### **Memorial Presbyterian Church**

#### SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2025

#### **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

Holy God,

through signs of grace you reveal your glory to all the world.

Open our eyes to the hidden and surprising wonders you perform, that we may believe with our minds and trust in our hearts

that you alone are Lord of all creation.

Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE Dr. Kimberly Jensen

BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! May all people take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

We feast on the abundance of your house, and you give us drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life;

in your light we see light.

Let us worship God.

\*SONG OF PRAISE

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Hymnal, No. 39

#### \*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Let us pray together:

You have blessed us with a variety of gifts, Holy God, but we are reluctant to share. We hoard what is most valuable and make excuses for ourselves when called to share. The Spirit has blessed each of us uniquely, but we hide our light under a bushel and fail to rise to our potential. God, forgive us and embolden us. Help us to claim our gifts and put them to good use. Amen.

(Time of silent reflection)

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

\*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

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

World without end, without end. Amen (x3)

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Charlotte Lovett

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

I Corinthians 12:1-11

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSIVE PSALM** 

Psalm 36:5-10

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

John 2:1-11

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE They Have No Wine

Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace Hymnal, No. 302

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil,

(from A Brief Statement of Faith)

delivering us from death to life eternal.

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

To Ruling Elder: Karen Girdner

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

There are varieties of gifts,

but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God,

but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way,

but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

I Cor. 12:4-7, 27

To each is given a gift of the Spirit

to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION** 

WELCOME AND CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal, p. 35

Please pray the Lord's Prayer in the language and wording most familiar to you.

THE OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal, No. 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*SENDING SONG Called As Partners in Christ's Service Hymnal, No. 761

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

\*POSTLUDE

Much of today's liturgy comes from the Presbyterian Outlook, written by Teri McDowell Ott and provided for free distribution.

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 January 26: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21.

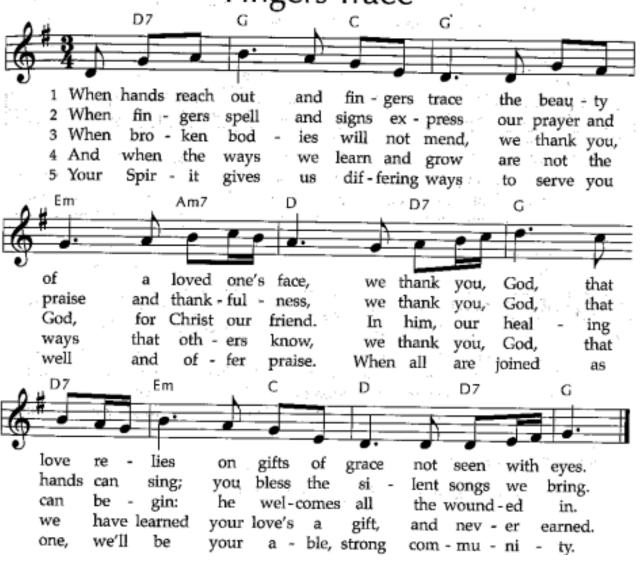
The Food & Shelter items of the month for January are sandwich crackers and granola bars. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

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





# When Hands Reach Out and 302 Fingers Trace



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