

# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

10th Sunday after Pentecost

August 1, 2021

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Almighty God,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry  
with the bread of his life  
and the Word of his kingdom.  
Renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living bread,  
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

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

When the people of God were hungry,  
**God rained manna upon them,  
and they ate until they were full.**

When the people of God are hungry,  
**God calls us to taste the goodness of God's gifts,  
and to share our bread with one another.**

Let us worship the One who is the Bread of Life,  
**and watch for a glimpse of the heavenly banquet.**

#### \*SONG OF PRAISE

In Christ There Is No East or West

Hymnal, No. 318

#### \*CONFESSION AND PARDON

It is only by the power of God  
that we are able to stand against evil.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

**You are the Bread of Life, O God,  
and you promise that we will never hunger again,  
but we do hunger, O Lord, and often for the wrong things.  
You feed us with grace, but we hunger for achievements.  
You offer us peace, but we hunger for control.  
You bless us with plenty to share,  
but we are quick to hoard the gifts we call ours.  
Forgive us, O Bread of Life, and by your forgiveness  
teach us to hunger for things that you do:  
to hunger for justice, to long for equality,  
to work for the common good**

**until none of your children have to hunger for bread.**

(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

### **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

Page No. 951

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 78:23-29

Yet he commanded the skies above, and opened the doors of heaven;

**he rained down on them manna to eat, and gave them the grain of heaven.**

Mortals ate of the bread of angels; he sent them food in abundance.

**He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens, and by his power he led out the south wind;**

he rained flesh upon them like dust, winged birds like the sand of the seas;

**he let them fall within their camp, all around their dwellings.**

And they ate and were well filled, for he gave them what they craved.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:24-35

Page No. 867

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Perishable Things

Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH

Let Us Break Bread Together

Hymnal, No. 525

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith using words adapted from the Confession of 1967.

**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:... God of abundant grace, **hear our prayer.**

#### **SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

#### THE OFFERING

*The offering plates are in the narthex.*

*You are invited to make an offering as you depart today; those who are worshipping  
with us on-line will find information on giving on the church website,  
[www.memorialpres.org](http://www.memorialpres.org).*

#### 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.**

...Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 35

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Jesus said: I am the bread of life.

Jesus said: I am the vine, you are the branches.

Come to me and never be hungry;

believe in me and never thirst.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG

I Come with Joy

Hymnal, No. 515

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

\*POSTLUDE

\*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 August 8: Semicontinuous: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 and Psalm 130; Complementary: 1 Kings 19:4-8 and Psalm 34:1-8; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51

We are truly grateful for you joining us today, in person or via live streaming. This is new for us all, and we thank you for your patience with this new way. We will be adapting and changing as we work together to worship with devotion and safety protocols. If you have comments or suggestions, please let the pastor or a worship committee member know.

**Hearing-assistance** devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head usher.

## **MISSION AND EVANGELISM**

This is an update on opportunities to help in our community.

Clothing: The First Baptist Church has notified us that they need the following items. As you know, they serve the clients of Food and Shelter, and others. If you can donate any of these items, please leave them by the food collection box outside Tracy's office: Men's athletic shoes, Men's shorts and jeans - waist sizes 30, 32, & 34, Sleeping bags and backpacks. Food: Please leave any non-perishable items in our food box.

**Thank you for your support of our mission work.**

**Saturday, August 7 from 4-6pm** there will be a Celebration of Life Luau honoring Doug Forsyth. National Weather Museum and Science Center 1200 W. Rock Creek Road, Norman, OK.

# 318 In Christ There Is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in  
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their  
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -  
4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in

him no south or north, but one great fel - low -  
high com - mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the  
e'er your race may be. All chil - dren of the  
him meet south and north. All Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.  
liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.  
one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

# Let Us Break Bread Together 525

1 Let us break bread to-gether on our knees; (on our knees)  
2 Let us drink wine to-gether on our knees; (on our knees)  
3 Let us praise God to-gether on our knees; (on our knees)

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## Refrain

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun,

O Lord, have mer-cy on me. (on me)



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
 2 I come with Chris-tians far and near to find, as all are  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion  
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has




free, the life of Je - sus to re - call, in  
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in  
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and  
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -  
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the




love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, in Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.  
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

