

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2014

Let all who enter enjoy the fellowship of friends until the bells call us to worship. Let us then, in oneness of spirit, turn our reverent attention to the worship of God.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

God of blessing,
in love, faithfulness, and truth.
Help us to carry out the vows we make:
to adore you with our whole heart,
to live in mutual support of one another,
and to love as if your reign has fully come. Amen.

WFI COMF AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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God Is Calling through the Whisper Sondra K. Tucker

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 119:1-8

Happy are those whose way is blameless,

who walk in the law of the Lord.

Happy are those who keep the decrees of the Lord and walk in God's ways.

O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!

Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

Let us worship God!

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of compassion, have mercy upon us.

You have given us statutes, but we follow our own desires.

We know of your laws, yet we try to justify our own way.

You desire obedience, we practice rebellion.

You offer blessing, we search for scapegoats.

Make us mindful of how we disorder your intentions.

Set us aright in accord with your design for us.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*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

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

The Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Matthew 5:21-27

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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ANTHEM Be Still and Know That I Am God

MESSAGE Raising the Stakes Tracy L. Evans

SONG OF FAITH Give to the Winds Thy Fears 815

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

After each petition, please respond with:

Loving God, help us to turn our hearts toward you.

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY We Are One in the Spirit Wilbur Held

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 606
DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG We Are One in the Spirit 300

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE Praeludium in G major Nicolaus Bruhns

*Those who are able may stand.

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 February 23: Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18; Psalm 119:33-40; 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23; Matthew 5:38-48.

The Urban Mission item of the month for February is **canned beans**. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

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

Ushers for today's service are Jim and Linda Rodriguez.

Bring a white elephant gift wrapped in newspaper, and a snack to share, to **White Elephant Bingo** this Friday, from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. Drinks will be provided. All ages welcome. White Elephant Bingo is more fun than a barrel of monkeys!

SUNDAY	February 16

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. - Worship Service

4:30 P.M. - Deacons meeting

5:30 P.M. - Stewardship meeting

MONDAY February 17

6:30 P.M. - Worship & Music meeting

TUESDAY February 18

7:00 P.M. – Session meeting

WEDNESDAY February 19

3:15 р.м. – Kids' Club

5:00 р.м. – Children's Choir

7:00 P.M. - Chancel Choir

THURSDAY February 20

10:30 а.м. – Bible Study in Library

7:00 P.M. – Building & Grounds meeting

FRIDAY February 21

7:00 P.M. – White Elephant Bingo

SUNDAY February 23

9:30 A.M. - Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. – Worship Service - Communion

5:00 P.M. – Memorial Youth Group