

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

World Communion Sunday

October 2, 2016

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

We are not alone. Mountains and rivers are our grandfathers. Wind and sky are our grandmothers. Rain and snow are our children. Great Spirit, Holy Mystery, find us where we are and draw us closer in wonder and praise to the miracle that joins us as one: in your creating love, we rejoice.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

Psalm 133

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The world belongs to God,

The earth and all its people.

How good and how lovely it is

To live together in unity.

Let us worship the Triune God together.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Live Into Hope

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

We confess that the circle of love is repeatedly broken because of our sin of exclusion. We create separate circles; the inner circle and the outer circle, the circle of power and the circle of despair, the circle of privilege and the circle of deprivation.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us

Sung response

Kyrie eleison verse 1

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We confess that the circle of love is broken whenever there is alienation, whenever there is misunderstanding, whenever there is insensitivity or a hardening of the heart

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

Sung response

Christe eleison verse 2

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We confess that the circle of love is broken whenever we cannot see eye to eye, whenever we cannot link hand to hand, whenever we cannot live heart to heart and affirm our differences.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive all who have sinned against us.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Through God's grace we are forgiven, by the mercy of our Creator,
through the love of Christ, and in the power of the Spirit.

Let us rejoice and be glad. Glory to God! Amen.

*THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"Halle, Halle, Halleujah"
(Refrain only, sing twice)

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

MISSION MATTERS: Come to the Table of Grace

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Timothy 1:1-14

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Luke 17:5-10

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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MESSAGE

Increase Our Faith

Tracy L. Evans

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that the church
must witness against and strive against
any form of injustice,
so that justice may roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an
ever-flowing stream.**

**We believe that the church
as the possession of God
must stand where the Lord stands,
namely against injustice
and with the wronged.**

**We believe that in following Christ
the church must witness against**

The bread we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body for we all share in the one bread.

The cup of blessing for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

We who are many are one body for we all share in the one bread.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

Come to the Table of Grace
(Verse 1, repeated)

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of glory, you nourish us with bread from heaven. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that through us your light may shine into all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

O Look and Wonder

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING

May the blessing of the God of peace and justice be with us.

May the blessing of the Son who weeps the tears of the world's suffering be with us.

May the blessing of the Spirit who inspires us to reconciliation and hope be with us.

From now into eternity.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Halleluya! We Sing God's Praises
South Africa

*POSTLUDE

Sizohamba naye

*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 October 9: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7; Psalms 66:1-12; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19.

The Urban Mission item of the month for October 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 Mike and Joan Cole.

Communion servers for today's service are Joan Cole and Julie Forthman.

Is your information correct? The office is updating the directory. Please contact Lisa with any changes.

Memorial is hosting the presbytery meeting on Friday, October 7. Volunteers needed for welcoming, ushering, and serving the meal. Sign up sheet is near the office.

Trunk or Treat will be Monday, October 31 from 6:30-8:00. There will be a moon bounce, free hot dogs, popcorn, pickles and bottled water. There will be a sign up sheet for donations and to enter your trunk. This has been a wonderful outreach to our community and a lot of fun to participate in. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a frightfully good time! If you have any questions contact any Fellowship & Hospitality member.

There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, October 16, following worship. This will be to act on the slate of officers for Deacons and Ruling Elders for the Class of 2019 as presented by the Nominating Committee. The following people are being nominated: Eileen Burke, Grace Tamakong and Bree Upton for Deacon and Trudy Beard, Nick Lindley and Charlotte Lovett for Elder. Nominations may be made from the floor.

SUNDAY

OCTOBER 2

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

WEDNESDAY

OCTOBER 5

3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club
4:00 P.M. – Children's Choir
6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

FRIDAY

OCTOBER 7

8:30 A.M. – Registration for Indian Nations Presbytery Meeting
9:30 A.M. – Indian Nations Presbytery Meeting

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10:55 A.M. – Worship Service