

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

4th Sunday after Epiphany

February 3, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Holy God,
you confound the world's wisdom
by giving your kingdom to the lowly
and pure in heart.
Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice
and perseverance in striving for peace,
that by our words and deeds
the world may see the promise of your kingdom,
revealed in 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

Prelude

Alexandre Guilmant

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We have traveled to this holy place,
to worship God together.
We have come seeking a word from God,
a whisper of assurance from the One who calls us.
We have come longing for a glimpse of God,
or a glimpse of the world the way God sees it.
Through our worship, music, learning, and laughter,
may God focus our sight through the lens of God's love.
Let us worship God together!

*SONG OF PRAISE

Here in This Place

Hymnal, No. 401

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Before we were formed in the womb, O God, you knew us and you loved us.
Before we have uttered a prayer, O God, you hear us and you love us.
You call us to reflect your love, to be Love for one another.
Too often, we are clanging symbols, aiming for volume rather than love.
Too often, we are greedy beings, searching for success rather than love.
Too often, we are shallow followers, content with comfort rather than love.
Forgive us, God of mercy, and love us into wholeness.**
(Time of silent reflection)

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

Charlotte Lovett

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Page No. 609

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 71:1-6

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

**In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me
and save me.**

Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and
my fortress.

**Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of
the unjust and cruel.**

For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

**Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me from my
mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.**

SCRIPTURE READING

I Corinthians 13:1-13

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Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Known, Claimed and Loved

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Though I May Speak

Hymnal, No. 693

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Hymnal, p. 35

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response:... O God of grace, **bless us with peace.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

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*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

ANTHEM

See the Bread, See the Wine

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.

...Therefore we praise you, joining the song
of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

...Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.**

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

...Through the Lord Jesus Christ,
in the unity of the Spirit,
we bless you, God of glory,
now and forever. **Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

Communion

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

