

Memorial Presbyterian Church

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January 01, 2016

10:55 a.m.



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1st Sunday after Christmas Day

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GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Praise is our cry, O Holy One of Israel,
for you have come among us
and borne our burdens.
Give us open hearts,
that we might embrace
our suffering sisters and brothers,
and welcome Jesus in the hospitality
we show to exiles. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

In dulci jubilo

J.S. Bach

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

There is good news of great joy for all!

Our Savior is born: the Messiah, the Lord.

I will proclaim the gracious deeds of God;

the steadfast love of the Lord is great.

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

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*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God-with-us, we confess
that we have not embraced your love.**

**Christ has come into the world,
and yet we do not know him.**

**He has called us to be his own,
and yet we do not accept him.**

Forgive us, God of grace.

**Show us your mercy and truth
until we know in fullness**

**your good news of great joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

In the name of 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.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

...Christ is the bread of life:

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,

We proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,

Until you come in glory.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee 611

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE Variations on Noël Louis Daquin

*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 8: Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalms 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:15-17.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for January is soup. 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 Mike and Joan Cole.

Communion servers for today's service are Linda Eckel, Charlotte Lovett, Ross Robinson and Holly Van Auken.

Kids' Club starts up again this Wednesday, January 4. We are always looking for more volunteers for this after-school program. Do you have an hour or more to give? Contact Holly Van Auken for more info, 326-1999

SUNDAY

January 1

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

WEDNESDAY

January 4

- 3:15 P.M. – Kids' Club
- 4:00 P.M. – Children's Choir
- 6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

SUNDAY

January 8

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service with Ordination and Installation of Officers