Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

World Communion Sunday

October 7, 2018

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Eternal God,

you have called us to be members of one body.

Join us with those who in all times and places have praised your name,
that, with one heart and mind,
we may show the unity of your church,

and bring honor to our Lord and Savior,

Jesus

Christ, Amen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

BRINGING THE LIGHT

GATHERING WORDS

Baptismal waters will be brought in from different areas, representing north, south, east and west.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, disciples of Christ, called from all corners of the world, called from North and South, from East and West

Come, disciples of Christ, called to leave belongings behind and travel light

Called to go to the uncomfortable places! Come, disciples of Christ,

Called to bring healing to the world and its people, called to proclaim the Reign of God

*SONG OF PRAISE

Let's Sing Unto the Lord

Hymnal, No. 669

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

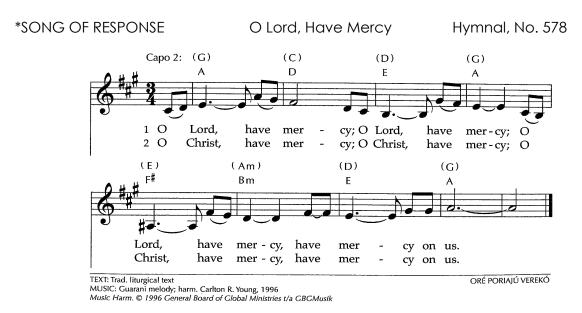
Loving and Almighty God, we pray that the church may discover its unity in Christ, a true fellowship of the cloud of witnesses and of those who do not love and serve our Lord Jesus Christ. In repentance and sorrow, we confess before you that we are still divided and our brokenness is often perceived as a counter-witness to the world.

We are still imprisoned by our own prejudices and pride. Help us heal and reconcile our historical divisions; help us rediscover our unity in the confession of the same apostolic faith so that our souls may be enflamed with the desire of

unity and of partaking from the same Eucharistic table and cup. Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way of peace, reconciliation, and healing. Come into the brokenness of our lives and of our lands with your healing love. Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance and to bow to one another in real forgiveness.

By the fire of the Grace of Your Holy Spirit melt our hard hearts and consume the pride and the prejudice which separate us. Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out fear and binds us together in that unity which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

(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

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord

Hymnal, No. 390



TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Melissa Gill

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Nicholas Lindley

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 2:18-24

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 8

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;

what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you

care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet,

all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

ANTHEM

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:13-16 Page No. 822

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE God's Global Children

Tracy L. Evans

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,

the communion of saints of the entire human family.

And we believe that this unity of the people of God

must be manifest and active,

in that we love one another;

that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another,

that we share one baptism together,

that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together,

that we confess one name, one Lord,

for one cause, with one hope,

which is the height and the breadth

and the depth and the love of Christ,

forever and ever. Amen.

(adapted from Belhar Confession)

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

You are invited to pray in the language of your choosing.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY



*DEDICATION PRAYER

SEALING THE WORD-CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION SONG

One Bread, One Body

Hymnal, No. 530

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

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.

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.

...proclaiming the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE COMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Let us Talents and Tongues Employ Hymnal, No. 526

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

CHORAL BENEDICTION Now Go in Joy

*POSTLUDE

*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 October 14: Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22:1-15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31.

The **Food and Shelter** item of the month for October 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 Melissa Gill & Linda Eckel.