



Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 12, 2015

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Holy Trinity,
yours is the justice
that calls power to account.
Yours is the love
that calls sinners to repent.
Yours is the mercy
that forgives us and grants us eternal life.
Lead us in the truth about the Beloved,
and set us free to rejoice with all our might
over the great mystery you have revealed:
that you are bringing all things into harmony
through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace

Raymond Haan

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing, dance, and rejoice in the Lord,
for the word of God is among us.

Give thanks to the Holy One, our God,
for in Christ our salvation has come.

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE

God of Grace and God of Glory
CWM RHONDDA

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
you are the God of glory.
We confess that we often forget
that your holiness is dangerous.
We take our impurities for granted,
make excuses for the sins we commit,
and expect you to overlook the harm we cause
while still demanding justice from others.
We do not deserve your mercy.
Forgive us,
and return us to a right relationship with you
for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ.
You made us for the purpose of praising you;
enliven us with the Holy Spirit
so that we can fulfill our calling
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. 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 Be to the Father

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 1:1-14

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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MESSAGE

A Different Banquet

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm

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REPTON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

How do you live by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ?

I am not my own.

I have been bought with a price.

The Lord Jesus Christ loved me

and gave himself for me.

I entrust myself completely to his care,

giving thanks each day for his wonderful goodness.

Adapted from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Study Catechism, Question 2

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: ...Hear us O God. **Your mercy is great.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Allegro, from Sonata no. 1 in D major*

C. P. E. Bach

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE

Praeludium in G major, BuxWV 147

Dietrich Buxtehude

*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 July 19: 2 Samuel 7:1-14a; Psalm 89:20-37; Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for July is **corn**. 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 Ross Robinson and Samuel McCann.

The Mission and Evangelism Committee is collecting **backpacks** for needy students in Norman elementary schools. Please bring your donation of new or lightly used backpacks to the church information table.

The **Chancel Choir** will resume rehearsals this Wednesday at 6:30 P.M. All are welcome to join us in making a joyful noise to the Lord!

We will have a **movie night** in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, July 26 at 6:00 P.M. We will show *The Good Lie*, and hot dogs and popcorn will be available.

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 **Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, and Panama**. **Give thanks for:** Those who send money back home so their families can live. Those who, like Christ, have endured humiliation, torture and death because of their embodiment of love, freedom and justice. Continuing efforts by the church, civil governments, the UN and other agencies to create an enduring culture of peace. The continuing beauty and richness of the land, and those who advocate its wise and equitable use. The Latin American Council of Churches, especially its Mesoamerica Region, and its realization of a holistic mission of evangelism and social witness. **Pray for:** Those people who live with the hard realities of persistent poverty, hunger, malnutrition, homelessness and unemployment. Farm workers and indigenous peoples, who are endangered by the loss of their lands and livelihoods, and those already displaced who seek shelter in land invasion communities. Street children,

especially in urban areas. Women exploited in jobs where they are often treated as slaves.

SUNDAY **July 12**

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

TUESDAY **July 14**

6:00 P.M. – Mission & Evangelism Meeting

WEDNESDAY **July 15**

6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY **July 16**

10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library
7:00 P.M. – Building & Grounds Meeting

SUNDAY **July 19**

9:30 A.M. – Adult Sunday School
10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
5:30 P.M. – Stewardship Meeting