

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

January 18, 2015

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

You invite us, O God,
to live in your ways,
and you give us to each other
to know and to love
as we journey in this life.
Show us your will for all creation.
Help us to listen to your urgings
with prayerful hearts
so that we may honor
what you have made,
in the name of the holy Trinity,
one God, now and forever, Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE I, the Lord of Sea and Sky John Carter

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord God calls to us by name.

With Samuel we answer: Here I am.

The Lord Jesus calls us to follow him.

With Philip and Nathanael we rise and go.

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM (Schutte)

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully

as creatures in need of your constant care.

We confess that we have neither heard your word nor followed your will.

We have failed our nation, neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves.

Give us ears to hear your wisdom.

Lead us to honesty and faith

so that we may begin again with renewed strength;

in Jesus' name. Amen.

*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

1 Samuel 3:1-10

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 1:43-51

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ANTHEM May the Peace of Christ Reign

MESSAGE Come and See Tracy L. Evans

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

What does our creation in God's image reflect about God's reality?

Our being created in and for relationship is a reflection of the Holy Trinity. In the mystery of the one God, the three divine persons—
Father, Son and Holy Spirit—
live in, with and for one another eternally in perfect love and freedom.

Adapted from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Study Catechism, Question 17

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

(Response) ...God of grace, hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Two-Part Invention in C Major, BWV 772 J. S. Bach

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

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Lift Every Voice and Sing 339
LIFT EVERY VOICE

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION Lead Me, Guide Me

*POSTLUDE Allegro, ma non troppo Ludwig van Beethoven

Sonata in G major, Op. 49, no. 2, 1st movement

*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 January 25: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-12; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20.

The **Urban Mission item** of the month for January is **peanut butter and crackers.** 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 Karen and Paul Upton.

Our **Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held in Fellowship Hall following worship on Sunday, February 1, along with a potluck lunch.

The **Board of Deacons** invites you to gather in Fellowship Hall immediately following worship today as we honor the members of our congregation who have reached **80 years** young and above. The food and birthday cake will be fabulous and the fellowship of our congregation will be blessed by your presence! Everyone is welcome!

Parents Helping Parents will meet at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, Jan. 22 at the Education Center at Norman Regional Hospital, 901 North Porter. For more information, call 278-1221 or go to the website: www.ParentsHelpingParents.info

Fellowship & Hospitality will host a **Cabin Fever Social** and Sloppy Joe dinner from 5:00 to 8:00 P.M. this Saturday, January 24 in Fellowship Hall. The dinner will be served at 5:30. Please bring either some chips or cookies/brownies to share at the dinner. Everyone of all ages is welcome to come! There will be board & card games, crafts, a movie with popcorn for the kids and/or adults and the best of all: lots of socializing.

As part of the **ecumenical prayer cycle**, we ask you to pray for a particular region of the world each week. This week we pray for Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Western Sahara, and Tunisia. We give thanks for the testimony of St. Augustine and other theologians of the early church; for the harsh beauty of the desert;

and for the tiny minority of Christians who live faithful lives of love and witness. We pray for an end to armed attacks and clashes in Libya; for an openness that recognizes and values differences, especially among religious faiths; for children and youth, who comprise more than half the population of these countries; for those who must live with the presence and impact of landmines, particularly in Libya; and for those who risk their lives to cross the sea for entry into Europe.

SUNDAY January 18

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. - Worship Service

12:00 P.M. - Deacons' Over 80 Celebration

3:30 P.M. - M.Y. Group

5:30 P.M. - Stewardship Meeting

TUESDAY January 20

7:00 P.M. – Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY January 21

3:15 р.м. – Kids' Club

5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir

6:30 р.м. – Chancel Choir

THURSDAY January 22

10:30 а.м. – Bible Study in Library

SATURDAY January 24

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