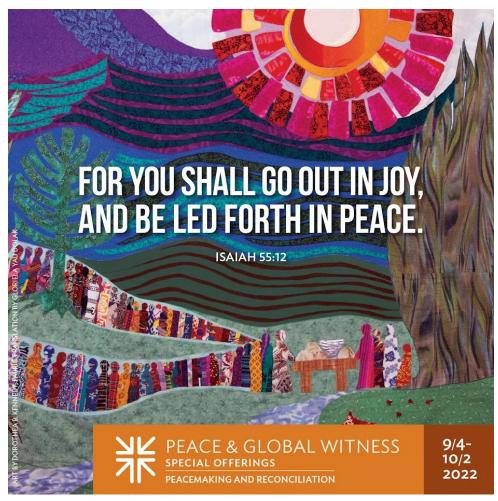


Memorial Presbyterian Church



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY World Communion

17th Sunday after Pentecost

October 2, 2022

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

God of all nations, you have poured out your blessings upon all the peoples of the earth. Grant us eyes to see your gifts of faith and love. Appoint us as heralds of your mercies that are new every morning. Empower us to write the vision of your peaceable kingdom, where destruction and violence are no more, where suffering and wars shall cease. Through our worship empower us to be sent out with joy as bearers of your hope in a hurting world; through Christ. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE	Gelobet seist du, Jesu Christ	Samuel Scheidt David Marvel, organist
BRINGING THE LIGHT		
*OPENING SENTENCES Vince Leseney From north and south and east and west, all Creation sings forth your praises! The mountains and the hills burst into song; the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Your steadfast love never ceases. With joy and peace, let us worship God together.		
*SONG OF PRAISE	Let Us Talents and Tongues Emplo	by Hymnal, No. 526
*CONFESSION AND PARDON		
Gracious Lord, you created the whole world and called it good, but we look out at your world and see division and suffering. You call us to maintain the unity of spirit in the bond of peace, but we choose division over diversity, confrontation over civility, conflict over peace born from justice. You call us to love the least of these among us, but we hear the cries of the oppressed and choose our own comfort. We allow senseless suffering rather than sacrifice for our neighbors. Forgive us. Grant us fresh vision to see one another as siblings in Christ. Rekindle in us your gifts — the spirit of power, love, and self-discipline — that with faith in Christ, we might be made new and be part of bringing forth your peaceable kingdom. Amen. (Time of silent reflection)		
Believe the good news. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!		

*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 to God Hymnal, No. 582

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Melissa Gill

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Nick Lindley

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SCRIPTURE READING 2 Timothy 1:1-14 The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 37:1-9

Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers,

for they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb. Trust in the Lord, and do good; so you will live in the land, and enjoy security. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.

He will make your vindication shine like the light, and the justice of your cause like the noonday.

Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.

Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil. For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.

ANTHEM

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 17:11-19 The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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MESSAGE

Little Faith, Big Table

Tracy L. Evans

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Holy God, we are one in your love, and we thank you. It is not our beliefs or our faith that unite us, but your love for us all that makes us one. Those who are like us and those who are different, all are beloved and all are made one. People of every continent and every race, all join us at the table of your grace. Humans and creatures and all living things are one in the Body of Christ. For the great diversity of people, for the splendor of life in all its colors, we praise you. Gracious God, in your grace we are one, and we worship you. We are yours, and we serve you. Alleluia!

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

THE OFFERING OFFERTORY God, We Honor You

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

SEALING THE WORD-CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

COMMUNION HYMN In the Singing

Hymnal, p. 533

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING and LORD'S PRAYER 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.

...we join our voices with those around the world

and with your heavenly chorus to sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE COMMUNION MUSIC Come to the Table of Grace

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG Go, My Children, with My Blessing Hymnal, No. 547

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*POSTLUDE God Be with You Till We Meet Again

*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 9: Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 and Psalm 66:1-12; 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c and Psalm 111; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19.

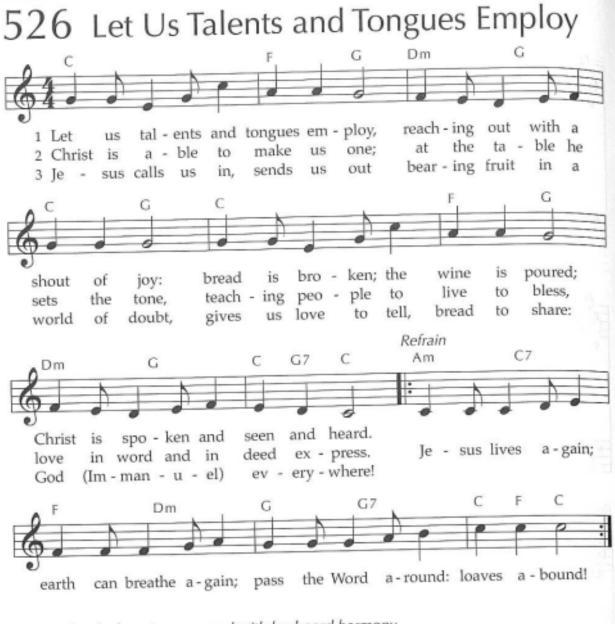
The Food & Shelter item of the month for **October is dry beans**, **bags of rice and powdered milk**. **Please place your donations in the box by the church information table**.

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

Thank you, thank you! After the desperate plea last week, we have had several offers to help with Kids Club! We will begin October 12. We could still use a few folks who could substitute on occasion, so if you're willing, let Tracy know!

Much of today's liturgy comes from Rev. Katie Owens Aumann, Senior psastor of Morningside Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, written for the Peace and Global Witness offering.

We extend our best wishes to organist David Marvel. Today is his last day with us. Thank you, David for your gift of music!



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Maracas and other rhythm instruments may be used.

