

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 15, 2017

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Steadfast God,
you have enriched and enlightened us
by the revelation of your eternal Christ.
Comfort us in our mortality
and strengthen us
to walk the path of your desire,
so that by word and deed we may manifest
the gracious news
of your faithfulness and love. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE As With Gladness Men of Old Walter Pelz

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Look, here is the Lamb of God!
Jesus calls us: Come and see.
Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE Arise, Your Light Is Come! 744

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of glory, we confess
that we have not sought your face.
We adore the high and mighty
and ignore your humble servant.
We act with prejudice and partiality
and fail to share your love for all.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Pour out the power of your Spirit
and renew us in our calling:
to show the wonder of your love;**

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Time of silent reflection)

*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

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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ANTHEM

The Morning Star Doth Shine

SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:29-42

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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MESSAGE

Come and See

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that the unity
of the people of God
must be manifested and be active
in a variety of ways:
that we share one faith, have one calling,
are of one soul and one mind;
have one God and Father,
are filled with one Spirit,
are baptized with one baptism,
eat of one bread and drink of one cup,
confess one name,
are obedient to one Lord,
work for one cause, and share one hope.**

Adapted from the Confession of Belhar

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: ...Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Souls of the Righteous in the Hand of God Charles Callahan

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

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine 837

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE
CHORAL BENEDICTION Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

*POSTLUDE Toccata Eugene Gigout

*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 January 22: Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalms 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for January 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 Will and Jessica Farris.

Sunday, January 22 is the **Chili Cook Off**. Come and enjoy a bowl of chili made with love.

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** will be **February 8** following worship with a Potluck in the Fellowship Hall.

Mark your calendars for a one night only event! The Fellowship & Hospitality Committee is proud to present the MPC Showcase! This entertainment packed showcase will be on Saturday, February 11th from 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm, doors to open at 6:50 pm and the performances will begin at 7:30.

SUNDAY

January 15

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. – Worship Service

12:00 P.M. – Deacons Meeting

TUESDAY

January 17

7:00 P.M. – Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY

January 18

3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club

4:00 P.M. – Children's Choir

6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY

January 19

7:00 P.M. – Building & Grounds Meeting

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