



# Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 9, 2022

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

God, when you have spoken to our hearts  
it has given us joy.  
We are grateful.  
So we listen again.

Bless us, that we may receive, be changed, and serve you. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Vince Leseney

What wondrous gifts our Creator has given us!

**God, we are in awe, and we praise you!**

What amazing love Christ has offered us

**Christ, we are healed, we are changed, and we thank you!**

What blessings and powers the Holy Spirit has given us!

**You have given us new life! We turn to you in gratitude,  
to give you our thanks and praise, to give you our lives!**

\*SONG OF PRAISE

This is the Day The Lord Has Made

Hymnal, No. 681

\*CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Compassionate Christ,  
you send us to cure the sick,  
but we blame the sick for their choices.  
You ask us to restore the unclean,  
but we separate them into high risk pools.  
You compel us to raise the dead,  
but we insist some are beyond help.  
In your patient and persistent mercy,  
forgive us, O Lord.  
Teach us to heal without condition  
and help without limitation.  
Enable us to love one another as you love us,  
that as recipients of unmerited grace,  
we may freely shower care upon all people.  
(Time of silent reflection)**

Believe the good news of the gospel:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, healed, and made whole.**

\*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory To God

Hymnal, No. 582

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Tim Thiessen

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

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The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalms 66:1-12

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

**sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.**

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

**All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name." Selah**

Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

**He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There we rejoiced in him,**

who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations— let the rebellious not exalt themselves. Selah

**Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,**

who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.

**For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.**

You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;

**you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.**

ANTHEM

Give Thanks

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:11-19

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The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Let Us Give Thanks

Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH

O Christ, the Healer

Hymnal, No. 793

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Philemon 2:5-11

**God of abundance, we thank you for your gifts!  
You have created all things by your Word,  
and created us in your image.  
We are in awe, and full of wonder.**

**Christ, our healer, teacher and savior, we thank you for your gifts.  
You have gathered us into a community of hope and compassion.  
You have given us your blessing  
and offered to us your wisdom.  
You have filled us with your Spirit and your love.  
You died for us, and rose that we too might die and rise in faith.  
So we follow you with trust and gratitude.**

**Holy Spirit, you give us gifts with which to serve God and our neighbors.  
You make us into one body by the grace of your presence,  
with the power to forgive.  
Trusting in the mystery of resurrection and your presence within us,  
we devote ourselves to you, Holy One,  
in courage and compassion.  
And in all things, we thank you!  
Thank you! Thank you! Amen.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response... God our Savior, **hear our prayer.**  
The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

\*DEDICATION PRAYER

### **FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG Now Thank We All Our God

Hymnal, No. 643

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

\*POSTLUDE

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

**Lectionary Readings** for October 16: Jeremiah 31:27-34 and Psalm 119:97-104; Genesis 32:22-31 and Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

The Food & Shelter item of the month for **October is dry beans, bags of rice and powdered milk. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.**

**Hearing-assistance** devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head usher.

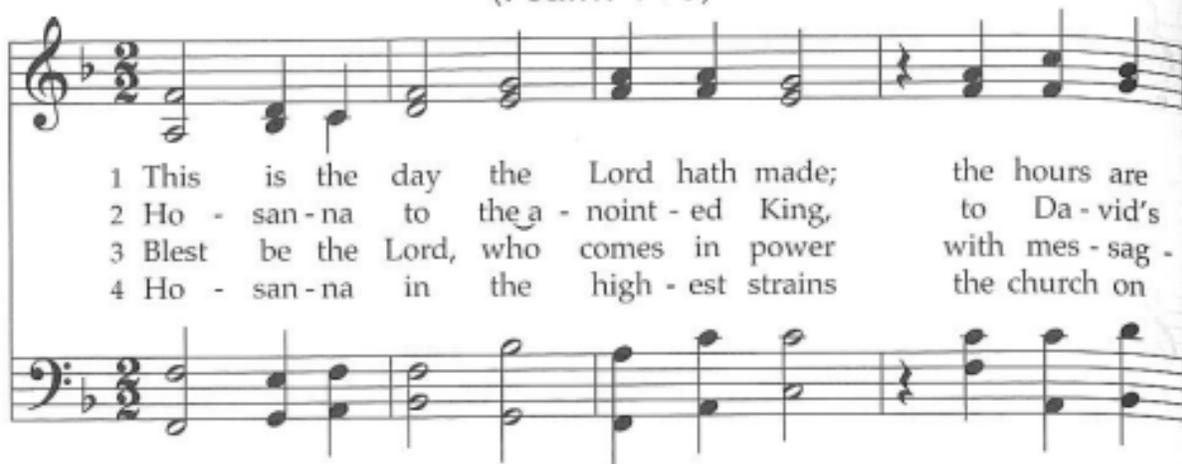
**Thank you, thank you, thank you!** After the desperate plea, we have had several offers to help with Kids Club! We will begin October 12. We could still use a few folks who could substitute on occasion, so if you're willing, let Tracy know!

