



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 10, 2014

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Son of God, you walk on the waters of turmoil
to meet us in the midst of your purposed
journey for our lives.*

*Help us to recognize your presence,
remember your promise,
rely on your power,
and receive your peace
through every storm. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Joe Utterback

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God speaks peace to the faithful,
to those who turn to God in their hearts.

Ps. 85:8–13

**Surely salvation is at hand
for those who fear God.**

Where God dwells,
steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

**Faithfulness springs up from the ground
and righteousness looks down from the sky.
God gives what is good
and we respond with abundant praise!**

*SONG OF PRAISE

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**O Lord our God, we confess that we do not reflect your glory.
In fear, we conspire against those whose dreams might threaten ours.
In fear, we fail to recognize the very one who comes to save us.
Forgive us; restore and reorder our lives
by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
so that we do not sink back into fear, but walk boldly in faith,
to the glory of your holy name.**

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*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

Romans 10:5-15

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 14:22-33

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

We Gather Here in Jesus' Name

Vince Leseney

MESSAGE

Step Out

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH	<i>My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less</i>	353
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed		Hymnal, p. 34
SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS The Lord's Prayer		Hymnal, p. 35
THE OFFERING OFFERTORY	<i>All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly</i>	Emma Lou Diemer
*DOXOLOGY DEDICATION PRAYER	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	606

SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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.

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

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.

...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* Emma Lou Diemer

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* 834

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

*POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune in D major* David Johnson

*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 August 17: Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:(10-20) 21-28.

The Urban Mission item of the month August for is **hygiene products**. 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 Harry Wright and Donna Vint.

Communion servers for today's service are Michael Yeager, Lucy Lanning, Loreen Upton, and Jona Thiessen.

Parents Helping Parents will meet on Thursday, August 14 at 7 P.M. at the Education Center at Norman Regional Hospital, 901 North Porter in Norman. Parents Helping Parents is a network of parents and others concerned about alcohol/substance abuse in their (adolescents or adult) children. The group offers hope through shared experience, resources, and education. They promote prevention and intervention, collaborative efforts and increased access to information/services, and support. For more information, call 278-1221 or go to the website: www.ParentsHelpingParents.info

We are having a **yard sale** this Saturday, August 16, from 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall for the benefit of the youth Camps and Conferences fund. Donna Vint is organizing the event; volunteers are needed to sort items beforehand as well as on the day of the sale. Donations may be brought to the church and placed in the Kids' Club room; organizers will be at the church today and Wednesday from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. Please pre-mark your donated items with prices, as this will save the sale organizers a good deal of time.

Attention, all students and teachers! Be sure to worship with us on August 17—we will have a **Blessing of the Backpacks** as the school year gets underway. Bring your backpack, book bag, laptop, tablet, or whatever symbolizes your school experience!

The **Fellowship & Hospitality** committee will host a brief reception after worship on Sunday, August 17, to help us get to know each other and any guests who may attend. See you there!

As part of the **ecumenical prayer cycle**, we ask you to pray for a particular region of the world each week. This week we pray for Aotearoa/New Zealand and Australia. We give thanks for the wondrous diversity of creation and those who seek to be good stewards; for aboriginal and Maori cultures and those who try to preserve the best of them; for gum trees and kangaroos, wallabies and kiwi fruit, Aoraki/Mt Cook and Uluru/Ayers Rock; for coral reefs and the wonders of life they contain; for societies becoming multicultural and learning to be more open to those who are different; for lively debate and political wit. We pray for the rights and lives of Aboriginal peoples, who have lived in Australia for thousands of years; for the rights of Maori people, who were the original inhabitants of Aotearoa/New Zealand; for those who witness to the strength of the Gospel to highly secularized cultures; for an end to discrimination against refugees and migrants seeking a better, safer life; and for those who oppose violence and war.

SUNDAY**August 10**

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

TUESDAY**August 12**

- 6:00 P.M. – Mission & Evangelism meeting
- 7:00 P.M. – Christian Education meeting

WEDNESDAY**August 13**

- 7:00 P.M. – Building & Grounds meeting

THURSDAY**August 14**

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library
- 7:00 P.M. – Chancel Choir

SATURDAY**August 16**

- 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. – Yard Sale in Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY**August 17**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service – Blessing of Backpacks
- 12:00 P.M. – Reception Following Worship