

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

4th Sunday after Pentecost

June 17, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*God, you are the gardener of all creation.
You planted this world with the seeds of your love
and grow them with your faithfulness.
We are your harvest; we find our meaning and sustenance in you.
May our minds listen to you calling,
may our hearts be attuned to your will,
may our feet follow you in the world,
through Jesus, the Word become flesh. Amen.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Cathedral Prelude

Johannes Plag

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The kingdom of God is like a tiny mustard seed;

it grows into a great plant with many branches.

Let us worship God.

*SONG OF PRAISE

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Hymnal, No. 263

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**Gracious God,
our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide,
and too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us
a consuming fire of judgment.
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**
(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

Hymnal, No. 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Charlotte Lovett

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Charlotte Lovett

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 4:26-34

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalms 20

The Lord answer you in the day of trouble! The name of the God of Jacob
protect you!

**May he send you help from the sanctuary, and give you support from
Zion.**

May he remember all your offerings, and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices.

May he grant you your heart's desire, and fulfill all your plans.

May we shout for joy over your victory, and in the name of our God set up our
banners.

May the Lord fulfill all your petitions.

Now I know that the Lord will help his anointed;

**he will answer him from his holy heaven with mighty victories by his right
hand.**

Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses,

but our pride is in the name of the Lord our God.

They will collapse and fall,

but we shall rise and stand upright.

Give victory to the king, O Lord;

answer us when we call.

ANTHEM

Come, My Soul

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

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Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Dangerous Mission of Newness Nancy Hendrix

*SONG OF FAITH For the Fruit of All Creation Hymnal, No. 36

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Q. What is your only comfort in life and death?

A. **That I am not my own,**

but belong—

body and soul,

in life and in death—

to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,

and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He watches over me in such a way

that not a hair can fall from my head

without the will of my Father in heaven;

in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him,

Christ, by his Holy Spirit,

assures me of eternal life

and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready

from now on to live for him.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Lord of the Dance

Shaker Tune

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Draw the Welcome Circle Wider See Insert

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION

God Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

*POSTLUDE

Rondeau

J. Joseph Mouret

*Please rise in body or spirit.

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 25: 1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49 and Psalm 9:9-20; or 1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16 and Psalm 133; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41.

The **Food & Shelter** item of the month for June is **cereal**. 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 Mike and Karen Girdner.

We **welcome Mary Doezeema** as our guest organist today.

VBS will be July 16-19 from 6pm-8pm.

The General Assembly of the PC(USA) began its meeting yesterday. Today congregations around the country are singing the hymn "Draw the Welcome Circle Wider" which was commissioned for this General Assembly.

The General Assembly (GA) of the Presbyterian Church (USA) will have its meeting June 16-23 in St. Louis, MO. Our own Melissa Gill is representing our presbytery as a commissioner to General Assembly, meeting June 16-23 in St. Louis, MO. Follow the work of the GA by going to ga-pcusa.org for more information and a link to the live stream.

We will be having a **planning meeting** for our August 4th Garage Sale on **Thursday, June 21st** in the church library at 7. Everyone is invited to come and contribute ideas. WE Need YOU!!!

We will also hold a church-wide garage sale on **August 4th**, so start gathering those items that are ready to be loved by another family! More details to come.

We have a new prayer chain! Just send an email to MPCprayerchain@gmail.com with "Add Me" in the subject

We welcome Nancy Hendrix to the pulpit today.

Expecting to be a theological librarian, Nancy Hendrix completed the Master of Divinity degree at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA. after she completed the Master of Science in Library Science degree at Clark-Atlanta University in Atlanta, Ga. However, the Lord intervened; she was ordained as PCUSA Minister in 1998.

During her 19 years in Louisiana, she served as solo pastor of Woodland Presbyterian Church in Pineville, LA., later, as board certified hospice chaplain at Christus Cabrini Hospital in Alexandria, LA.

Her two sons live in Dallas and Austin, TX. And she moved to Norman with a green parakeet and rescue cat named Jasmine.

