

# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

21st Sunday of after Pentecost

October 9, 2016

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Holy God, through Christ you came  
to heal our diseases and cleanse our sin.*

*Let our lives be signs of gratitude  
for the gift of your amazing grace,  
so that all the world might know  
the good news of your saving love  
and the faith that makes us well.*

*This we pray in Jesus' name.*

*Amen.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Choral Prelude on St. Peter

Alec Rowley

### BRINGING THE LIGHT

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to God, who is our peace.

**We give thanks with all our hearts.**

Praise the Lord, who makes us whole.

**We praise the holy name of God.**

Let us worship God.

\*SONG OF PRAISE

When Morning Gilds the Skies

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#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Sovereign God, we confess  
that we have not turned away from sin.**

**You offer us your grace,  
but we fail to show our gratitude.**

**You heal us by your mercy,  
but we fail to give you glory.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.**

**Strengthen us in faith,  
so that we may be made well  
and live to praise your name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(Time of silent reflection)

\*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

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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ANTHEM

Canon of Praise

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:11-19

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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MESSAGE

Did You Say Thank You?

Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

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\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that the church  
must witness against and strive against  
any form of injustice,  
so that justice may roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an  
ever-flowing stream.**

**We believe that the church  
as the possession of God  
must stand where the Lord stands,  
namely against injustice  
and with the wronged.**

**We believe that in following Christ  
the church must witness against  
all the powerful and privileged  
who selfishly seek their own interest  
and thus control and harm others.**

*Adapted from the Confession of Belhar*

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response.... God our Savior, **hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Melody in G Major

Alexander Guilmant

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

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DEDICATION PRAYER

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

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\*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

May We Ever Reign

\*POSTLUDE

Prelude in a minor

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.

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**A huge THANK YOU to all who assisted with hosting the presbytery meeting on Friday.** From the pre-clean and prep, to making and serving the meals, to the greeting and welcoming our guests, and cleaning up afterwards, you are all appreciated! It takes many people to make a welcoming atmosphere, and you all carried it out beautifully.

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**There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 16, following worship.** This will be to act on the slate of officers for Deacons and Ruling Elders for the Class of 2019 as presented by the Nominating Committee. The following people are being nominated: Eileen Burke, Grace Tamakong and Bree Upton for Deacon and Trudy Beard, Nick Lindley and Charlotte Lovett for Elder. Nominations may be made from the floor.

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