

Memorial Presbyterian Church

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2024

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Giving God,
as we share what we have,
seeking to further your work in this world,
remind us that abundance
does not always mean extravagance
and that humble offerings are holy.
Whether we offer a grand gesture,
a simple meal,
or two small coins,

PRELUDE Phoenix Processional D. Locklair

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP Nicholas Lindley

Eternal God, you who are more vast than the universe,
we come with our tiny words of praise,
and you receive them with love and delight.
Loving Jesus, we give to you our small and broken lives,
and you receive them with love and delight.
Holy Spirit, we bear the gifts you have given us out into the world, each in our
own way,
and you receive them with love and delight.
**We worship you, and give thanks for your grace. Alleluia! The Lord of
hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge**
Let us worship the living God!

*SONG OF PRAISE Rejoice, the Lord is King Hymnal, No. 363

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Merciful God, forgive our systemic sins, the way we build and support and col-
laborate with oppression. Open our eyes to the injustice of wealth inequality.
Open our hearts to righting our societal
wrongs. Forgive our excuses, our apathy, our votes cast only for our
benefit, or that of our nation's. Help us follow Christ in prioritizing
the poor and vulnerable. Help us build your beloved community
where all belong, and all may flourish. Amen.**
(Time of silent reflection)

*THE PEACE

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Children of God, hear and believe the good news:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*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 without end, without end. Amen (x3)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 12:38-44

Page No. 825

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 127

Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.

Unless the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil;

for he gives sleep to his beloved.

Sons are indeed a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the sons of one's youth.

Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them.

He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 9:24-28

Page No. 976

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Samuel McCann

*SONG OF FAITH

For the Fruit of All Creation

Hymnal, No. 36

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death.

We reject the false doctrine, as though the church could and would have to acknowledge as a source of its proclamation, apart from and besides this one Word of God, still other events and powers, figures and truths, as God's revelation.

As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's

mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures.

We reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords—areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him.

(adapted from the Theological Declaration of Barmen)

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 35

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

THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

Take My Life

Hymnal, No. 697

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE

Maestoso

L. Vierne, arr. by A. Schreiner

*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 November 17: 1 Samuel 1:4-20 and 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Daniel 12:1-3 and Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25; Mark 13:1-8.

The Food & Shelter items of the month for November are hand warmers and scarves. **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.

Rejoice, the Lord Is King! 363

Descant

4 Re-joyce in glo - rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

- 1 Re - joyce, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore!
- 2 Our Sav - ior, Je - sus, reigns, the God of truth and love;
- 3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
- 4 Re - joyce in glo - rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

and gath - er all the saints to their e - ter - nal home.

Re - joyce, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
 when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove.
 the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus given.
 and gath - er all the saints to their e - ter - nal home.

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Re-joyce, a - gain I say, re-joyce!

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Re-joyce, a - gain I say, re-joyce!

For the Fruit of All Creation

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1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

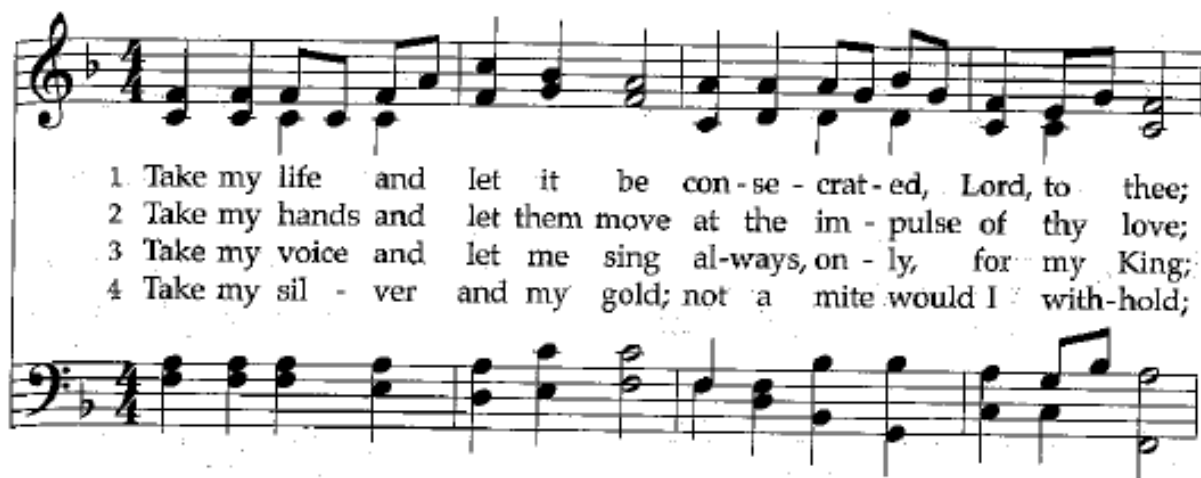
For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -

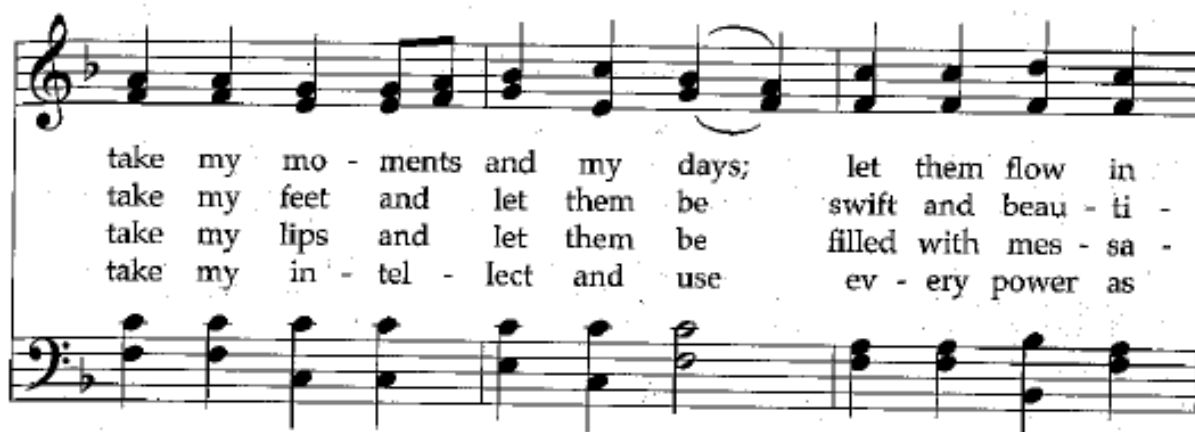
sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Take My Life

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1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
 it shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is thine own;
 it shall be thy royal throne,
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 at thy feet its treasure store;
 take myself and I will be
 ever, only, all for thee,
 ever, only, all for thee.