



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 17, 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

*O God, our Redeemer, all creation sings your praise! You are justice and mercy,
judgment and grace. Following our Lord Jesus Christ, we seek to be faithful,
ever sustained by your Spirit, that we might stand blameless at the last
with Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old* Folk melody

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.

**Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
your greatness, O God, is unsearchable.**

You fulfill the desire of all who fear you;
you hear their cries and save them.

**My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord,
and bless your holy name forever and ever.**

Let us worship God!

*SONG OF PRAISE *My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of peace we confess we are a people of fear.
We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our nights.
We have been distracted by nerves and focused on tension.
We confess we have ignored your command to not be afraid.
Forgive us, O God.
Calm our hearts, settle our stomachs,
and renew in us the ability to find our comfort in you. 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 *Glory Be to the Father*

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Doug Forsyth

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

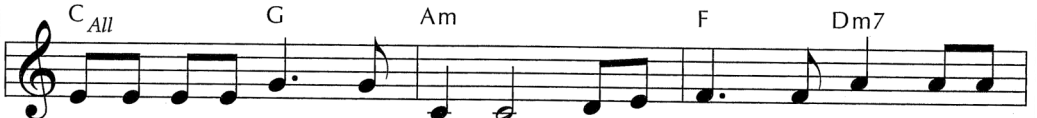
PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 12:2-6

Lucy Lanning, cantor

Refrain



Sure-ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be a -

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fraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my sure de -

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fense, and God will be my Sav - ior.

Isaiah 65:17-25

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

How Can I Keep from Singing?

MESSAGE

The Distance Between

Tracy L. Evans

SONG OF FAITH

Isaiah the Prophet Has Written of Old

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SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 16

THE OFFERING

Worshippers are invited to come forward to place their offerings and their pledge cards in the basket on the communion table. The ushers will pass offering plates in the pews for those unable to come forward.

OFFERTORY

Intermezzo

Josef Rheinberger

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

Lead On, O King Eternal

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE

Carillon

Louis Vierne

*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 November 24: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Luke 1:68-79; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43.

The Urban Mission item of the month for November is **peanut butter**. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

Ushers for today's service are Charlotte Lovett and Holly Van Auken.

Please stay after worship for a brief **congregational meeting** for the purpose of electing officers to the class of 2016.

You are invited to join us for a **Thanksgiving lunch** today after the service.

Please join us at Warren Theater on November 24 for a **Sunday at the movies**. We will attend the 3:35 showing of the film, *12 Years a Slave*, meeting in the lobby at 3:15 P.M. The movie gives an unflinching account of the true story of Solomon Northrup, a free man living in Saratoga Springs, New York, who was kidnapped and spent a dozen years as a slave in the South, wrongly accused of being a Georgia runaway. Though it takes place in times past, the film raises issues regarding the state of the nation's race relations. Following the viewing of the film, we will adjourn to Freddy's for conversation and ice cream.

SUNDAY**November 17**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 12:00 P.M. – Congregational Lunch
- 5:30 P.M. – Stewardship meeting

WEDNESDAY**November 20**

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

THURSDAY**November 21**

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

SUNDAY**November 24**

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