



**TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**October 25, 2020**

**Meditation**

Yes, Jesus,  
I want to be on your right side  
or your left side,  
not for any selfish reason.  
I want to be on your right side or your best side,  
not in terms of some political kingdom or ambition,  
but I just want to be there  
in love and justice and in truth  
and in commitment to others,  
so we can make of this old world a new world.

Martin Luther King, Jr. (1929-1968)

**PRELUDE**

Prelude and Fugue in C-sharp minor, BWV 849

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

**Gwendoline Hoch, piano**

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

*Due to the increased potential for airborne spread of COVID-19 while singing, congregational singing is not permitted at this time. Rather than singing, please consider participating in hymns and service music by listening and praying the words, lightly humming the tune, or meditating on the hymn texts during the Prelude, which is a time of preparation for worship.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

I was glad when they said unto me,  
Let us go into the house of the Lord!

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

## HYMN OF PRAISE 150

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
2. Come, lift your hearts on high; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, Be - fore His throne re - joice;  
He is our guide and friend; To us He'll con - de - scend;  
On heav-en's bliss - ful shore His good - ness we'll a - dore,

Praise is His gra-cious choice; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
His love shall nev - er end; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

## CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God,  
we confess to you and to one another,  
and to the whole communion of saints  
in heaven and on earth,  
that we have sinned by our own fault  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you  
with our whole heart, and mind, and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.  
We have not been true to the mind of Christ.

Have mercy on us, O God:  
forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be,  
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*Silent Prayer*

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

## SUNG PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Come and Fill our Hearts

Jacques Berthier

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a - lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.

Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no, al - le - lu - ia!  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al - le - lu - ia!

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

Lord, you have been our dwelling place<sup>[a]</sup>  
in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

You turn us<sup>[a]</sup> back to dust,  
and say, "Turn back, you mortals."

For a thousand years in your sight  
are like yesterday when it is past,  
or like a watch in the night.

You sweep them away; they are like a dream,  
like grass that is renewed in the morning;  
in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;  
in the evening it fades and withers.

Turn, O LORD! How long?

Have compassion on your servants!  
Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,  
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.  
Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us,

and as many years as we have seen evil.  
Let your work be manifest to your servants,  
and your glorious power to their children.  
Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,  
and prosper for us the work of our hands—  
O prosper the work of our hands!

**ANTHEM**

O How Amiable

Ralph Vaughan Williams  
(1872-1958)

*Sung by a quartet from the Sanctuary Choir of First & Franklin Presbyterian Church.*

O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts!  
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord.  
My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.  
Yea, the sparrow hath found her a house  
And the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:  
Even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, Creator, and my God.  
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house.  
They will be always praising thee.  
The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us;  
Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.  
O prosper thou our handiwork.

Psalms 84 and 90

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Isaac Watts

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 22:34-46

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. and a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

"The Lord said to my Lord,

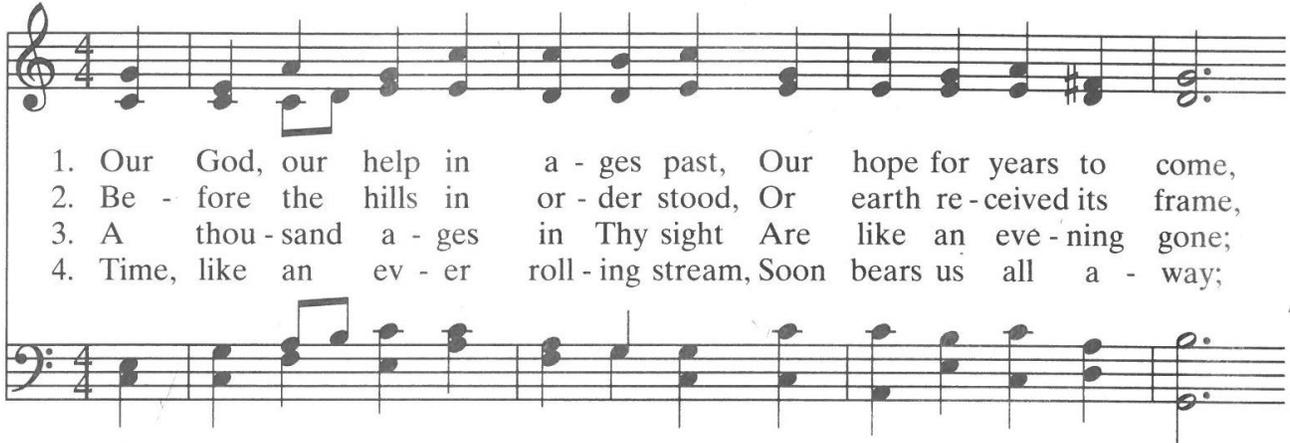
"Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet"?"

