



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

6th Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2015

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Loving God, help us to love others
as Christ has loved us.*

*Bring us into the spiritual joy
of living our lives as your friend,
and teach us to abide in your love,
that we may show that love to the world. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

We Come as Guests Invited

Emma Lou Diemer

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to our God a new song.

Ps. 98:1-8

God has done marvelous things!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

*SONG OF PRAISE

Baptized in Water

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BUNESSAN

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts.

**Forgive us, we pray, and lead us toward wholeness, that we may be filled with
your joy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*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 to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

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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.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

1 John 5:1-6

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 15:9-17

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Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Among Friends

Tracy L. Evans

ANTHEM

Breaking the Bread

Allen Pote

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Alison and Charles Baker

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: ...By your grace, O God, **raise us from death to life.**
The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Prelude on Bunessan

Dale Wood

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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DEDICATION PRAYER

SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*COMMUNION SONG

We Come as Guests Invited

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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

Sonata in D minor: Adagio e dolce

J. S. Bach

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

Lord, Make Us More Holy

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

*POSTLUDE

Sonata in C minor—Finale

Josef Rheinberger

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

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for is May is peanut butter. 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 Paul and Karen Upton.

Communion servers for today's service are Mike & Joan Cole and Tim & Jona Thiessen.

Parents Helping Parents will meet on Thursday, May 14th at 7:00 P.M. at the Education Center at Norman Regional Hospital, 901 North Porter. For more information, call 278-1221 or go to the website: www.ParentsHelpingParents.info

Building & Grounds will be organizing a **"Mini" Spring Cleanup Day** this Saturday, May 16, as we prepare for the 50th Anniversary on May 24.

You are invited to Memorial Presbyterian Church's **50th Anniversary Celebration** on Sunday, May 24 from 10:55 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. Please join us as we welcome old friends and new for a very special worship service of praise, music and remembrance, followed by a

luncheon in celebration of Memorial's first 50 years! If you plan to attend, PLEASE reply before May 20 to mempres1@sbcglobal.net or by calling 329-3640.

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 Kenya and Tanzania. We give thanks for the witness of Christian churches and organizations and the continued relationship between brothers and sisters in Christ from different denominations; for choirs who spend long hours rehearsing to give God praise; for worship with joyous dancing accompanied by drums and shakers; for small farmers who work hard to feed their families; for ugali (cornmeal), cassava, rice, & chapati (a type of Indian bread); for welcoming people, who share their resources with strangers from across the borders; and for Mt. Kilimanjaro, and the vast Indian Ocean. We pray for refugees from neighboring countries, that they may find food and shelter and soon be able to return to their homes; for those affected by drought, that they may have clean water to drink and grow their crops; for peace among ethnic and tribal groups, so that they may work together to create a just society; for those suffering from HIV and AIDS, children orphaned by the epidemic, and those who care for them; and for those who live in abject poverty, many of whom are not able to feed themselves or their families.

SUNDAY

May 10

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

TUESDAY

May 12

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

WEDNESDAY

May 13

- 3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club
- 5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir
- 6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY

May 14

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

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