



# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 29, 2013

*Let all who enter enjoy the fellowship of friends until the bells call us to worship.  
Let us then, in oneness of spirit, turn our reverent attention to the worship of God.*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Loving God, giver of all good gifts, you have created us for life together, and in Christ you have revealed to us that the true riches of faith are good works, generosity, and a desire to serve. Strengthen us this day to pursue all righteousness, godliness, and love with perseverance and gentleness, that we may take hold of the life that is really life, and dwell with you eternally. Amen.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*The Church of Christ in Every Age*

Healey Willan

### BRINGING THE LIGHT

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

We worship the God who inhabits our world and who dwells in our lives.

**We need not look up to find God, we need only look around, within ourselves, beyond ourselves, and in the eyes of another.**

We need not listen for distant thunder to find God, we need only listen to the music of life, the words of children, the rhythm of a heart beat.

**We worship the God who inhabits our world and who faithfully dwells in our lives.**

Let us worship God together.

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of justice and righteousness,  
You lift up the lowly and fill the empty,  
yet we adore the high and the mighty.  
You reach out to the poor,  
yet we ceaselessly pursue wealth.  
You talk about treasure in heaven,  
yet we want dollars in our accounts right now.  
Forgive our lack of generosity.  
Heal our misguided ways.  
Cleanse us from the assumption that all that matters  
is what we have and what we can get.  
Change our hearts so that we can tend to the things that matter,  
and find our life in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*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

*Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

LUYH 114

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

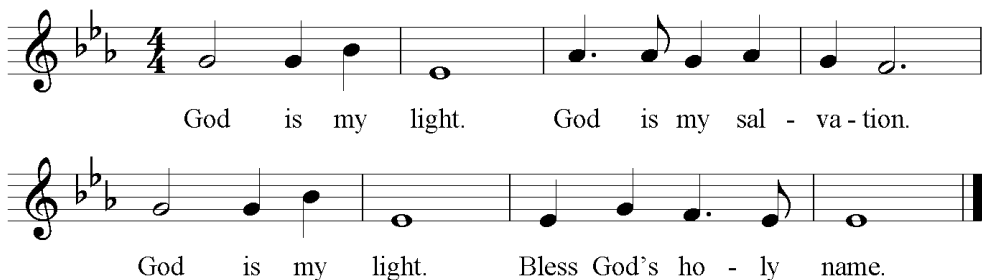
Psalm 91

Michael Yeager, cantor

Hal H. Hopson

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**Refrain**



God is my light. God is my sal - va - tion.  
 God is my light. Bless God's ho - ly name.

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I Timothy 6:6-19

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Luke 16:19-31

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*A Canon of Praise*

MESSAGE

*Perspective*

Tracy L. Evans

SONG OF FAITH

*The Church of Christ in Every Age*

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SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 16

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Prélude in D major*

Louis Vierne

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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DEDICATION PRAYER

## FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG	<i>Live Into Hope</i>	332
*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD		
*CHARGE AND BLESSING CHORAL BENEDICTION	<i>Dance with the Spirit</i>	
*POSTLUDE	<i>Praeludium in E minor</i>	Nicolaus Bruhns

\*Those who are able may stand.

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 6: Lamentations 1:1-6; Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10.

**The Urban Mission item** of the month for September is **peanut butter**. The item for October will be canned corn. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

**Ushers** for today's service are Tim and Jona Thiessen.

We will have a **Pet Blessing** today at 4:00 P.M. in the courtyard. Bring your four-legged/winged/slithering family members to be blessed and meet your Memorial PC family, and stay for refreshments. Invite your neighbors, too! Neighbors may run free, but pets must be leashed or caged.

Please join us on Tuesday, 5:45-7:15 P.M., for **National Night Out**, part of a nation-wide effort to strengthen communities. We will have games for the children, a welcome table, ice cream floats, and cookies and pop corn. The fire and police departments will be present to talk about community awareness.

**SUNDAY**

**September 29**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 4:00 P.M. – Blessing of the Pets
- 5:00 P.M. – Memorial Youth Group

**TUESDAY**

**October 1**

- 5:45-7:15 P.M. – National Night Out

**WEDNESDAY**

**October 2**

- 3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club
- 4:15 P.M. – Confirmation Class
- 5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir
- 7:00 P.M. – Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY**

**October 3**

- 10:00 A.M. – Serve at Food for Friends
- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

**SUNDAY**

**October 6**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service—Communion