

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 4, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son, Christ our Lord. Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God in glory everlasting. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Prelude, Fugue, and Variation: Prelude César Franck

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord, all you saints!

Praise him all you heavenly hosts!

Let us praise the name of the Lord:

For his name only is exalted!

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob:

Isaiah, Jeremiah and all you Patriarchs and Prophets!

Miriam, Ruth and Naomi:

Elizabeth, Mary and all you Holy Women!

Matthew, Mark and Luke:

James and John and all you Evangelists and Apostles!

Stephen, Thomas, Peter and Paul:

Philip, Bartholomew and all you Holy Martyrs!

Praise the Lord!

O praise the name of the Lord!

These are the saints whose robes are washed white in the blood of the Lamb.

Praise the Lord!

We are the saints who are the living body of Christ, the Church.

Praise the Lord! O praise the name of the Lord!

*SONG OF PRAISE For All The Saints Hymnal, No. 326

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.

*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

Melissa Gill

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Revelation 21:1-6a

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 11:32-44

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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ANTHEM

Hymn Tapestry

MESSAGE

Feasting With Saints

Tracy L. Evans

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

When we were baptized into Jesus Christ, we were born anew to a living hope. By water and the Word we were united to the church, the community of saints on earth.

For all the Saints who have gone before us,

God, we give thanks for our ancestors in the faith.

For all the Saints who have been beloved to us,
God, we give thanks for our loved ones who have passed on.
For all the Saints who have left us too soon,
God, we mourn their passing, and they remain in our hearts.
For all the Saints who have exemplified the faithful life,
God, may we learn from their ways and follow You.
On this day, we name those who are in our hearts

(Worshippers are invited to go forward and place a stone in the baptismal font speaking aloud or silently the names of the saints in our hearts)

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Improvisation on Grand Isle

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION SONG I Sing a Song of the Saints of God Hymnal, No. 730

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.

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!

...Christ is the bread of life.

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the saving death of our risen Lord until he comes in glory.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC Symphony No. 2: Adagio Charles Marie Widor

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Lift High the Cross Hymnal, No. 826

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE
CHORAL BENEDICTION Lift High thee Cross

*POSTLUDE Toccata In E minor Johann Pachelbel

*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 November 11: Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17; Psalm 127; Hebrews 9:24-8; Mark 12:38-44.

The **Food & Shelter** item of the month for November is **canned meals** like Ravioli, SpaghettiOs, Beef Stew, Chili, Soups. 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 Loreen Upton and Breanna Upton.

The Fellowship and Hospitality committee is hosting the annual **Thanksgiving Potluck on Sunday, November 11**, following worship. There is a sign-up sheet in the hallway.

You are invited to a brief **remembrance service** at our columbarium following worship today. Information about inurnment will be available at that time.

SUNDAY

November 4

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

WEDNESDAY

November 7

- 3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club
- 5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir
- 6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

SUNDAY

November 11

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- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 12:00 P.M. – Thanksgiving Potluck