

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 1, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

O God,
*light of the minds that know you,
life of the souls that love you,
strength of the thoughts that seek you:*
Help us so to know you
that we may truly love you
so to love you
that we may fully serve you,
whose service is perfect freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Variations on Beecher

Wallace

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

the mercies of God never come to an end.

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Hymnal, No. 415

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Holy, triune God, we confess
that we have not lived for your glory.
We follow the crowds around you
but fail to grasp the good news you offer.
We weep at the power of death
but laugh at your promise of new life.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Heal us of all doubt and despair
and give us the gift of faith
by which you make us whole;
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

Charlotte Lovett

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 5:21-43

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Detours

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Hymnal, No. 529

*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

BLESSING OF DEPARTING MEMBER—Diana Johnson

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

SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SPECIAL MUSIC Come to the Table Lucy Lanning, soloist

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

...Christ is the bread of life.

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the saving death of our risen Lord
until he comes in glory.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG The Church of Christ in Every Age Hymnal, No. 320

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE Toccata in C, BWV 564 Bach

*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 May 13: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19.

The **Food and Shelter** item of the month for July is **jelly**. 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 Michael Yeager and Nick Lindley.

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

We will hold a church-wide garage sale on **August 4th**, so start gathering those items that are ready to be loved by another family! Sign up to help in the hallway.

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

SUNDAY

July 1

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

WEDNESDAY

July 4

Office Closed

SUNDAY

July 8

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