

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

9th Sunday after Pentecost

August 6, 2017

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Glorious God,
your generosity floods the world with goodness
and you shower creation with abundance.
Awaken in us a hunger
for food to satisfy both body and heart,
that in the miracle of being fed
we may be empowered to feed the hungry
in Jesus' name. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE O God is God, O Light of Light Charles Ore

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The Lord gives food in due season;

God satisfies the desire of every living thing.

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God our redeemer, we confess
that we remain captivated by sin.**

**We fail in our love for you,
forgetting your gracious acts.**

**We fail in our love for one another,
forsaking our neighbors in need.**

Forgive us, God of grace.

**Let us be no longer bound by sin,
but released, restored, set free
to worship and serve you in freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(Time of silent reflection)

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

*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 John Beck

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 32:22-31 Page No. 26

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 14:13-21 Page No. 796

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE When God is TOO down to Earth Samuel McCann

ANTHEM Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that God is the one
who wishes to bring about justice
and true peace among people.
We believe that God,
in a world full of injustice and enmity,
is in a special way
the God of the destitute,
the poor, and the wronged.**

Adapted from the Confession of Belhar

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Impromptu No. 3 Stanley Westen

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION SONG Break Thou the Bread of Life 460

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.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God:

...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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises 538

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION Fight the Good Fight

*POSTLUDE Festive Trumpet Tune David German

*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 13: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28; Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for August 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 head usher.

Ushers for today's service are Harry Wright and Donna Vint.

Communion servers for today's service are Holly Van Auken, Breanna Upton, Loreen Upton, and Kirk Forthman.

SUNDAY

August 6

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service with Communion
- 12:00 P.M. – Deacons Meeting

MONDAY

August 7

- 6:00 P.M. – Worship Meeting

TUESDAY

August 8

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

WEDNESDAY

August 9

- 6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

SUNDAY

August 13

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