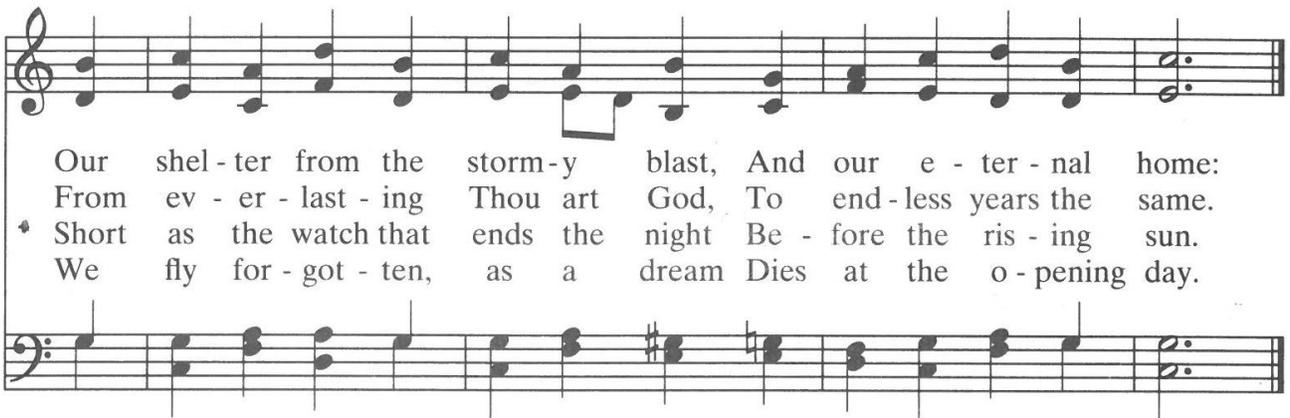
If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

**HYMN OF RESPONSE 210**

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past



1. Our God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,  
 2. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived its frame,  
 3. A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone;  
 4. Time, like an ev - er roll - ing stream, Soon bears us all a - way;



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:  
 From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.  
 \* Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.  
 We fly for - got - ten, as a dream Dies at the o - pening day.

5. Our God, our help in ages past,  
 Our hope for years to come,  
 Be Thou our guard while life shall last,  
 And our eternal home.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Please use the chat forum to enter your prayers and we will share those as a part of our communal worship.*

O God, in your mercy.  
**Hear our prayers.**

**PURPLE RIBBON LIST**

TBA

*Each ribbon represents a life lost to homicide in Baltimore City. We name them each week and hang a purple ribbon on the outside of Park Ave. to remind us to pray for the perpetrators of these acts of violence, and to remind us of our calling to challenge the systemic injustices of our time.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, 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 us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not  
into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
and the power,  
and the glory,  
forever. Amen.

