

Memorial Presbyterian Church

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2017

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Almighty God,
you make the sun rise on the evil and on the good,
send rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous.
Give us grace to follow your example
and show kindness toward friend and enemy,
that we may live as your children who testify to your
all-inclusive love. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE A Liturgical Prelude George Oldroyd

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*SONG OF PRAISE The Church's One Foundation 321

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of glory, we confess
that we have not sought your face.
We adore the high and mighty
and ignore your humble servant.
We act with prejudice and partiality
and fail to share your love for all.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Pour out the power of your Spirit
and renew us in our calling:
to show the wonder of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
(Time of silent reflection)

*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.

*SONG OF RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Melissa Gill

SCRIPTURE READING

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

Page No. 93

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 119:33-40

Page No. 494

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Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:38-48

Page No. 786

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MESSAGE

Being Perfect

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Help Us Accept Each Other

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe that the church must together
come to know the height and the breadth
and the depth of the love of Christ.**

**We believe that together we are built up
to the stature of Christ, the new humanity.**

**We believe that we must together
know and bear one another's burdens,
thereby fulfilling the law of Christ.**

**We believe that we are called
to admonish and comfort one another;
to suffer with one another
for the sake of righteousness;
to pray together;
and together serve God in this world.**

Adapted from the Confession of Belhar

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response:... Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

One Foundation

Albert Beck

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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DEDICATION PRAYER

(LBO) Almighty God,
by your grace, accept our offering.
Make us joyful in giving
that we may grow in likeness to your supreme gift,
Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

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*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Processional on Darwall's 148th

Michael Kutch

*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 26: Exodus 24:12-18; Psalms 2 or Psalms 99; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for February 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 Jona and Tim Thiessen .

You are invited to attend a Lenten study led by Tracy Evans on Sunday evenings, beginning March 9 from 5:00 to 6:00. We will study the book Forgiveness, written by Marjorie J. Thompson. Thompson is well known for her book Soul Feast: An Invitation to the Christian Spiritual Life. She is a Presbyterian pastor and spent thirteen years as Director of Congregational Spirituality with Upper Room Ministries. Sign up sheet is in the hallway.

Come on Wednesday, March 1st at 7:00 pm for our **Ash Wednesday Worship**. This service is an excellent way to begin the penitent season of Lent.

SUNDAY

February 19

- 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 a.m. – Worship Service
- 12:00 p.m. – Deacons Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. – Stewardship Meeting

TUESDAY

February 21

- 7:00 p.m. – Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY

February 22

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

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