



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 14, 2015

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*God, you are the gardener of all creation.
You planted this world with the seeds of your love
and grow them with your faithfulness.*

*We are your harvest;
we find our meaning and sustenance in you.
May our minds listen to you calling,
may our hearts be attuned to your will,
may our feet follow you in the world,
through Jesus, the Word become flesh. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Allegro, from Sonata in E-flat major, K. 282* W. A. Mozart

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The time is ripe; the harvest is near!

Everything old is passing away.

The kingdom of God is springing to life.

See, everything is becoming new!

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* 263
CORONATION

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Holy, triune God, we confess
that we have not lived for your glory.
We judge by outward appearances,
but you see what is in our hearts.
We look down on small things,
but you know how they will grow.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Teach us to live by faith,
trusting in the vision of your word
and the promise of a new creation;
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

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Mark 4:26-34

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

MESSAGE

About Those Seeds...

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH	<i>What Is the World Like</i>	771
	NEW WORLD	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH		
Apostles' Creed		Hymnal, p. 35
SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS		
The Lord's Prayer		Hymnal, p. 35
THE OFFERING		
OFFERTORY	<i>Allegretto in F major, Op. 101, No. 1</i>	C. V. Stanford
*DOXOLOGY	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	606
DEDICATION PRAYER		

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG	<i>God of the Fertile Fields</i>	714
	ITALIAN HYMN	
*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD		
*BLESSING AND CHARGE		
CHORAL BENEDICTION	<i>I Love to Tell the Story</i>	
*POSTLUDE	<i>Tocatta in F major, BuxWV 157</i>	Dietrich Buxtehude

*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 June 21: 1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49 and Psalm 9:9-20 or 1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16 and Psalm 133; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for June is **corn**. 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 Carolyn Montgomery and Harold Conner.

The **Chancel Choir** will take a break for the next four weeks, before resuming rehearsal on July 15. If interested in providing special music during this time, please contact Vince Leseney.

Vacation Bible School will take place June 22-26, from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. If you can help in any way—leading or assisting a class, providing a snack or just showing up—WE CAN USE YOU! Contact Jessica Farris or Pastor Tracy; there will be an organizational meeting for VBS volunteers today at 5:00 P.M.

Everyone is invited to an **All Church Supper** at 6:00 on Friday evening, June 26, with entertainment provided by the VBS kids. Fellowship & Hospitality will provide Sloppy Joes; a sign-up sheet has been posted for additional items that are needed.

The **Urban Mission** will hold a golf scramble fundraiser on Friday, June 26 at Choctaw Creek Golf Course. The cost is \$65 per player, and the tournament will begin at 8:00 A.M. All proceeds go towards helping Oklahomans in need. Call the Urban Mission at 946-1556 for more information.

Looking ahead, we will be holding an indoor **Garage Sale** on August 16. Start gathering up those special items you no longer need to benefit the church. Items will be collected the week of the sale.

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 Brazil. We give thanks for the strength of the church in Brazil, the members and leaders of the Roman Catholic dioceses, the work of the National Council of Christian Churches in Brazil, the witness of Pentecostal and Evangelical Christians, and those who work to spread the Gospel on the streets and in the favelas (shanty towns); for those who work for the liberation of the people; for the beauty and biological diversity of the Amazonian rainforest; and for Carnival, when rich and poor dance together. We pray for indigenous peoples who have lived on the land for thousands of years, but whose ways of life have been threatened or ended in the name of development and greed; for the hundreds of thousands of children who are forced to live and work on the streets, that they may know your gentle touch and love; for an end to political violence, torture and brutality by police

and others who are charged with the well-being and safety of the people; for landless peasants who struggle to make a life for themselves and their children; and for respect for human rights, so that no one can deny others their basic liberty with impunity.

SUNDAY

June 14

- 9:30 A.M. – Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 12:00 P.M. – Christian Education Meeting
- 5:00 P.M. – VBS Volunteer Meeting

THURSDAY

June 18

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

SUNDAY

June 21

- 9:30 A.M. – Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 5:30 P.M. – Stewardship Meeting