## OFFERTORY

*See invitation to give in the Chat Box on Zoom and Facebook Live.*

*If you wish to give via Paypal, you will need to open a new tab on your browser.*

*If you need assistance please request help from either of our E-Ushers:*

*Allie Pyan alexandra.pyan@gmail.com or Sabrina Schlosser Schumann ssschuma@gmail.com*

*If you would like to give your offering by mail, please send to the church office at First & Franklin Presbyterian Church, 210 West Madison Street, Baltimore MD 21201. Offerings will be processed weekly.*

## AT THE OFFERTORY

Nocturne in B Major, Op. 32, No. 1

Frédéric Chopin  
(1810-1849)

Gwendoline Hoch, *piano*

## DOXOLOGY 591

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Phil Adams

Good and gracious God, throughout many generations you have been our shelter and a refuge from the storms of life. We sense your presence in our lives and along with this heightened awareness comes the ability to recognize you in each other and eventually the understanding that the whole world is a manifestation of your creative spirit and redemptive love. We bring our offerings in gratitude for this divine providence. We ask that you bless these gifts and send your spirit to move amongst us so that we use them wisely as we strive to create community, work for justice, and respond to each other with compassion. With Jesus as our guide and mentor, Amen.

## ORGAN INTERLUDE

*We ask that members and friends of First & Franklin remain with us for an important congregational meeting in the life of this church. If you are visiting or a guest, you may feel free to depart at the conclusion of the organ interlude.*

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Establishment of a Quorum & Call to Order with Prayer

Rev. Dr. Rob Hoch

Election of Officers & Nominating Committee

Representative of Nominating or Designated Officer

Motion to Dissolve the Pastoral Relationship with Rev. Dr. Hoch  
Felton

Rev. Dr. Phyllis

Vote on a Motion to Recommend to the Presbytery of Baltimore the Dissolution of Pastoral  
Relationship effective October 31, 2020.

Recognition of Rev. Hoch's Ministry with First & Franklin

John McLucas  
Sarah Lloyd  
Onyeka Anaedozie

Liturgy of Dissolution and Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Phyllis Felton

Let us pray for the saving presence of our living Lord:

In your world,  
**be present, Lord.**

In this congregation,  
**be present, Lord.**

In this community,  
**be present, Lord.**

In this presbytery and the whole church,  
**be present, Lord.**

In the homes and hearts of all your people,  
**be present, Lord.**

Let us pray for the mercy of the Lord:

For work begun but not completed,  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For expectations not met,  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For wounds not healed,  
**Lord have mercy.**

For gifts not shared,  
**Lord, have mercy.**

For promises not kept,  
**Lord, have mercy.**

Let us give thanks for our journey together in this place:

For friendships made,  
for joys celebrated  
and for times of nurture and growth,  
**thanks be to God.**

For wounds healed,  
expectations met,  
gifts given and promises kept,  
**thanks be to God.**

For our fellowship in Jesus Christ,  
and for the love of God, which has sustained us,  
**thanks be to God.**

Do you, the members and friends of First & Franklin Presbyterian Church release Rev. Dr. Rob Hoch from service as your pastor?

**We do with thanks to God.**

Do you, Rev. Dr. Hoch, recognize and accept the completion of your ministry with this congregation?

**I do with thanks to God.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Rev. Dr. Phyllis Felton

**God Be With You Till We Meet Again**

RANDOLPH

*Unison* *Harmony*

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain; Lov - ing coun - sels  
2. God be with you till we meet a - gain; Un - seen wings pro -  
3. God be with you till we meet a - gain; When life's per - ils  
4. God be with you till we meet a - gain; Keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, With a Shep-herd's care en - fold you:  
tect - ing hide you, Dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you:  
thick con - found you, Put un - fail - ing arms a - round you:  
float - ing o'er you, Smite death's threat-ening wave be - fore you:

*Unison*

God be with you till we meet a - gain.

## CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Rob Hoch

## POSTLUDE

Sonata No. 3 in F Major

George Frideric Handel  
(1685-1759)

1. Adagio

2. Allegro

**Imogen Hoch**, *violin*

## FELLOWSHIP (Online)

*Residential worshippers are invited to exit through the narthex following the postlude*

## Giving at First & Franklin Presbyterian Church

*The ministry of the First & Franklin Church depends on your generous giving, especially in these difficult times. Click the link to give your offering: [GIVE](#). Please consider using an “automatic payment” for your church giving, or mail your offering to the church office at 210 West Madison Street, Baltimore, MD 21201. Your gifts will be processed by the church office.*

### LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

**Rev. Rob Hoch**, *Pastor*

**Jason Kissel**, *Organist*

**Taylor Brooks**, *Tech Support*

### QUARTET

**Meredith Piplani**, *soprano*

**Sandra Smith**, *alto*

**Don Juedes**, *tenor*

**John McLucas**, *baritone*

*Pastor Rob's last day is October 31, 2020*

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

### LETTER FROM SESSION

Last week's announcement that Rob will be leaving us came at a difficult time. So much is already up in the air for so many of us: jobs, finances, major life decisions, plans for the holidays. It's painful to face disruptions in the church when for some of us, Sunday morning has been one of few constants.

