

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 20, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Almighty and everlasting God,
in Christ you have revealed
your glory among the nations.
Preserve the works of your mercy,
that your church throughout the world
may persevere with steadfast faith
in the confession of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision

Franklin Ashdown

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 119: 97-104

Oh, how I love your law! It is my meditation all day long.

**Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is
always with me.**

I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are my meditation.

I understand more than the aged, for I keep your precepts.

I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word.

I do not turn away from your ordinances, for you have taught me.

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

**Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every
false way.**

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

Hymnal, No. 490

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Almighty and merciful God,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much
the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against your holy laws.
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Spare those who confess their faults.
Restore those who are penitent,
according to your promises declared to the world
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O merciful God, for his sake,
that we may live a holy, just, and humble life
to the glory of your holy name.**
(Time of silent reflection)

I declare to you, 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 to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me
Hymnal, No. 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Joan Cole

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me Children and Youth Choir

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 6:1-5

Page No. 917

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Costly Grace

Samuel McCann

*SONG OF FAITH

When I survey the Wonderous Cross

Hymnal, No. 224

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

Hymnal, Page 34

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response:... through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

(You are invited to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of your choosing)

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Simple Gifts

Liz Story

*DOXOLOGY

Know That God Is Good

Hymnal, No. 659

Know that God is good. Know that God is good.

Know that God is good; God good; God is good.

Halle, hallelujah. Halle, hallelujah.

Halle, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.

*DEDICATION PRAYER

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

*POSTLUDE

Lift High the Cross

Ronald Arnatt

*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 October 27: Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-4.

The **Food & Shelter** item of the month for October is **soup**. 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 Charlotte Lovett and Breanna Upton.

This year our church will continue our long-time support for the CLEVELAND COUNTY **CROP WALK which will be held today**, Memorial Presbyterian Church youth set up their display – 1PM, Registration of walkers – 1:30PM, Walk begins – 2PM. The funds raised support Food and Shelter, an organization that we support with food collections, and Church World Service, a cooperative ministry of denominations including PCUSA. Church World Service uses proceeds from CROP Walk to fight hunger, provide sustainable development, disaster relief and refugee assistance, in the U.S. and around the world.

We will provide lunch for our walkers, rides to Andrews Park, and rides home if needed. Please sign up as a walker or driver at the display in the hall. You may contribute with a check or go online to: clevelandcountycropwalk.org and donate under our team name: Memorial Presbyterian Church.

There will be a **Called Congregational Meeting following worship on Sunday, October 27** for the purpose of electing officers for the class of 2023. The Nominating Committee will present the slate of officers for Session: Solange Bobga, Alice Lanning and Michael Yeager. For Deacon: Susan Beck, Lisa Upton and Donna Vint Wright. Nominations from the floor are always allowed.

There will be an All Saints day service on November 3. You are invited to a brief **remembrance service** at our columbarium following worship. Information about inurnment will be available at that time.

SUNDAY**October 20**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 2:00 P.M. – CROP Walk
- 5:30 P.M. – Stewardship Meeting

WEDNESDAY**October 23**

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

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- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 12:00 P.M. – Called Congregational Meeting

KNOWN JOYS & CONCERNS

Those who seek healing

Lola Carroll
Sandy Clarke
Jan Cunningham
Jim Eckel
Laura Eckel
Doug Forsyth
Alice Lanning
Jayelle Martin
Gene Thraikill
Jona Thiessen
Devyn Upton
Karen Upton
Janann Yeager
Darrell Hinson (Karen Upton's father)
Paul Gallagher (Karen Upton's biological father)
Carole Jo Evans (Tracy Evans' mother)

Those who Experienced Recent Loss

John Beck whose mother Mary Jean died on August 19.

Seminary Graduate

Samuel McCann, Pittsburgh Theo. Seminary

We lift up in prayer the country of Cameroon and pray for the unrest our brothers and sisters are experiencing there.

Birthdays

October 22– Erica Phelps

October 23– Caitlin Stensrud

As part of the **ecumenical prayer cycle**, we ask you to pray for a particular region of the world each week: **The Caribbean: Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, Bahamas, Barbados, Cuba, Curaçao, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Sint Maarten, St Kitts-Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago**

We are thankful for:

- the natural beauty, climate, and distinctive cultural practices of these islands
- how churches have responded to disasters and served all in need
- how liberation from colonialism and oppression has been pursued through music, words and actions
- the leaders of the ecumenical movement who have come from this region.

We pray for:

- those devastated by disasters, that their lives, communities and eco-systems might be rebuilt
- the strengthening of all who faithfully witness through word and deed to the gospel
- all those affected by crime and addictions
- good governance and smooth transitions between political leaders.