



# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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

August 2, 2015

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Holy One, God of our ancestors,  
you have given us bread from heaven:  
Jesus Christ, the Word of life.  
Give us this bread always.  
Set the seal of your Spirit upon us  
so that we may have faith and live;  
through Christ, the bread of life. Amen.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE                      *Bread of Heaven, on Thee We Feed*                      Emma Lou Diemer

### BRINGING THE LIGHT

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus Christ is the bread of life,  
**the bread of heaven for the world.**  
Come to Christ and never be hungry;  
**believe in him and never thirst.**  
Let us worship God.

\*SONG OF PRAISE                      *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken*  
AUSTRIAN HYMN

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#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Merciful God, we confess  
that we have not followed your way.  
You show us the wrong we have done,  
yet we point fingers at others.  
You offer us the bread of heaven,  
yet we hunger for the things of earth.  
Forgive us, God of grace.  
Speak your truth to us in love,  
so that we may return to you in peace,  
and grow more and more in grace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

...in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

\*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

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15

Page No. 55

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

*Se Munyenge*  
For translation see page five

Flora and Moume Ngom

GOSPEL READING

John 6:24-35

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## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

How do you live for the love of God?

**I love because God first loved me.**

**God loves me in Christ with a love that never ends.**

**Amazed by grace, I no longer live for myself.**

**I live for the Lord who died and rose again,  
triumphant over death, for my sake.**

**Therefore, I take those around me to heart,  
especially those in particular need,**

**knowing that Christ died for them no less than for me.**

*Adapted from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Study Catechism, Question 3*

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

## THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Wonderful Words of Life*

arr. Cindy Berry

## \*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

*Eat This Bread*  
Sing "Option B" twice

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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.**

...singing the hymn of your everlasting glory:

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

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC     *Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken*     Miller

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living God, through Jesus Christ you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Now, by your Spirit, send us out to be bread for the world, so that all who receive your grace may never hunger and thirst; in Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

## FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*SENDING SONG     *Hope of the World*     734  
DONNE SECOURS

### \*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE  
CHORAL BENEDICTION     *Together Met, Together Bound*

\*POSTLUDE     *Praeambulum in F major*     Vincent Lübeck

\*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 August 9: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51.

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

**Ushers** for today's service are Kirk and Jessica Forthman.

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

**Translation of today's anthem**, *Se Munyenge*, as sung by Flora & Moume Ngom.

- I. How good it is for Christ's followers  
To love one another  
With all their hearts  
Observing the LORD's Commandments.

Chorus: Love one another in Christ  
Because you're Christ's followers.  
Love your neighbors as yourself.  
Love him as yourself.

- II. Death is imminent!  
It's nearby every day.  
Be awake believers  
To take the boat of life.

Chorus: Love one another ...

Memorial's **Mission and Evangelism** Committee is asking for your assistance in a "back-to-school" project:

- What: We need 100 new or lightly used backpacks
- For Whom: Elementary school students in need at Norman Public Schools
- When: Needed by August 16 (Backpack Blessing Sunday at Memorial)
- Why: Help the kids get off to a good start for the new school year!

Please bring backpacks to the donation bin located in the hallway (leading to the sanctuary).

The **Oklahoma Conference of Churches** is hosting a series of luncheon meetings with the theme "Getting to Know OCC." The Norman meeting will be held at First Christian Church on Monday, August 3. All are invited to attend. The event will start with check-in at 11:45 A.M., lunch and OCC presentation at noon, followed by a Social Justice Ministry Network workshop from 1:30 to 2:30 P.M. The lunch is free but there will be a request for donations as part of this program. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to William Tabbernee by email at [wtabbernee@okchurches.org](mailto:wtabbernee@okchurches.org) or by calling 405-525-2928.

The annual **Cole Invitational** is scheduled for August 8-9, 2015. Mike & Joan Cole cordially invite you to their place at Lake Eufaula. Please use the sign-up sheet in the hallway at church if you are coming.

We will be holding an indoor Yard Sale as a **fundraiser for Camps and Conferences** on August 15. Start gathering up those no-longer-needed items to benefit the church. Items may be brought to the youth room (old library). Items pre-marked with prices are preferred. Watch for the "volunteer" sign-up sheet for this event. Contact Lisa Upton or Donna Vint if you have any questions.

**Sunday School Kick-Off:** Make plans to join us in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 A.M. on Sunday, August 16, as we kick-off the beginning of the 2015-16 church school year. This time of fellowship is open to all at Memorial, and particularly to child participants and their parents. The program will begin with a pot-luck breakfast, and then the teacher volunteers will be introduced. We will be outlining not only the children's and youth programs, but the adult classes, and other Christian Education activities, as well. For the pot-luck, there will be a sign-up sheet posted in the hallway leading to the sanctuary. Please plan on joining in on the celebration of the new Christian education year.

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 **Canada and the USA**.

**Give thanks for:** Churches that see beyond their own congregations and countries to reach out to others in the name of Christ. The National Council of the Churches of Christ USA, and the Canadian Council of Churches, and their efforts towards unity. Those who tell stories from other parts of the world linking the poverty of the developing world to the consumerism and wealth of North Americans. Those who work for the rights of women and children. Those who walk instead of driving a car, who take the public bus instead of their own van, who call for an end to the wasteful use of the earth's resources. Maple syrup and pumpkin pie. **Pray for:** Continued efforts to ensure the rights of all peoples in Canada: First Nations, English and French speaking, and all immigrants. An end to the creation and proliferation of nuclear, biological and chemical weapons. Those who experience poverty, discrimination and lack of opportunity amid great wealth, and for the growing gap between rich and poor. Those affected by terrorist attacks. Revitalization in the churches and renewed leadership.

**SUNDAY****August 2**

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

**TUESDAY****August 4**

- 7:00 P.M. – Fellowship & Hospitality Meeting

**WEDNESDAY****August 5**

- 6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY****August 6**

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

**SUNDAY****August 9**

- 9:30 A.M. – Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 4:30 P.M. – Deacons Meeting

**Stewardship Update**

January 1 to July 31, 2015

	<b>Actual YTD</b>	<b>Budget YTD</b>	<b>2015 Budget</b>
<b>Pledges</b>	\$78,769.30	\$87,495.31	\$149,992.00
<b>Other Income</b>	\$13,284.58	\$19,596.43	\$33,594.00
<b>Total Income</b>	\$92,053.88	\$107,091.74	\$183,586.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$104,144.43	\$108,472.00	\$185,954.00