

# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

August 11, 2024

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

In the touch of a lover's hand,  
in the tickling fingers of a child,  
in the brush strokes on a canvas,  
in the notes played on a violin,  
You Are the grace of life  
in our hearts.

In the meals neighbors bring during grief,  
in the cold lemonade of children on the corner,  
in the cookies and milk offered after school,  
in the sacks of groceries shared with the homeless,  
You Are the Bread of life,  
in our moments.

In the gentle showers of summer,  
in the cool breezes of autumn,  
in the brittle stars of winter,  
in the butterflies of spring,  
You Are the Spirit of life,  
in our midst.

By Rev. Thom M. Shuman

PRELUDE Sarabande Ian Higginson

BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Vince Leseney  
Please rise in body or spirit for the Call to Worship.

Out of the depths we cry to you, O God.

**Hear our voices!**

We wait for you;

**in your word we hope.**

O magnify our God with me.

**Let us lift God's name together,**

for we sought the Holy One

and they answered us;

**God delivered us from all fear.**

Look to God, beloved, and be radiant.

\*SONG OF PRAISE Morning Has Broken Hymnal, No. 664

\*CONFESSION AND PARDON  
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

**We break your heart, God of all the world,  
by the respectable lives we lead.  
Blessed by you with every gift, we practice thrift towards others.**

**Seeking to be good and proper Christians, we overlook you  
in the company of the poor, the oppressed, those without a voice.  
We choose to spread gossip about our friends and neighbors,  
when we could speak gently to them.**

**Forgive us for the pain we cause you and other people, Grieving God.  
Help us to make a clean break  
with those habits which keep us from wholeness.  
Open us to the movement of your Spirit within us.  
Feed us with the Bread of Life,  
so we might have the love and passion to feed the world.  
This we pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.  
(Time of silent reflection)**

Let us be quick to forgive, even as God has forgiven us.  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*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

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 (x3)  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING**

Larry Upton

**SCRIPTURE READING**

John 6:35, 41-51

Page No. 868

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSIVE PSALM**

Psalms 34:1-8

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.**

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

**I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.**

Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.

**This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble.**

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

**O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.**

SCRIPTURE READING

I Kings 19:4-8

Page No. 284

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Get Up and Eat

Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH

O for a Closer Walk with God

Hymnal, No. 739

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rom. 8:1, 28, 38, 39

**We believe there is no condemnation  
for those who are in Christ Jesus;  
for we know that all things work together for good  
for those who love God,  
who are called according to God's purpose.  
We are convinced that neither death, nor life,  
nor angels, nor rulers,  
nor things present, nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 35

Please pray the Lord's Prayer  
in the language and wording most familiar to you.

THE OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:  
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG

For Everyone Born

Hymnal, No. 769

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

\*POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Ian Higginson

\*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 18: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14 and Psalm 111; Proverbs 9:1-6 and Psalm 34:9-14; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58.

The Food & Shelter items of the month for August are pasta and pasta sauce. **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.

## Morning Has Broken 664

C                    Am   Dm   G                    Dm   G   C

The first line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff in 4/4 time. It consists of eight measures. The notes are: C4, D4, E4, F4, G4, A4, B4, C5. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: C above the first measure, Am above the second, Dm above the third, G above the fourth, Dm above the fifth, G above the sixth, and C above the seventh. The eighth measure is a whole note C4.

1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black - bird has  
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first  
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the

Em   Am   Em   F   G   C                    Am   E   C

The second line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff in 4/4 time. It consists of eight measures. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: Em above the first, Am above the second, Em above the third, F above the fourth, G above the fifth, C above the sixth, Am above the seventh, and E above the eighth. The eighth measure is a whole note C4.

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the  
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet  
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery

Am   G   C                    G   Am   G7                    C

The third line of musical notation is on a treble clef staff in 4/4 time. It consists of eight measures. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: Am above the first, G above the second, C above the third, G above the fourth, Am above the fifth, G7 above the sixth, and C above the seventh. The eighth measure is a whole note C4.

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.  
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

# O for a Closer Walk with God 739



1 O for a clos - er walk with God, a  
2 Re - turn, O ho - ly Dove, re - turn, sweet  
3 The dear - est i - dol I have known, what -  
4 So shall my walk be close with God, calm



calm and heaven - ly frame, a light to shine up -  
mes - sen - ger of rest! I hate the sins that  
e'er that i - dol be, help me to tear it  
and se - rene my frame; so pur - er light shall



on the road that leads me to the Lamb!  
made thee mourn and drove thee from my breast.  
from thy throne, and wor - ship on - ly thee.  
mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

## 769

## For Everyone Born



1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,  
 2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,  
 3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,  
 4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,  
 5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,  
 re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,  
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,  
 a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,  
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,  
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,  
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,  
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,  
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,  
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,  
 for young and for old, the right to be - long,  
 for just and un - just, a new way to live,  
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,

Refrain

B All E E/G# A2 Bsus B

and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and

E E/G# A2 Bsus B

joy, com-pas - sion and peace: yes,

C#m C#m/B A2

God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,

Bsus B (E) Fine A2 E Bsus B

jus-tice and joy!