We on the Session are surprised and sorry to see Rob and the rest of the Hoch family go. But we continue to believe that the church is the people--not the building and not, however beloved, the pastor. We wish Rob well in his future, and we've begun to plan for the church's future apart from him. That will begin with our Congregational Meeting following worship on October 25th.

We're lucky that the Presbytery has a well-defined and well-thought-out process for pastoral transition. Congregations have gone through this before us--and we've gone through this before--and emerged stronger for it. We have met with Rev. Susan DeWyngaert from the Commission on Ministry, and we feel that we have a capable guide in her as the Session determines next steps.

So please, stay with us as we begin to work through this transition. Reach out to us if you have concerns or questions: you can talk to any one of us directly, and we'll be circulating a written feedback form in case that's more comfortable for you. We believe that now is a time when all of us need spiritual sustenance more than ever. We promise that First and Franklin will continue to offer a place to come together in prayer and worship, whether virtually or in person, and that there is a place for you here.

Prayerfully,  
the Session of First & Franklin Presbyterian Church

### BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

Although the pandemic has severely limited our ability to say our goodbye with the Hoch family, we know that those tender ties are important. As they prepare to transition to the UK and the Church of Scotland, they would value your written notes of thanksgiving and well-wishes. While they don't have a set date of departure yet, they anticipate going to the UK sometime in mid to late November. Until then, their address in Baltimore is 1325 Park Avenue, Baltimore MD 21217. Or you can write to them at:

The Manor House  
Twiston  
Clitheroe  
Lancashire  
BB7 4DD  
United Kingdom

By the way, we know that Gwendoline, Imogen, Gabriel, and Iris have meant a lot to this community and will be missed. Children love handwritten notes so please consider sending the Hoch's a note as they embark on a new adventure.

## **PARTIAL REOPENING SERVICE INFORMATION (LIMIT 25 PEOPLE)**

Check-In: (begins at 10:00 a.m.)

Please consider your risk before you return to in person worship:

The risk of developing dangerous symptoms of COVID-19 may be increased in people who are older and also in people of any age who have other serious health problems — such as heart or lung conditions, weakened immune systems, severe obesity, or diabetes. This is similar to what is seen with other respiratory illnesses, such as influenza. While each of these serious health problem increases the risk of severe COVID-19 symptoms, people who have several of these underlying health problems are at even higher risk.

By participating in residential worship, you acknowledge that you do so at your own risk and agree to release the First & Franklin Presbyterian Church from liability to any illness associated with SARS-CoV-2.

Each person will need to answer the following set of questions:

Have you come into contact with any person known to have the COVID-19 virus in the past 14 days or do you have any symptoms of Covid-19? (If so, you will not be admitted into the building).

Do you have any of the following symptoms: (Anyone with symptoms will be asked to leave)

- Fever or chills
  - Body aches
  - Cough
  - Headache
  - Sore throat
  - Loss of taste of smell
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
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- Worship Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. Service will be approximately 1 hour.
  - Use Narthex for entry and exit.
  - Reservations will be required to attend services with a maximum occupancy of 25 people. Reservations must be in by 5:00 pm Friday evening prior to the service you'd like to attend (see reservation link below)
  - Seating will be on a First-Come-First-Serve basis.
  - Masks will be required and a supply of masks will be on hand for those who do not have one.
  - Sanitizing stations will be available at check-in in the Narthex.

Prayers of the People will be given verbally from your seat.

There will be an Offering Box in the rear of the Sanctuary(as you enter from the Narthex).

