

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Trinity Sunday May 31, 2015

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Holy God, source of all goodness, you gave your Son for the life of the world and sent your Spirit that your love might abide within us.

Teach us how to love each other this day, that we may have life, and have it abundantly, with you, in Christ, and through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Ground with Holy, Holy, Holy

Cindy Berry

BRINGING THE LIGHT

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Michael Yeager, Elder

Heaven and earth declare God's glory: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!

And in the temple, God's people cry:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Come, Thou Almighty King

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. You came to love and save the world but we condemn others in your name. You send us out to tell good news but we hide from our calling in fear. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us new life in your Spirit so that we may serve you faithfully and live as your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*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

Romans 8:12-17 Page No. 983

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

John 3:1-17 Page No. 924

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Arise, Your Light Has Come Holly Van Auken

MESSAGE Questions at Night Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH I Believe in God the Father 481

GENEVAN 42

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

What is God's purpose for your life?

God wills that I should live by the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, for the love of God.

and in the communion of the Holy Spirit.

Adapted from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Study Catechism, Question 1

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: ... By your Spirit, O God, transform our lives.

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY Holy God, We Praise Your Name David Cherwien

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 606

DEDICATION PRAYER Let us pray together.

Holy God, your love overflows in the gift of your Spirit.

Bless these gifts that we offer that they may spread your blessing

in a world of hurt and need:

in Christ's name. Amen.

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Holy God, We Praise Your Name

GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE Processional in E-flat David Johnson

*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.

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 Lesotho, Namibia, South Africa and Swaziland. We give thanks for those around the world who worked for an end to apartheid and who continue to strive against racism in all its forms; for the prophet Ntsikana, the first Xhosa Christian convert, whose witness led to the spread of the Christian faith among the Xhosa people in South Africa during the early nineteenth century; for those who care for children who have been orphaned by the HIV and AIDS crisis; for songs which proclaim justice, freedom, and hope; and for ecumenical efforts in these countries as they seek to find unity and face political, social, and cultural challenges with a united voice of faith and witness. We pray for stability and justice in the government, that all may receive fair treatment; for those who lead subsistence lives, who continue to live in substandard housing, are unemployed, who do not have access to safe water or sanitation, who suffer from malnutrition and the effects of drought; for continued healing and rebuilding of these nations that have been torn apart on the basis of race; and for parents who see their children die of disease and malnutrition, and children who see their parents die of AIDS.

Lectionary Readings for June 7: 1 Samuel 8:4-11 (12-15) 16-20 (11:14-15); Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13 – 5:1; Mark 3:20-35.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for May is peanut butter. 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 Kirk and Jessica Forthman.

SUNDAY May 31

9:30 A.M. – Adult Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. - Worship Service

WEDNESDAY June 3

6:30 P.M. - Chancel Choir

THURSDAY June 4

10:30 A.M. – Bible Study in Library

SUNDAY June 7

9:30 A.M. – Adult Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

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

12:00 P.M. - Worship & Music Meeting