

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

25th Sunday after Pentecost

November 11, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*O God, your blessed Son came into the world
that he might destroy the works of evil
and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life.
Grant that, having this hope,
we may purify ourselves as he is pure;
that, when he comes again with power and great glory,
we may be made like him
in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Prelude

Percy Whitlock

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The Lord watches over the strangers;

God upholds those who are in need.

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

Hymnal, No. 363

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Eternal God, we confess
that we have failed to seek your will.
We revel in power and privilege
while many are struggling to survive.
We boast of our great contributions
while some who have little give all.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Strip us of all pride and pretense
and clothe us in your mercy alone,
ready to meet you in your glory;
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 Nicholas Lindley

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 127

Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless
the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

**It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of
anxious toil; for he gives sleep to his beloved.**

Sons are indeed a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the sons of one's youth.

Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them. He shall not be put to shame
when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

ANTHEM The Lord Reigneth

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 12:38-44

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Genuine, Grateful and Generous Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less Hymnal, No. 353

*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: ... Let your will be done, **on earth as in heaven.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Andante

Percy Whitlock

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

When the Poor Ones

Hymnal, No. 762

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

On Christ, the Solid Rock I Stand

*POSTLUDE

Darwall's 148th

James Biery

*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 18: 1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25; Mark 13:1-8.

The **Food and 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 Mike and Karen Girdner.

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

SUNDAY

November 11

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

MONDAY

November 12

6:00 P.M. – Worship Committee Meeting

TUESDAY

November 13

6:00 P.M. – Mission & Evangelism Meeting
7:00 P.M. – Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY

November 14

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

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