SUNDAY

June 17

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

WEDNESDAY

June 20

6:30 P.M. – NO Chancel Choir

THURSDAY

June 21

7:00 P.M. – Garage Sale Planning Meeting

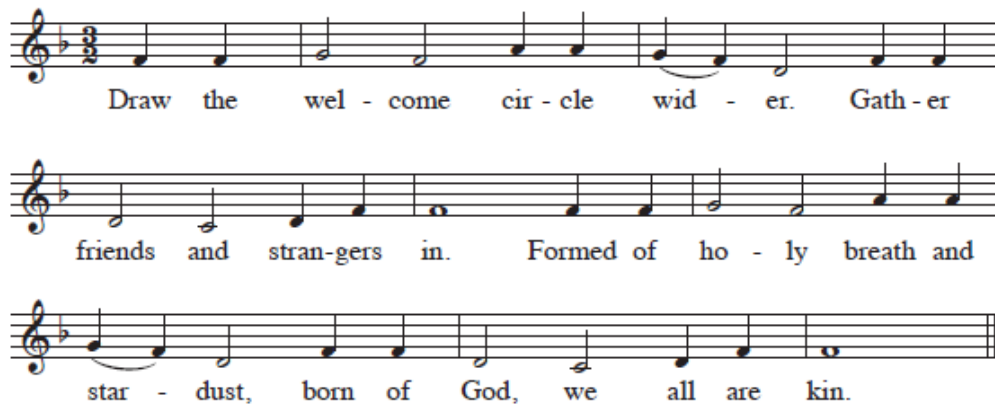
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June 24

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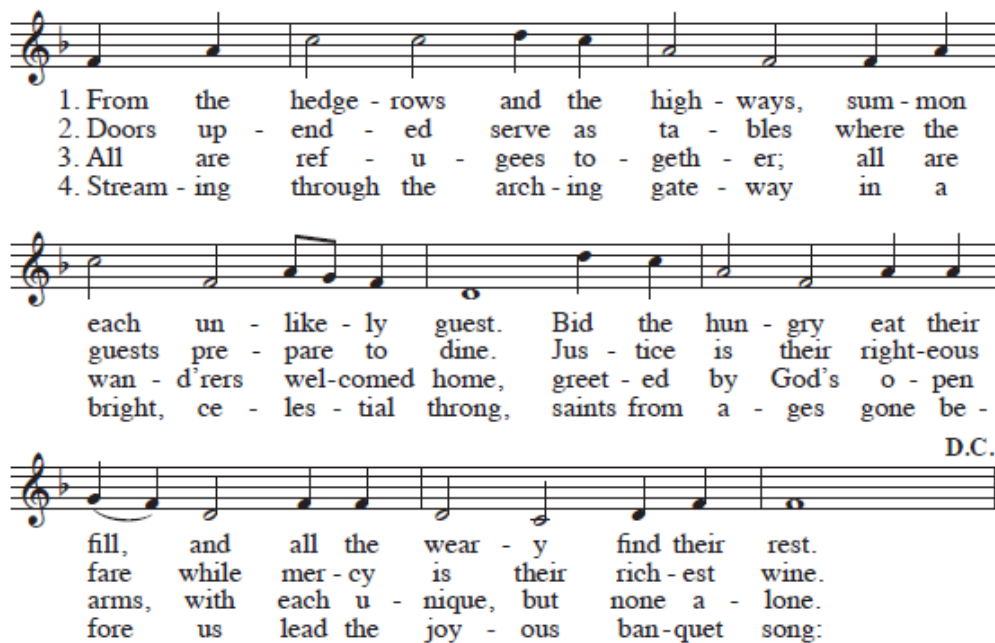
Draw the Welcome Circle Wider

Refrain



Draw the wel - come cir - cle wid - er. Gath - er
friends and stran - gers in. Formed of ho - ly breath and
star - dust, born of God, we all are kin.

Verses



1. From the hedge - rows and the high - ways, sum - mon
2. Doors up - end - ed serve as ta - bles where the
3. All are ref - u - gees to - geth - er; all are
4. Stream - ing through the arch - ing gate - way in a
each un - like - ly guest. Bid the hun - gry eat their
guests pre - pare to dine. Jus - tice is their right - eous
wan - d'ers wel - come home, greet - ed by God's o - pen
bright, ce - les - tial throng, saints from a - ges gone be -
D.C.
fill, and all the wear - y find their rest.
fare while mer - cy is their rich - est wine.
arms, with each u - nique, but none a - lone.
fore us lead the joy - ous ban - quet song:

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Tune: BEACH SPRING, 8 7 8 7 D; *The Sacred Harp*, 1844

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