



# Abbott

Memorial Presbyterian Church

November 17 , 2024

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"To preach Christianity meant (to the Apostles) primarily to preach the Resurrection... The Resurrection is the central theme in every Christian sermon reported in the Acts. The Resurrection, and its consequences, were the 'gospel' or good news which the Christians brought." (C.S. Lewis, Miracles)

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**To those joining us in person and online today...THANK YOU!**

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, Abbott Church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Para todos los que están espiritualmente agotados y anhelan descanso; para todos los que buscan consuelo; para todos los que luchan batallas y desean victoria; para todos los que pecan y necesitan un Salvador; para todos los que son extraños y quieren comunidad; para todos los que tienen hambre y sed de justicia; y para todos los que quieren venir, la Iglesia Abbott abre ampliamente sus puertas y les ofrece bienvenida en el Nombre de nuestro Rey Jesús Cristo.*

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**HOW CAN I SERVE THE LORD AT ABBOTT?**

**Prayerfully consider where you can serve the Lord here at Abbott.**

**Sign-up sheets are in the narthex** to serve on a specific Sunday(s). We will begin posting the next week's servers in the bulletin and weekly emails. These are important ways to serve our Lord and the body here. Questions? Please contact Debbie or Pastor Chris.

- **Special Prayer Team** (*pray with individuals right after the service*)
- **Preparing Communion** (*prepare trays before the service*)
- **Greeter** (*greet individuals in the narthex before the service*)
- **Sunday School Assistant** (*for children - helpers and assistants in training*)

**We Care Bags-** Please consider purchasing some of the items listed below and place in the We Care Box in the foyer to serve those need in our community. Canned food items w/ pop top opener, peanut butter, ramen noodles in a cup, granola bars, tooth brush and paste, bar of soap, hand sanitizer, winter hat, socks, gloves. You can leave items in the kitchen or in the box in narthex.

**Driver to help pick up grad students in the Harbor East-Fells Point area.** If you can help with picking up students in this area of the city for worship around 10:15 AM on Sunday mornings please contact Pastor Chris. We are trying to serve this area where many international students live.

**Salaam Center Tutoring Needs:** Our ministry partners a block away from Abbott have a tutoring program twice a month on Saturdays fro 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. (next date is 1/27) and are in need of tutors and transportation helpers as they minister to recent refugees from the Middle East. If you are interesting in serving, please contact Yoonah by email at [volunteersalaam@gmail.com](mailto:volunteersalaam@gmail.com).

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**The tear-off portion of the bulletin** can be put in the offering plate with prayer request to let us know how we may serve you, or just to let us that you were here.

## **GREETING AND GOD'S WELCOME**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

## **PRAYER FOR THE LORD'S PRESENCE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Please stand if you are able)*

*Psalm 16:5-11*

Leader: <sup>5</sup> Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup;  
you make my lot secure.

People: <sup>6</sup> **The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
surely I have a delightful inheritance.**

Leader: <sup>7</sup> I will praise the Lord, who counsels me;  
even at night my heart instructs me.

People: <sup>8</sup> **I keep my eyes always on the Lord.  
With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.**

Leader: <sup>9</sup> Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;  
my body also will rest secure,

People: <sup>10</sup> **because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead,  
nor will you let your faithful one see decay.**

Together: <sup>11</sup> **You make known to me the path of life;  
you will fill me with joy in your presence,  
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.**

**SONG OF PRAISE**

*House of the Lord*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH**

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**SONG OF PRAISE**

Resurrecting

**MISSION MOMENT** - Miseker Wingate (Youth For Christ- Baltimore)

**PRAYERS FOR THE YOUTH OF OUR CHURCH AND CITY**

**OFFERING** *The offering is a way for members and friends of Abbott Church to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give.*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**SCRIPTURE FOR THE SERMON** *1 Corinthians 15:1-28 (pew Bible, p. 1142)*

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup> and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup> For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

<sup>12</sup> Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup> But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. <sup>14</sup> And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. <sup>15</sup> We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified

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about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. 16 For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. 17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 21 For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. 23 But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. 24 Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death. 27 For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. 28 When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Rev. Chris Garriott

The Event That Changes Everything (Clues for Faith)

## **CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*Communion, also called the Lord's Supper, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ to participate. If you are not a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.*

## **CONFESSION OF SIN (Together):**

*Psalms 79:8, 9*

**"Do not remember against us our former iniquities; let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake!"**

*(Silently confess your sins.)*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*Romans 4:2, 3*

"For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the Scripture say? Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness."

## **INVITATION TO THE TABLE**

## **DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS**

## **SONG OF RESPONSE**

*Graves into Gardens*

## **BENEDICTION**

*Those who desire special prayer may come to the front left of the chapel after the service.*







## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

**Giving Envelopes** are on the table in the Narthex for weekly tithes and offering; deacons offering is on the first Sunday of each month.

**Online giving through Fluid Pay:** You can set up recurring or one-time gifts to Abbott at [abbottchurch.org/giving](http://abbottchurch.org/giving) and designate your gift for the General Fund, Deacons Fund, or Ministry Renewal (especially raising money for a Youth Minister).

### **SUNDAY:**

**Worship Service** at 10:45 a.m. in the sanctuary.

**Women's Bible Class** on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in Room 7.

**Sunday school youth & pre-school classes:** Pre-school & K in the church library with Jeanette Beaudry; grades 1-6 in Room 8 with Ann Pfeifer.

**Spanish for English Speakers**, taught by Blanca Tapahuasco, will follow the worship service in Room 8 from 12:45-1:45 p.m.

