We bring forward what is asked for by our community: gift cards, school supplies, diapers.

The needs for a safe and nurturing childhood.

**May our offerings reflect the communal bonds you intend for us.**

*(Bring up collected items)*

Knowing these are a small portion of what is needed, and that you call us to work for a world where all come together to meet the needs of all.

**May our offerings continue in word, action, and an ever-turning of our hearts.**

Doxology

In My Life Be Glorified, #468

Prayer of Dedication

Linda Moody

God, you remind us through the stories of your people and the commitments of your followers that when we come together we can listen and respond to the needs of our neighbors. May we show up to heed the call, may we show up to ask: what more can I do, and may we show up to challenge systems that create need and want, in unjust and uneven ways in our world. May these tokens of our care for our neighbors share hope among our siblings and ignite a spark to continue to be your beloved community. Amen.

Prayer Song

O Lord, Hear My Prayer, #840

Prayers of the People

Rev. Blair Moorhead

Holy God, you have promised to hear when we pray. Therefore in confidence and trust we pray for our world: *(time for spoken intercessions)*.

Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.

**That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.**

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

**Teach us to care creatively for its resources.**

We pray for the community: *(time for spoken intercessions)*.

**Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours. May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.**

We pray for those who need comfort and healing: *(time for spoken intercessions)*

God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer. **May they know the power of your healing love.**

We close in the words Jesus taught us:

**Creator, who 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 our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Reprise of O Lord, Hear My Prayer

Closing Hymn

The King of Love My Shepherd Is, #802

Benediction, Charge, and Passing of the Peace

Rev. Glenn Zuber

Rev. Blair Moorhead



Marc  
Chagall,  
*Green  
Violinist*,  
1923-1924

Marc Chagall, *The  
Deceased (Death)*,  
1913

