

**Memorial Presbyterian Church**

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**May 14, 2017**

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

*Risen Christ,  
you prepare a place for us,  
in the home of the Mother-and-Father of us all.  
Draw us more deeply into yourself,  
through Scripture read,  
water splashed,  
bread broken,  
wine poured,  
so that when our hearts are troubled,  
we will know you more completely  
as the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE    Jerusalem, My Happy Home    George Shearing

BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!  
**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**  
How can we know the way of God?  
**Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.**  
Let us worship God.

\*SONG OF PRAISE    I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art    624

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Almighty God,  
your word offers freedom from sin,  
but we confess that we have not obeyed your word.  
We have harbored malice toward our enemies;  
we have been deceitful in our relationships;  
we have been insincere in our commitments;  
through gossip we have slandered our friends.  
Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance.  
Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk  
that we may grow into the joy of salvation  
through Jesus Christ. Amen.**  
(Time of silent reflection)

\*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                      581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING                      Trudy Beard

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 7:55-60

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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ANTHEM

We Sing Glory to God!

SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:1-14

The Word of the Lord.

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MESSAGE

Moving On

Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH                      The Church's One Foundation                      321

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that God's  
life-giving Word and Spirit  
has conquered the powers  
of sin and death,  
and therefore also  
of irreconciliation and hatred,  
bitterness and enmity,  
that God's life-giving Word and Spirit  
will enable the church to live  
in a new obedience  
which can open new possibilities of life  
for society and the world.**

*Adapted from the Confession of Belhar*

HONORING OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Riley Benson, James Jared Bradley, Devyn Upton

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: ...Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

The Day of Resurrection

Bell Choir

Henry T. Smart,

arr. Patrica Cota

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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\*DEDICATION PRAYER

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG

Christ Is Alive!

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\*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

To Thee, Great One is Thee

\*POSTLUDE

Postlude in D Minor

René Becker

\*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 21: Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20; 1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for May is macaroni and cheese. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

**Hearing-assistance** devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head ushers.

**Ushers** for today's service are Will and Jessica Farris.

**Mission & Evangelism invites you to a hands-on mission project this May with Habitat for Humanity! On Saturday, May 20th.** We will be working on a build site to help complete a home for a family in need. We will need folks to help with the build, but we will also need people who would like to provide and/or deliver lunch, and make a Sonic run in the afternoon. A sign-up sheet is located in the hall. We really hope you will join us for this day of fellowship and mission!

## Cameroonian Orphanage Clothing Drive

One way that our church can help kids affected by unrest in Cameroon right now is by providing clothing. A large box is in the coat area as you enter the sanctuary from now thru May. Gently used or new clothing for all ages of children would be appreciated. Have fun looking for bargains and in closets!

**You are invited to our Envelope Fundraiser for our Camp and Conference Fund.** Pick an envelope off the bulletin board in the hall.

### SUNDAY

May 14

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. – Worship Service

### MONDAY

May 15

7:00 P.M. – Suicide Prevention Training

### TUESDAY

May 16

7:00 P.M. – Session Meeting

### WEDNESDAY

May 17

3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club

5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir

6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

### THURSDAY

May 18

7:00 P.M. – Building & Grounds Meeting

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