

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

7th Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2016

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Lord Jesus Christ, make us one—
one in the gathering of the church,
one in the teaching of the Scriptures;
one in the sharing of the Eucharist;
one in the sending of the Spirit.*

*Make us one, Lord Jesus Christ,
so that the world will believe in you
and receive the gift of life you offer;
in your holy name we pray.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Charles Ore

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

As the Creator and Savior are one,
may we all be one.

So that the world will see Christ,
may we all be one.

So that the nations will know
the love of God for them,
may we all be one.

As the body of Christ
for the sake of world,
may we all be one.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of everlasting life, we confess
that we continue in the ways of death.
You have set us free to serve you,
but we serve our own interests.
You have delivered us from captivity,
but we remain captive to our fear.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.
Pour out your loving-kindness
upon this whole family of believers
so that we may rejoice in our redemption;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

***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* 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 16:16-34 Page No. 900
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

John 17:20-26 Page No. 880
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

MESSAGE Breaking Open Tracy L. Evans

***SONG OF FAITH** Let the Whole Creation Cry 679

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We believe that God's
life-giving Word and Spirit
has conquered the powers
of sin and death,
and therefore also
of irreconciliation and hatred,
bitterness and enmity,
that God's life-giving Word and Spirit
will enable the church to live
in a new obedience**

**which can open new possibilities of life
for society and the world.**

Adapted from the Confession of Belhar

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Song in the Night

Dale Wood

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

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DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Fugue in D Major

J. S. Bach

*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 May 14: Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9; Psalms 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17 (25-27).

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for May is peanut butter. 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 Lucy Lanning and Charlotte Lovett .

Sunday, May 22, during the coffee time, Fellowship & Hospitality will hold a **reception to honor our graduating High School Seniors**. Plan to attend and congratulate.

Kids' Club will be ending for the summer on Wednesday May 18.

SUNDAY	May 8
9:30 A.M. – Sunday School	
10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments	
10:55 A.M. – Worship Service	
TUESDAY	May 10
6:00 P.M. – Mission & Evangelism Meeting	
7:00 P.M. – Christian Education Meeting	
WEDNESDAY	May 11
3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club	
5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir	
6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir	
THURSDAY	May 12
10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library	
SUNDAY	May 15
9:30 A.M. – Sunday School	
10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments	
10:55 A.M. – Worship Service	