### **TUESDAY:**

**Armistead Gardens Group Discovery Bible Study**, every other Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. (next study is next Tuesday, 11/12). See or text/call Leo Maxey at 301-848-1604.

**Neighborhood Bible Study & Pizza** group meets at noon in the library on Eastern Avenue with friends we have been getting to know.

### **WEDNESDAY:**

**Zoom Noonday Prayer**, 12:00-12:30 p.m. A link to the meeting is in the weekly email from Pastor Chris, or email [julius@abbottchurch.org](mailto:julius@abbottchurch.org) for a link or to submit prayer requests. You can join in at any time during the half hour.

**Youth For Christ East Baltimore** at 6:30 p.m. in the Abbott Gym and Room 8. Misiker and Mikala Wingate are on staff and are wonderful servants of Christ. If you are interested in being a volunteer to help them serve the Youth here in East Baltimore, contact Misiker at 443-949-4129.

### **THURSDAY:**

**Bible Study** at 11:30 a.m. in room 8, using the book They Walked with God: 40 Bible Characters Who Inspire Us, by Max Lucado.

**Community Group** at Abbott at 6:30 p.m. in the yard or in Room 8. Join us for food, fellowship, and a Discovery Bible study and prayer.

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## **FRIDAY:**

**AA Meetings** - 7pm in rooms 7&8, led by Jim Younger, lasting one hour.

## **SATURDAY:**

**Tutoring Classes by Blanca Tapahuasco** - Blanca is a professional bilingual tutor and a neighbor in Highlandtown with a heart for Christian based education tutoring. She is holding Saturday afternoon classes here in Room 8. You may know a person/family in need of these services:

- English Classes for families with children ages 5-8 from 12-1pm
- Math/ELA Classes for families of middle schoolers for English speakers from 1:15-2:15 pm

To register, contact Blanca Tapahuasco at [blancatapa@yahoo.com](mailto:blancatapa@yahoo.com) or call 443-531-9082.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Community Thanksgiving Feast on Thanksgiving Day.** Please consider how you can be part of this great tradition of serving our neighbors: Set-up (11am - noon), serving (noon - 2pm), clean-up (2pm - 3pm). Monetary gifts for the dinner are also welcome. Envelopes for Thanksgiving Dinner donations are in the narthex. If you would like to volunteer to help prepare, serve, or clean up, or if you have any questions, see or call Ann Pfeifer at 443-527-0124. You can also use the tear-off portion of the bulletin to volunteer.

**Baltimore Children's Choir** - Christmas concerts on Saturday, December 14th, at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

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## **MISSIONARIES AND MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT:**

- Andy and Bev Warren with MTW in Ethiopia
- Jason and Liz Polk with MTW in Ethiopia
- Bert and Nancy Williams with MTW in Uganda
- Br^ce & P@t with MTW in Europe
- Jacob Jasin with RUF-I at Johns Hopkins University
- Trip Beans with RUF at University of Maryland Baltimore County
- Ryan Bratt with RUF at University of Maryland College Park
- Abbott Center for the Arts

## HE HEARS

*"This is the assurance we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us."* — 1 JOHN 5:14

### **Please pray for:**

- Pastor Chris and the church, for God to show us how to draw visitors and seekers to Abbott.
- Family members and friends who are not walking with Christ.
- Ongoing health concerns for these members and friends: Larry Halterman, Phyllis Brown, Billie Mitchell, David Files, Lorraine Sapp, Violet Flynn
- Cleo Garriott (Pastor Chris' mother) and her husband, Charles, as he tends to her caregiving.
- Anadia Bonnick, for full recovery of cancer and no side effects from the five weeks of out-patient radiation treatments.
- Ben Flynn (Jerel's 6-year-old grandson) and family. Praise the Lord that Ben is in remission! No leukemia cells were found in his bone marrow biopsy, so Ben began his next phase of treatment: 28 days which will include two types of chemotherapy and other medications. Continue to pray for Ben, as he has about two years of treatment to go.
- Dawn Brewer with knee and back pain, and cellulitis.
- Barb Huhn for good blood work test results, and to regain her strength and return to us soon.
- Kathy Williams (Guy Williams' wife) with liver disease.
- Lydia Frasca with pain from stage 4 cancer, and Dave as he cares for her.
- Lawrence Choate for heart failure and an embolism.
- Joann Choate, battling stage 4 cancer.

*(Prayer list continued on p.13)*

**Please pray for (continued):**

- Walter Karczmarek, for continued healing and strength, and for Dave as he cares for his father.
- Bible Study Group on Tuesdays at the library on Eastern Avenue with neighborhood friends we have met over the past several months.
- Leo Maxey's Discovery Bible Study small group in the Edison neighborhood.
- Tutoring classes by Blanca Tapahuasco, Saturday afternoons in room 8.
- Latino neighbors and the house church ministry of Bill and Aida Medina.
- Peace in the Middle East.
- Missionaries that we support, listed on page 12.
- Those in our military, police, and fire departments.
- Leaders in our community, City, State, and Nation.





## Welcome to Abbott.

We're glad we worshiped  
with you today!

November 17, 2024

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CITY/STATE/ZIP

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## How may we serve you?

(please check the appropriate box)

- I am a visitor
- I would like to find out about how  
to become a Christian
- I am interested in membership  
*(Abbott schedules classes regularly)*
- I would like a call from the pastor
- I would like prayer
- I would like to join a  
community group
- My contact information has changed

## Contacts

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