The bathroom in the Narthex will be monitored and no more than 2 people at one time will be in the space to allow for social distancing, with the exception of family members and/or caregivers.

Each worshipper will take a hermetically sealed cup and wafer when communion is served when they enter the narthex.

After the service has ended, Ushers will direct people to leave row by row beginning with the seats closest to the Narthex exit.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR OFFERINGS**

As we all recognize real concerns for our friends who will experience hardships through this disruption in regular routines, so too, we need to be mindful that your weekly contributions are critical to helping us maintain the financial obligations of the church. Payroll, mortgages, electricity and the rest are needs we must continue to cover, and your continued support of your pledges will be even more important while we are tele-worshipping. In addition to accepting your pledges by mail to the church office, we have recently added a PayPal link to the top of our new website which will allow us to process donations with this link: **GIVE**. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

### **ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS MARKET 2020**

#### **YIKES! IT'S OCTOBER ALREADY! THE PANDEMIC IS NOT STOPPING THE ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS MARKET**

In years past, the Alternative Christmas Market has been an opportunity to visit face to face with representatives from various social justice organizations, learn about their work, and donate money to support their services. In return for your donations, you would receive Christmas cards which could be sent to loved ones explaining the donation in their honor.

This year we will continue with cards, worthy causes, and shopping lists ONLINE! In November, you will receive order forms and information describing each organization by email. Please copy the order form and complete the form showing which organizations you wish to support and the how many cards for each organization you wish to purchase.

Send the completed form with a check to the church office by November 30. Members of the Peacemaking Committee will record your choices and email you the PDFs for the cards and inserts ordered. You will then be able to print the cards on 8 1/2" by 11" paper. We will give instructions on how to fold the card so envelopes are not needed. Thanks for your participation.

The Peacemaking Committee

## THE SPIRE SERIES

Do you know that First & Franklin has a YouTube page? There, you may view performances from the 2020 summer series of mini concerts, all recorded live in First & Franklin's sanctuary. You may also revisit last May's virtual piano marathon concert! Here is the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2QwYlynh7VYhxAYt-9cm2g>

You can also view the August Spire Series recordings on Facebook.

## MORNING PRAYER | 7:00am

Please join us online: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

Zoom Event Click: [MORNING PRAYER](#)

## FOOD PANTRY AT FIRST & FRANKLIN

**Our food pantry needs replenishing in light of increasing demand. If you have the resources to do so, please consider donating non-perishables (see list below) or financial contributions. Please also consider joining us on Saturdays from about 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

The word is getting out in our neighborhood that the First and Franklin Presbyterian Church has a pantry. When we arrive to open on Saturdays, we are now greeted by neighbors who are in need of food. The weekly count of bags has jumped from 3 to 18 and we expect the numbers to rise as government funds end.

In each grocery bag we pack food for breakfast, peanut butter and jelly (a good source of protein) for lunch, the makings for a balanced dinner such as beans and rice, pasta and sauce, canned meat, soup, vegetables, and fruit, and a paper good. If there is room left in the bag, we are now adding a little fun food, such as popcorn or cookies, for everyone enjoys a treat.

Contributions of shelf stable foods can be brought to Reid Chapel every Saturday between noon and 2:00 p.m. If shopping is difficult for you, monetary donations earmarked food pantry may be sent to the church and we will shop for you.

### Foods we are currently low in are:

Apple sauce, canned fruit and dried fruit

Rice and beans

Peanut butter and jelly

Cereal and canned or powdered milk

Tuna fish and canned meats

Spaghetti

Soup

Canned corn (and other vegetables)

Popcorn and cookies

Paper towels

Toilet paper

How else can you help? We need volunteers to help collect and distribute food every Saturday. Sabrina Schumann is coordinating the volunteers. You may reach her by email at [ssschuma@gmail.com](mailto:ssschuma@gmail.com) or phone 240-481-6929. You can also help by spreading the word to those you know who are facing food insecurity.

Thank you,

The Peacemaking Committee

## **DID YOU MISS A SUNDAY?**

Or did you want to re-visit a particular sermon from our congregational life?

