

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

5th Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*We are your people, O God
the sheep of your pasture,
the flock you have gathered.
Lead us beside still waters;
teach us the way of righteousness;
and feed us at your table;
through Jesus Christ, our good shepherd. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want Kevin Hildebrand

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Jesus said: I am the good shepherd.

Christ lays down his life for the sheep.

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing Hymnal, No. 610

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of all hope and joy, we confess
that we continue to live in fear.**

**We speak of your great love
but our own hearts condemn us.**

**We express concern for the poor
but our own actions betray us.**

Forgive us, God of grace.

**Good shepherd, restore our souls
and lead us in right paths**

**for your name's sake;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(Time of silent reflection)

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

This is the good news of the gospel:
in 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

Hymnal, No. 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Trudy Beard

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 4:5-12

Page No. 888

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

**Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are
with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my
head with oil; my cup overflows.

**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I
shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.**

ANTHEM

Come to the Water

SCRIPTURE READING

John 10:11-18

Page No. 872

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Beautiful Shepherd

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Hymnal, No. 187

*RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS- Martina Doh and Solange Babga

...There is one body and one Spirit,
just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,

**one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all,
who is above all and through all and in all.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

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

**and in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;
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

The King of Love my Shepherd Is

Henry Coleman

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Hymnal, No. 182

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

May the God of Hope Go with Us

*POSTLUDE

Recessional on St. Columba Stephen Wurst and Michael Kutch

*Please rise in body or spirit.

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 6: Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17.

The **Food and Shelter** item of the month for April is **can openers**. 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 Jo Beth and Bruce Bailey.

Join us today for a spaghetti feast fund-raiser following worship. Proceeds go to the Camp and Conference fund.

We will also hold a church-wide garage sale on **August 4th**, so start gathering those items that are ready to be loved by another family! More details to come.

We have a new prayer chain! Just send an email to MPCprayerchain@gmail.com with "Add Me" in the subject

SUNDAY

April 29

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
12:00 P.M. – Spaghetti Lunch

WEDNESDAY

May 2

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

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