# **Memorial Presbyterian Church**

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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

May 28, 2017

#### **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

O God of glory,
your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us
and ascended to your right hand.
Unite us with Christ and each other,
in suffering and in joy,
that all your children may be drawn
into your bountiful dwelling. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Andante (from Postlude in D Minor) Renè Becker

BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Michael Yeager

Let the righteous be joyful! Let them rejoice before God.

Let us all be jubilant with joy!

Sing to God, all peoples of the world.

Sing praises to God most high.

From the sanctuary of heaven,
God gives life and renews the face of the earth.

Let the righteous be joyful! Let them rejoice before God.

Let us all be jubilant with joy!

\*SONG OF PRAISE Come, Christians, Join to Sing 267

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

Loving God,

we confess that we do not always bring honor and glory to your name.

We are rebellious and weak;

we flee before your goodness.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us by the grace and mercy of Christ,

that we may rise up again in peace to love and serve your world. Amen.

(Time of silent reflection)

#### \*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 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

MOMENT FOR MISSION

### **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING Kirk Forthman

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

Acts 1:6-14 Page No. 884

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM This is My Father's World

(See insert)

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

John 17:1-11 Page No. 879

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Jesus' Legacy in Prayer Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH At the Name of Jesus 264

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that God's
life-giving Word and Spirit
has conquered the powers
of sin and death,
and therefore also
of irreconciliation and hatred,
bitterness and enmity,
that God's life-giving Word and Spirit
will enable the church to live
in a new obedience
which can open new possibilities of life
for society and the 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 Invention in A minor J. S. Bach

\*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 606

\*DEDICATION PRAYER

# FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*SENDING SONG Crown Him with Many Crowns 268

\*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION Praise Yet our Christ Again

\*POSTLUDE Crown Him Wilbur Held

\*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 June 4: Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21; John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for May is macaroni and cheese. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

**Hearing-assistance** devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head usher.

**Ushers** for today's service are Ross Robinson and Loreen Upton.

**Next Sunday** is Pentecost. You are invited to wear red as we celebrate the birth of the Christian church.

**Would you like to assist with Vacation Bible School?** It will be held July 24-27 in the evenings. There will be a planning meeting Tuesday, June 6 at 5:30. Contact Jessica Farris or Tracy Evans for more info.

You are invited to a picnic following worship on Sunday, June 11. Sign up in the hallways to bring a side or dessert.

# **Cameroonian Orphanage Clothing Drive**

One way that our church can help kids affected by unrest in Cameroon right now is by providing clothing. A large box is in the coat area as you enter the sanctuary from now thru May. Gently used or new clothing for all ages of children would be appreciated. Have fun looking for bargains and in closets!

You are invited to our Envelope Fundraiser for our Camp and Conference Fund. Pick an envelope off the bulletin board in the hall. Today is the last day.

SUNDAY May 28

9:30 A.M. – Sunday School

10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. - Worship Service

Monday May 29

Office Closed

WEDNESDAY May 31

6:30 P.M. - Chancel Choir

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10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments

10:55 A.M. – Worship Service

