



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

January 25, 2015

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*The present form of this world is passing away.
Therefore, help us to keep our focus on you, Lord,
for true power and steadfast love belong to you. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Robert Hobby

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

From God comes my salvation.

For God alone my soul waits in silence.

God alone is my rock and my salvation.

God is my fortress; I shall never be shaken.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Here in This Place

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GATHER US IN

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Forgiving God,

we repent of all the ways we turn from you.

You call, but we do not listen;

you show us your path, but we prefer our own way.

Forgive us, heal us, and lead us back to you,

that we might show mercy to others.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

...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 Be to the Father

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 62

In Silence My Soul Thirsts

Hymn 790

verses – Vince Leseney; refrain – congregation

Mark 1:14-20

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Lord of All Hopefulness

Healey Willan

MESSAGE

It's Not About the Fish

Tracy L. Evans

***SONG OF FAITH**

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

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PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

What does our creation in God's image
reflect about God's reality?

**Our being created in and for relationship
is a reflection of the Holy Trinity.**

**In the mystery of the one God,
the three divine persons—
Father, Son and Holy Spirit—
live in, with and for one another eternally
in perfect love and freedom.**

*Adapted from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Study Catechism,
Question 17*

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Song without Words (Faith)
Lieder ohne Worte, Op. 102, No. 6

Felix Mendelssohn

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*
DEDICATION PRAYER

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FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*
CWM RHONDDA

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE
CHORAL BENEDICTION *Songs of Praises*

*POSTLUDE *Carillon*
24 Pièces en style libre, Op. 31, No. 21

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 February 1: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28.

The **Urban Mission item** of the month for January is **peanut butter and crackers**. 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 Kirk and Jessica Forthman.

Please pick up your **contribution statement** in the narthex following the service.

Our **Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held in Fellowship Hall following worship on Sunday, February 1. Please join us as we review 2014 and conduct important business for 2015. We also will be having a "Soup-er Bowl Sunday" soup pot luck. Look for the sign-up sheet in the hallway for those bringing soup, bread, crackers or dessert.

As part of the **ecumenical prayer cycle**, we ask you to pray for a particular region of the world each week. This week we pray for Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. We give thanks for the rich and varied heritage of the churches, large and small, in these Nordic countries; for ecumenical and spiritual renewal movements that bring new intensity and depth to the Christian faith; for a witness for justice and peace that may become a strong example to the rest of the world; for the example of giving towards the development of other peoples; for snow and skiing, woods and mountains, lakes and fiords; and for the white nights of summer and the bare winter light. We pray for efforts to overcome violence, racial/ethnic discrimination, and the abuse of children and women; for equal rights and self-determination of the indigenous peoples; for refugees and migrants who seek a better life in these countries; and for those churches trying to find new vitality, so they can be faithful witnesses to the Gospel.

SUNDAY**January 25**

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

WEDNESDAY**January 28**

- 3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club
- 5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir
- 6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY**January 29**

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

SUNDAY**February 1**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service - Communion
- 12:00 P.M. – Annual Congregational Meeting
& Soup Potluck