

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

27th Sunday after Pentecost

November 25, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*O Lord our God, we give you thanks
for the grace that is at work in us
through the gift of our baptism—
the sign of your threefold name,
the communion of your faithful people,
the promise of your glorious realm.
By the power of your Holy Spirit,
poured out upon us in baptism,
let your grace and peace grow in us,
until we gather at your heavenly throne
to give you thanks and praise forever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Symphony No.1-V. Andante

Louis Vierne

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

God provides every blessing in abundance.

Thanks be to God for the gift of grace.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Hymnal, No. 367

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Eternal God, we confess
that we have failed to seek your will.
We have not lived with gratitude
for the generous gift of your grace.
We have not shared with others
and have abused your good creation.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Help us to return to you,
giving thanks and praise
for all you have done;
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

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 9:6–15

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,

O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts.

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;
you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

**By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with
might.**

You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the
peoples.

**Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you
make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.**

You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of
water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

**You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with
showers, and blessing its growth.**

You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,
the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with
grain,

they shout and sing together for joy.

ANTHEM

Celtic Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17:11-19

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Thanks be to God.

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MESSAGE

Still Giving Thanks

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

At the Name of Jesus

Hymnal, No. 264

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Life is a gift to be received with gratitude
and a task to be pursued with courage.
People are free to seek life
within the purpose of God:
to develop and protect the resources of nature
for the common welfare,
to work for justice and peace in society,
and in other ways to use their creative powers
for the fulfillment of human life.**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.17

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Sonata No. 2- II. Larghetto

Alexandre Guilmant

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Hymnal, No. 35

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Of the Father's Love Begotten

*POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune In D major

David Johnson

*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 December 2: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36.

The **Food and Shelter** item of the month for December is **scarves and gloves**. 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 Trudy Beard and Jo Beth Bailey.

Mark your calendars for December 16. Following worship we will be having a potluck and pageant. The children and youth will be presenting **Don't Freak Out: A Christmas Pageant**.

If you did not receive a stewardship packet and want one, please let us know and Lisa can get one to you.

SUNDAY

November 25

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

WEDNESDAY

November 28

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

SUNDAY

December 2

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