**CROP WALK - SUNDAY OCTOBER 16**

If you are planning to walk and have lunch at the church before hand, please use the signup sheet in the hallway or text me (405-830-8389) not later than Friday, October 14. ALL ARE WELCOME

# 681 This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made

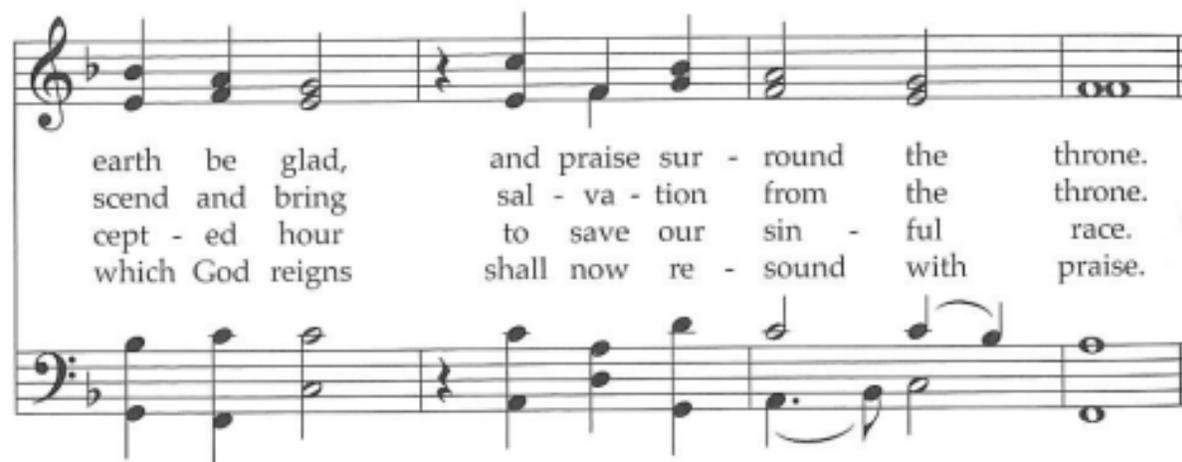
(Psalm 118)



1 This is the day the Lord hath made; the hours are  
2 Ho - san - na to the a - noint - ed King, to Da - vid's  
3 Blest be the Lord, who comes in power with mes - sag -  
4 Ho - san - na in the high - est strains the church on



all God's own. Let heaven re - jice; let  
ho - ly Son! Help us, O Lord; de -  
es of grace, who comes in this ac -  
earth can raise! The high - est heavens in



earth be glad, and praise sur - round the throne.  
scend and bring sal - va - tion from the throne.  
cept - ed hour to save our sin - ful race.  
which God reigns shall now re - sound with praise.

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## O Christ, the Healer



1 O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to pray for  
 2 From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies  
 3 How strong, O Lord, are our de - sires, how weak our  
 4 In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we rec - og -  
 5 Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com -



health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to  
 clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we  
 knowl - edge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those  
 nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -  
 mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -



be re - stored when reached by love that nev - er ends?  
 would con - fess that whole - ness is our deep - est need.  
 heal - ing truths un - con - scious pride re - sists or shelves.  
 clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?  
 rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

# 643 Now Thank We All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,

who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:

who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way  
and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.  
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.  
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.