



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

World Communion Sunday

October 4, 2015

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Communion Hymn from Scotland

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ps. 34:8, 11–14

Taste and see that the Lord is good!

Happy are those who rest in God.

Come and listen, children of God.

Teach us the way of truth and life.

Let us depart from evil and do good.

Let us seek peace and pursue it.

*SONG OF PRAISE

O Look and Wonder
Argentina

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of every people and nation, we confess
that we have not lived as global citizens
in your new realm of justice and peace.**

Refrain Bm Em D G Am7 Bm7 Em

Je - sus knows the in - most heart: noth - ing can be hid - den.

Bm Em D G Am7 Bm7 Em *Fine*

Je - sus knows the in - most heart: noth - ing can be hid - den.

Detailed description: The image shows two systems of musical notation for a refrain. Each system consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 6/8. The first system is labeled 'Refrain' and has chords Bm, Em, D, G, Am7, Bm7, and Em above it. The lyrics 'Je - sus knows the in - most heart: noth - ing can be hid - den.' are written below the treble staff. The second system is identical but ends with a double bar line and the word 'Fine' above the treble staff.

Pakistan/Afghanistan

**We build up dividing walls in the world.
We contribute to division in the church.**

Jesus knows the inmost heart...

**We ignore the suffering in distant nations
and live in fear of our closest neighbors.
Forgive us, God of grace.**

Jesus knows the inmost heart...

**Pour out your Spirit of peace upon us,
break down the dividing walls among us,
and raise us up to be a holy temple—
your temple of peace in the world—
built on the cornerstone of Jesus Christ,
in whose holy name we pray. Amen.**

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the Good News of Salvation
Native American

*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

Peace of God Be with You

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As-salaamu lakum

(Sung twice, first in English, then Arabic)

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 25:6–10a

Page No. 568

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalms 24

Lift Up the Gates Eternal

Hymn 364

Mark 10:13–16

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ANTHEM

Saranam, Saranam
Punjabi (South Asian) melody

arr. Geoff Weaver

MESSAGE

Children of the World

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Sound a Mystic Bamboo Song
Asia

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that God has entrusted the church
with the message of reconciliation
in and through Jesus Christ.**

**We believe that the church is called
to be the salt of the earth
and the light of the world.**

**We believe that the church is called blessed
because it is a peacemaker.
We believe that the church is witness
both by word and by deed
to the new heaven and the new earth
in which righteousness dwells.**

Excerpted and adapted from the Confession of Belhar

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Communion Hymn from South Africa*

*DOXOLOGY

Know That God Is Good
Central Africa

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DEDICATION PRAYER

SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

COMMUNION SONG

Come, Let Us Eat
Liberia

528, v. 1-2

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.

...joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en, we
eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.

...as we share this joyful feast.

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

...As Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:
The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Jesus said: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst
for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Jesus said: Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION SONG

One Bread, One Body
(repeated indefinitely)

530 (refrain)

*One Bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Come, Let Us Eat
Liberia

528, v. 3-4

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

Dream On, Dream On
Korean

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

The grace of God be with you;
the love of Christ be with you;
the Spirit's peace be with you—
here and everywhere,
now and forever. **Alleluia!**

Go now into all the world,
proclaiming the gospel of peace. **Amen.**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

*POSTLUDE

*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 October 11: Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22:1-15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for October is cereal. 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 Tim and Jona Thiessen.

Communion servers for today's service are Harry Wright, Donna Vint, Esau Jangha, Lucy Lanning & Charlotte Lovett.

Memorial Presbyterian Church now accepts **online donations** through a partnership with the Presbyterian Foundation, via the Presbyterian Mission Exchange. Look for the "Give Now" button on our website or scan the QR code on the pew card. Recurring or one-time donations may be made by credit/debit card or by direct transfer from your bank account (EFT). We will continue to accept cash and checks as well.

Our east **parking lot** needs to be repaved. This project is estimated to cost approximately \$68,000. Session has authorized a capital campaign for the month of September, 2015, with the goal of raising this amount. There are about 100 parking spots in the east lot so we are asking people to "buy" or donate enough for at least one parking spot—\$680 each. Please prayerfully consider donating toward this much-needed repair.

The **Mission and Evangelism** Committee is launching its Fall project. We have discerned a need for clothing for many elementary-age children as winter approaches. If you can help, please purchase pairs of blue jeans, sizes 6, 8, 10, 12, or 14 (all regulars). More information will be forthcoming. Any questions may be referred to committee members: Kirk Forthman, Jan Johnson, Doris Hinson, Dave Iske, Eileen Burke, or Erica Phelps.

We celebrate **World Communion Sunday** today and also take up the Peace & Global Witness Offering. 25% of this offering will be given to the Women's Resource Center. Be sure to stay after the service for a congregational meal of traditional Cameroonian food.

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 **Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan**. **Give thanks for:** Christians who, though a tiny minority, have courage to witness to the gospel and strength to live according to God's word. Those who in spite of danger give their lives to serve others. Peace-makers struggling to end hostility and violence. Movements towards democracy. Those who work on behalf of political prisoners and the dispossessed. **Pray for:** An end to war in Afghanistan, and the ability of tribal ethnic leaders to govern their country with peace and justice. Those still affected by war, violence, landmines and drought, along with those who have lost their homes and become refugees. Stability and justice for the countries of the former Soviet Union, as they continue to create new forms of

government and life. Land, air and water that have been damaged by human abuse. Good relations between Muslims and Christians. Religious freedom. An end to oppression in many of these countries.

SUNDAY

October 4

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service with Communion
- 12:00 P.M. – Congregational Meal

MONDAY

October 5

- 6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

TUESDAY

October 6

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

WEDNESDAY

October 7

- 6:30 P.M. – Worship & Music Meeting

THURSDAY

October 8

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

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Stewardship Update			
January 1 to September 30, 2015			
	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	2015 Budget
Pledges	\$100,301.30	\$112,493.97	\$149,992.00
Other Income	\$18,238.20	\$25,195.41	\$33,594.00
Total Income	\$118,539.50	\$137,689.38	\$183,586.00
Total Expenses	\$136,969.92	\$139,464.00	\$185,954.00