Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 11, 2023

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

God of love.

even as the world presses in on you with all its wants and demands, you walk among us in peace.
You radiate your mercy and grace.
We open ourselves to your love.
We listen for your Word to enter us and change us.
We reach for the hem of your garment.
Enter our longing, and heal us. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Prelude on Lauda Anima Robert Hobby

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

All who are righteous, shout with joy to our God!

Let us sing a new song!

Praise God and give thanks,

with organs, with guitars, with all kinds of instruments!

Play your best with joy!

Because our Creator's word is right,

and everything God does is done for our good.

Let your faithful love surround us, O God!

*SONG OF PRAISE Morning Has Broken Hymnal, No. 664

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God,

we acknowledge our guilt,

and seek your face and your forgiveness.

For we have not offered steadfast love

to you or each other.

We have not moved forward in faith.

but have allowed ourselves to be stifled by fear.

Revive us, raise us up, that we might live before you,

rejoicing in the knowledge of your love.

(Time of silent reflection)

People of God,

hear and believe the good news:

Christ came to bring healing, forgiveness, and new life

to all who sin and suffer.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*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 to God

Hymnal, No. 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

World with-out end, with-out end. Amen (x3)

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Tim Thiessen

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 4:13-25

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 33:1-12

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright.

Praise the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings.

Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of his mouth.

He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle; he put the deeps in storehouses.

Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples.

The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

ANTHEM

Awake My Heart

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Will You Follow Me? Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH Woman in the Night Hymnal, No. 161

*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

[A time of silence follows each petition.]

LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal, p. 35

Please pray the Lord's Prayer in the language and wording most familiar to you.

THE OFFERING
OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Will You Come and Follow Me Hymnal, No. 726

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*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 June 18: Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7) and Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; Exodus 19:2-8a and Psalm 100; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8, (9-23). The Food & Shelter items of the month for June **are granola bars and fruit cups. 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.

Morning Has Broken

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- 1 Morn-ing has bro ken like the first morn ing; black-bird has
- 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun lit from heav en, like the first
- 3 Mine is the sun light! Mine is the morn ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word! gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass. morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!



726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons



- 1 "Will you come and fol low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er same? Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er the same? Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er the same? Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er the same? Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er the same.



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known; Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at-tract or scare? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un-seen, Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round, In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.



will me?" you let my life be grown in you and you in Will an - swer prayer in you and you me?" you let me in me?" and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in through my sight and touch and sound in you and you me?" I'll move and live and grow in you and you me.