

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

10th Sunday after Pentecost

July 29, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Eternal God,
protector of all who put their trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
Fill us with your mercy and your grace,
that, with you to rule and guide,
we may so use the good things of this present life
that we do not neglect those of eternal worth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

'4. Prelude'

Flor Peeters

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The Lord upholds those who are falling;

God raises those who are bowed down.

*SONG OF PRAISE O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High Hymnal, No. 618

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Merciful God, we confess

that we have not followed your way.

You are always faithful to us,

yet we pursue our own desires.

You are generous beyond measure,

yet we jealously hoard your gifts.

Forgive us, God of grace.

Help us to comprehend

the height and depth and breadth

of your great love for all;

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

Hymnal, No. 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Ross Robinson

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 3:14-21

Page No. 950

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 14

Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God." They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.

The Lord looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.

They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse; there is no one who does good, no, not one.

Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread, and do not call upon the Lord?

There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous.

You would confound the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge.

O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!

When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

SPECIAL MUSIC

When You Prayed Beneath the Trees

Melinda Leseney

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:1-21

Page No. 867

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Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

And They Were Satisfied

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Jesus Knows the Inmost Heart

Hymnal, No. 427

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**The life, death, resurrection,
and promised coming of Jesus Christ
has set the pattern for the church's mission.
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:...God of abundant grace, **hear our prayer.**
The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Meditation on Kingsfold Vaughan Williams, arr. Williams

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Lord of All Good Hymnal, No. 711

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE Choral Op. 37 No. 4 Joseph Jongen

*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 August 5: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35.

The **Food and Shelter** item of the month for August is **coffee** (smaller 1 lb. packages). 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 Lucy Lanning and Charlotte Lovett.

Memorial Presbyterian will again be **collecting school supplies this year**; we are collecting for both Jackson and Kennedy Elementary. We have connections to both of these schools, so are happy to be helping out the kids at both. The stores that sell school supplies have the lists of what the kids need. Please help if you can. **We will continue collecting supplies through August.**

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, on the day or week before the sale, in the hallway.

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

SUNDAY	July 29
9:30 A.M. – Sunday School	
10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments	
10:55 A.M. – Worship Service	
WEDNESDAY	August 1
6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir	
THURSDAY	August 2
7:00 P.M. – Building and Grounds Meeting	
SATURDAY	August 4
8:00 A.M. – Church Garage Sale	
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