

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

8th Sunday after Pentecost

July 15, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Almighty God, we thank you
for planting in us the seed of your Word.
By your Holy Spirit,
help us to receive it with joy,
and live according to it,
that we may grow in faith and hope and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE '2. Invention' Flor Peeters

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.
God's steadfast love endures forever.
Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss.
Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE God of Grace and God of Glory Hymnal, No. 307

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Holy, triune God, we confess
that we have not lived for your glory.
You show us what is good,
but we choose the ways of evil.
You show us what is right,
but we fail to do your will.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Redeem us from our sin
and restore us to your image
so that our lives may honor you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
(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 Hymnal, No. 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING John Beck

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Samuel 6:1-19

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC Just A Closer Walk Nicholas Lindley and Michael Yeager

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 24

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it;

for he has founded it on the seas, and established it on the rivers.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

**Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their
souls to what is false, and do not swear deceitfully.**

They will receive blessing from the Lord, and vindication from the God of their
salvation.

**Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the
God of Jacob.**

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of
glory may come in.

**Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in
battle.**

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of
glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 1:3-14

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE For the Praise of His Glory Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! Hymnal, No. 839

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**The life, death, resurrection,
and promised coming of Jesus Christ
has set the pattern for the church's mission.
His human life involves the church
in the common life of all people.
His service to men and women
commits the church
to work for every form of human well-being.
His suffering makes the church sensitive
to all human suffering
so that it sees the face of Christ
in the faces of persons in every kind of need.
His crucifixion discloses to the church
God's judgment on the inhumanity
that marks human relations,
and the awful consequences
of the church's own complicity in injustice.
In the power of the risen Christ
and the hope of his coming,
the church sees the promise
of God's renewal of human life in society
and of God's victory over all wrong.
The church follows this pattern
in the form of its life
and in the method of its action.
So to live and serve
is to confess Christ as Lord.**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32–33

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response:... By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**
The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Berceuse, Op. 31 No. 19

Louis Vierne

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

Hymnal, No. 649

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE

Symphony No. 1 VI. 'Final'
Played by Solena Rizzato

Louis Vierne

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

The **Food and Shelter** item of the month for **July is jelly**. 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 Eileen Burke and Charlotte Lovett.

VBS will be July 16-19 from 6pm-8pm.

We will hold a church-wide **garage sale on August 4th**, so start gathering those items that are ready to be loved by another family! Sign up to help in the hallway. If possible please wait until the week of July 29th to start bringing your items.

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

SUNDAY **July 15**

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

MONDAY **July 16**

6:00 P.M. – Vacation Bible School

TUESDAY **July 16**

6:00 P.M. – Vacation Bible School

WEDNESDAY **July 16**

6:00 P.M. – Vacation Bible School

THURSDAY **July 16**

6:00 P.M. – Vacation Bible School

SUNDAY **July 22**

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