

# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

June 24, 2018

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Holy God, you created the world and all that is in it.  
The wind and the sea obey your Son.  
You are the source of our strength  
and our confidence is in you.  
All praise be to you,  
our stronghold and savior. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Let the redeemed of the Lord rejoice;

**for the steadfast love of God, give thanks!**

Let us worship God.

\*SONG OF PRAISE I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer

Hymnal, No. 624

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Holy, triune God, we confess  
that we have not lived for your glory.**

**When enemies attack us,  
we trust in our own defenses.**

**When deadly storms surround us,  
we forget that you are with us.**

**Forgive us, God of grace.**

**In our hardship and affliction  
teach us to trust that you alone  
can deliver us from death to life;  
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

Hymnal, No. 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

John Beck

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 17:32-49

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalms 9:9-20

The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

**And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O Lord,  
have not forsaken those who seek you.**

Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion. Declare his deeds among the peoples.

**For he who avenges blood is mindful of them; he does not forget the cry  
of the afflicted.**

Be gracious to me, O Lord. See what I suffer from those who hate me; you are the one who lifts me up from the gates of death,

**so that I may recount all your praises, and, in the gates of daughter Zion,  
rejoice in your deliverance.**

The nations have sunk in the pit that they made; in the net that they hid has their own foot been caught.

**The Lord has made himself known, he has executed judgment; the  
wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.**

The wicked shall depart to Sheol, all the nations that forget God.

**For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor  
perish forever.**

Rise up, O Lord! Do not let mortals prevail; let the nations be judged before you.

**Put them in fear, O Lord; let the nations know that they are only human.**

ANTHEM

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 4:35-41

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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MESSAGE

Peace. Be Still.

Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

Hymnal, No. 815

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**The life, death, resurrection,  
and promised coming of Jesus Christ  
has set the pattern for the church's mission.  
His human life involves the church  
in the common life of all people.  
His service to men and women  
commits the church  
to work for every form of human well-being.  
His suffering makes the church sensitive  
to all human suffering  
so that it sees the face of Christ  
in the faces of persons in every kind of need.  
His crucifixion discloses to the church  
God's judgment on the inhumanity  
that marks human relations,  
and the awful consequences  
of the church's own complicity in injustice.  
In the power of the risen Christ  
and the hope of his coming,  
the church sees the promise  
of God's renewal of human life in society  
and of God's victory over all wrong.  
The church follows this pattern  
in the form of its life  
and in the method of its action.  
So to live and serve  
is to confess Christ as Lord.**

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32-33*

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response:... By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

\*DEDICATION PRAYER

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG                      How Firm a Foundation                      Hymnal, No. 463

\*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE  
    CHORAL BENEDICTION                      God be with You

\*POSTLUDE

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

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 July 1: 2 Samuel 5:1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43.

The **Food and Shelter** item of the month for June 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 head usher.

**Ushers** for today's service are Karen and Paul Upton.

Please welcome our **new organist Abraham Wallace**.

**VBS will be July 16-19 from 6pm-8pm.**

We will also hold a church-wide garage sale on **August 4th**, so start gathering those items that are ready to be loved by another family! More details to come.

**We have a new prayer chain!** Just send an email to MPCprayerchain@gmail.com with "Add Me" in the subject

**SUNDAY**

**June 24**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service

**WEDNESDAY**

**June 27**

- 6:30 P.M. – NO Chancel Choir

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