



# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2015

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Loving God, we are the sheep of your hand,  
the people of your pasture.*

*You know us; we are yours.*

*You call us; we listen for your voice.*

*Protect us from false leaders and hired hands  
who would seek to snatch us from safety.*

*Keep us in the security of your fold  
and unite us with your people in all the earth.  
By your Spirit, make us one flock, one people;  
through the one who laid down his life for us,  
Jesus Christ, the good shepherd. Amen.*

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

Robert Hobby

### BRINGING THE LIGHT

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

**He lays down his life for his sheep.**

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

**He knows us, and we belong to him.**

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

**He speaks, and we listen for his voice.**

\*SONG OF PRAISE

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

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#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of all hope and joy, we confess  
that we continue to live in fear.  
We speak of your great love  
but our own hearts condemn us.  
We express concern for the poor  
but our own actions betray us.  
Forgive us, God of grace.  
Good shepherd, restore our souls  
and lead us in right paths  
for your name's sake;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

...in 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*

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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

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 4:5-12

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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celebration. If you would like to contribute, simply mark your donation "50th Anniversary Celebration". There is no specific line item in our budget for the party, so anything received will be greatly appreciated!

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 Eritrea and Ethiopia. We give thanks for the faithful witness of Ethiopian and Eritrean Christians; for ancient traditions, and new possibilities for proclaiming the faith of the risen Christ; for those who serve the poor and the hungry; for injera (Ethiopian bread) and wat (a sauce for meat and vegetables). We pray for governments marked by peace and justice; for the settling of border disputes by diplomatic means instead of violence; for new sources of food and potable water that can be developed affordably; for medical personnel to be trained and clinics to be made available for the people; for refugees and those who have been displaced from their homes and villages; for those suffering from AIDS, tuberculosis and other diseases, who have no access to medical care.

**SUNDAY**

**April 26**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 12:00 P.M. – Worship & Music Meeting

**WEDNESDAY**

**April 29**

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

**THURSDAY**

**April 30**

- 10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

**SUNDAY**

**May 3**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service