

# **Memorial Presbyterian Church**

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Christ the King Sunday

November 22, 2015

#### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Sovereign God,
come to us now in silent, holy power.
Still our distracted minds, our bruised hearts,
our longing bodies.
Then speak the power of Jesus' name
in such a way that we might hear it,
in such a way that we might bear it into the world—
as a people who seek not to preserve what we know
but to make palpable who you are—
for we move and pray by the gift of your breath
within us. Amen.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Wachet Auf, Ruft Uns Die Stimme Johann Sebastian Bach

BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Grace and peace from the Lord God, who was and is and is to come.
Grace and peace in Jesus Christ, the Alpha and the Omega.
Let us worship God.

\*SONG OF PRAISE

Come, Thou Almighty King

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\*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Holy One, we dare to call you Lord, but yield to you only fragments of our lives. You had nowhere to lay your head; we surround ourselves with comfort. We expect to serve you with what remains after we have indulged our desires. Forgive our greed, our lack of trust, our desire to pick the times and places we will respond to our call. In your abundant mercy teach us what it means to follow. even at the cost of our lives. Amen.

## \*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 We Are One In the Spirit 300. v. 1

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; And we pray that all unity may one day be restored; And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Harry Wright

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#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 1:4-8

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 18:33-37 The Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM There is a Higher Throne

**MESSAGE** What Kind of King? Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH At the Name of Jesus 264

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

How did Jesus Christ fulfill the office of king? He was the Lord who took the form of a servant: he perfected royal power in weakness. With no sword but the sword of righteousness, and no power but the power of love, Christ defeated sin, evil, and death by reigning from the cross.

Adapted from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Study Catechism, Question 41

## WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Let us welcome our new members as they join with us in the worship and mission of the church.

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

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Meditation on King's Weston

\*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 606 DEDICATION PRAYER

## FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*SENDING SONG Come, Christians, Join to Sing 267

\*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE CHORAL BENEDICTION

Let Every Creature Rise (Hymn 265, v. 5)

\*POSTLUDE

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Charles Ore

\*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 November 29: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalms 25:1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13: Luke 21:25-36.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for November is soup. 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 Larry and Lisa Upton.

**Today** please plan to stay for a bit following worship. The Worship & Music Committee requests your assistance in decorating the sanctuary for the Advent/ Christmas season.

On **Wednesday**, **December 2** Memorial will be ringing the Salvation Army Red Kettle bells. One more Bell Ringer is needed for the 6-7 time slot. The bell ringing will take place at Hobby Lobby on 24th and Main. If you want to ring a bell there are several time slots throughout the day with only one bell ringer, so if you want to keep another company contact Paul Phelps at pphelps1@cox.net or 405-310-3198

**The Mission and Evangelism Committee** collected 52 pairs of jeans in their Fall Blue Jean project. One third will be donated to Wilson Elementary School, one third will be donated to Jackson Elementary School and the remaining one third will be donated to Kennedy Elementary School, all within the Norman Public School System.

BSA Troop 245 is hosting a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on **Saturday**, **December 12th from 8am-11am** in Memorial's Fellowship Hall. The proceeds will go toward our parking lot project, so be on the lookout for the flyer.

SUNDAY November 22

9:30 A.M. - Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. – Worship Service with Communion

5:00 Р.м. – М.Ү. Group

THURSDAY

November 26

Thanksgiving Day

SUNDAY November 29

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. – Worship Service

Cameroon, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger; Give thanks for: The freedom for Christians to worship in Mauritania even though it is an Islamic country. Christians who retain their faith and continue to serve Christ even though they are tiny minorities in some of these countries. Those who depend on semi-nomadic and nomadic ways of life and who continue to survive and retain their ethnic heritage. Those who plant trees to counter the spread of the desert.