



# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2014

*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

*Almighty God, Jesus, our risen Lord, was made known to the disciples in the breaking of the bread. Open the eyes of our hearts that we may recognize his presence, and with his disciples cry, "The Lord has risen, indeed!" Through Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*I Will Arise and Go to Jesus*  
*(see text at hymn no. 415)*

Mark Hayes

### BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

God's promise is for us, and for all:

**Repent, be baptized,  
and receive the Holy Spirit.**

Christ's calling is to us, and to all:

**Take and eat this bread;  
go and share the good news.**

\*SONG OF PRAISE

*Standing on the Promises*

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\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Living God, we confess  
that we look for the living among the dead.  
You speak to us through your living Word,  
but we refuse to listen.  
You feed us with the bread of life,  
but we hunger for other things.  
Forgive us; give us new life!  
Lead us to repent and remember  
the promise of our baptism:  
the life that death cannot destroy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

\*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

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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Luke 24:13-35

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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MESSAGE

*Open Your Eyes*

Tracy L. Evans

ANTHEM

*I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*

PUBLIC PROFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, p. 35

Welcome

**....With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Be Thou My Vision*

Craig Phillips

\*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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DEDICATION PRAYER

**SEALING THE WORD - CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

COMMUNION SONG *Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread*

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INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

...Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

*Adagio in A-flat*

Felix Mendelssohn

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*SENDING SONG                      *Great God of Every Blessing*                      694

\*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION      *Everyone Who Longs  
For the Boundless Love of God*

\*POSTLUDE                      *March from Sonata Breve*                      *Gerald Near*

\*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 May 11: Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10.

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

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

**Ushers** for today's service are the Upton family.

**Communion servers** for today's service are Mike and Joan Cole, Lucy Lanning, and Jim Rodriguez.

Today, the **confirmation class** will be assisting in worship, as well as making their profession of faith. Following worship, there will be a time to greet our six newest members at a reception in Fellowship Hall.

Please pick up your **contribution statement** in the narthex after worship.

**Parents Helping Parents** will meet on Thursday, May 8 at 7:00 P.M. at the Education Center at Norman Regional Hospital, located at 901 North Porter in Norman. For more information, call 278-1221 or go to the website: [ParentsHelpingParents.info](http://ParentsHelpingParents.info)

**SUNDAY****May 4**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service – Communion
- 12:00 P.M. – Reception for Confirmation Class

**MONDAY****May 5**

- 6:30 P.M. – Worship & Music meeting

**WEDNESDAY****May 7**

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

**THURSDAY****May 8**

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library
- 7:00 P.M. – Chancel Choir

**SUNDAY****May 11**

- 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