

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

5th Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2019

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Holy God,
you call us to live out
your justice and righteousness.
Help us to walk in your footsteps,
so that we never lose our way.
Enable us to live and love
in the way that you have taught us,
so that we can act in grace,
even with those who we consider our enemies.
In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We serve the Creator, who loves us into life.

We follow Christ, who loves us unto death.

We listen for the Spirit, who loves us into transformation.

We worship God, whose love knows no bounds.

*SONG OF PRAISE

God of Grace and God of Glory

Hymnal, No. 307

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Holy God,

**we have heard your command to love you,
to love our neighbor, and to love ourselves,
yet we fall into patterns of shallow devotion,
false kindness, and self-doubt.**

**We have heard your call to do justice,
to love kindness, to walk humbly with you,
yet we're drawn to safety, not justice;
apathy, not kindness;
pacing, not walking.**

Hear our prayers, O God.

**Forgive us for what we have done
and for what we have left undone.**

Hear our prayers, O God,

and move us to deeper trust and more faithful action.

(Time of silent reflection)

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

Hymnal, No. 581

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Melissa Gill

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Jessica Farris

SCRIPTURE READING

Amos 7:7-17

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 82

God has taken his place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:

“How long will you judge unjustly and show partiality to the wicked? Selah

Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.

Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.”

They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk around in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

I say, “You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you;

nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.”

Rise up, O God, judge the earth; for all the nations belong to you!

SOLO

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:25-37

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

What an Image

Tracy L. Evans

*SONG OF FAITH

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Hymnal, No.688

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**The life, death, resurrection,
and promised coming of Jesus Christ
has set the pattern for the church's mission.
His human life involves the church
in the common life of all people.
His service to men and women
commits the church
to work for every form of human well-being.
His suffering makes the church sensitive
to all human suffering
so that it sees the face of Christ
in the faces of persons in every kind of need.
His crucifixion discloses to the church
God's judgment on the inhumanity
that marks human relations,
and the awful consequences
of the church's own complicity in injustice.
In the power of the risen Christ
and the hope of his coming,
the church sees the promise
of God's renewal of human life in society
and of God's victory over all wrong.
The church follows this pattern
in the form of its life
and in the method of its action.
So to live and serve
is to confess Christ as Lord.**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32-33

COMMISSIONING TO PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRIENNIUM-LyneMaris Sama

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response:... In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

*DEDICATION PRAYER

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah Hymnal, No. 65

*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*BLESSING AND CHARGE
CHORAL BENEDICTION

*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 July 21: Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Colossians 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42.

The **Food & Shelter** item of the month for July 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 Trudy Beard and Linda Eckel.

Guest organist today is Lauree Beth Marshall. Welcome, Lauree Beth!

Vacation Bible School starts tomorrow July 15-18 from 6pm-8pm.

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection for Harry Wright will be held this Thursday, July 18 at 1:00.

SUNDAY **July 14**

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

MONDAY **July 15**

6:00 P.M. – Vacation Bible School

TUESDAY **July 16**

6:00 P.M. – Vacation Bible School

WEDNESDAY **July 17**

6:00 P.M. – Vacation Bible School

THURSDAY **July 18**

6:00 P.M. – Vacation Bible School

SUNDAY **July 21**

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

KNOWN JOYS & CONCERNS

Those who seek healing

Lola Carroll
Sandy Clarke
Jim Eckel
Laura Eckel
Doug Forsyth
Mike Girdner
Alice Lanning
Jayelle Martin
Jona Thiessen
Devyn Upton
Karen Upton
Darrell Hinson (Karen Upton's father)
Paul Gallagher (Karen Upton's biological father)
Carole Jo Evans (Tracy Evans' mother)

Those who Experienced Recent Loss

Donna Vint whose husband Harry Wright died on July 7.

Carl Forthman whose mother Betty Forthman died on July 1.

Seminary Graduate

Samuel McCann, Pittsburgh Theo. Seminary

We lift up in prayer the country of Cameroon and pray for the unrest our brothers and sisters are experiencing there.

Birthdays

July 15 – Tyler Thrailkill
July 16 – Andrew Lanning
July 17– Laura Eckel
July 18– Cornelius Annoh
July 20– Arabella Eckel
July 21– Ewane Masango

As part of the **ecumenical prayer cycle**, we ask you to pray for a particular region of the world each week: **Djibouti, Somalia**

We are **thankful** for:

- the beauty of Creation and resources from lands and sea
- the stable governance and economic development that Djibouti has experienced in recent years
- the many ways churches and humanitarian organizations have prayed for and responded to the needs in Somalia
- how the international community has received and provided for many Somali refugees.

We **pray** for:

- protection of natural resources and coastal land
- an end to hunger, violence, crime and conflict in Somalia
- effective reconciliation and peace-building
- stable governments that further the common good for all the people
- those who have fled this area that they may be welcomed in new homelands.