Please visit: [Sermons](#)

## **NEED TECH HELP? OR SOME EXTRA SUPPORT AROUND ACCESSING OUR ONLINE SERVICES?**

Please call Taylor Brooks and he'll set up a time to visit with you about your tech needs. His contact information is below:

Taylor Brooks, Audio Engineer/Electronic Gizmo Wunderkind

Contact by phone or email: 336-341-2294

[asoundresource@gmail.com](mailto:asoundresource@gmail.com)

## **MARYLAND VOTING**

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Maryland will mail an absentee ballot application to every registered voter. You can also vote in person. Maryland offers early voting.

### **Vote in person**

Vote on Election Day

Voters registered in Maryland can look up where to vote on [Maryland's site](#).

### **Vote early**

Maryland voters can also vote before Election Day. The early voting period runs from Monday, October 26, 2020 to Monday, November 2, 2020, but dates and hours may vary based on where you live.

### **What to bring**

If you've voted in Maryland before, you don't need to provide ID to vote.

If you're a first-time voter who registered by mail, and didn't provide a copy of your Maryland driver's license, state or federal ID card, MVA ID card, student, employee, or military ID, or a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or government document that shows your name and address when you registered, you may need to show one of these documents to vote.

Voters without ID: If you are unable to provide ID, you will be able to vote a provisional ballot. For your ballot to count, you must provide ID to your local board of elections before 10 am on the 2nd Wednesday after election day.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: [Click Maryland Votes](#)

## Prayers from 10/11/2020

Prayers for Alec MacGillis' father, Donald, who passed away after a tragic hiking accident.

Prayers for Diane Newman who is undergoing surgery this week.

Prayers for clarity and insight to Session, Rob and the congregation as we navigate Rob's departure.

Prayers for Donna Davis and Andrea Boseman whose mother Rita Odell passed away suddenly in NC. [SJ Oliver]

Prayers of thanks to Grace Hughes for haring her gifts with us. [Jill]

Continued prayers for those of us still dealing with the death of Mrs. Penn. [Onyeka]

Open arms and open hearts to the Hoch family. [Maggy]

Prayers of thanks for the bounty that provided enough food to share 36 bags of food to our greater community last weekend. [Sabrina]

Thanksgiving for the quartet, this week and others, who have shared the gift of music with us. [Randy]

Prayers of gratitude for all creatures, great and small and for comfort to John McLucas after losing his dear dog, Renzo. [Jason]

Prayers for the Hochs and the children of F&F as they adjust to the news of the departure of the Hoch children. [Onyeka]

Deep thanks for the quartets and Jason who safely gather on Thursdays to record the music for the service.

Prayers for a dear friend Marilyn with a huge health burden and who has just taken her husband Dave to the hospital with pneumonia and Alzheimers. [Maggy]

Prayers for Sandra Heningburg who will undergo a second eye surgey. [SJ Oliver]

Prayers to the Mt. Vernon community. [Randy]

Prayers for Beth Seeley's Mom (91 years old) as she continues to heal.

Prayers of thanksgiving for all those who continue to make regular contributions to the church in order to sustain our staff, buildings and missions. [Beth]

Prayers of thanks for the birthdays of Sarah Lloyd (Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>), Gwendoline (Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>), Gary Norris (Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>) and Anjal Amin (Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>).

**Prayers from 10/18/2020**

Thanksgiving for Morning Prayers. All are invited to join us at 7:00 AM to pray for our church, our nation and our world. [Becca]

Prayers for our nephew who is having brain surgery. [Corena & Bill]

Prayers for two warriors for social and environmental justice who passed away. Betty Gorman Robinson in Baltimore and Cecil Mark in NYC. [Scot]

Praying for the Native Americans in ND and SD whose states have some of the highest Covid rates in the country. [Marla]

Prayers to the Mt. Vernon community and food pantry volunteers who distributed 28 bags of food for those in need. Also, to the people who make food donations for the cause every week. [Randy]

Prayers for several members of our sister church in Cuba who are in quarantine and awaiting test results. [Betty]