

Memorial Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

7th Sunday of Easter

June 1, 2025

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*God of mystery,
Christ cannot be contained—by a grave, or by a body.
Love is above all things, all desires and all powers.
Christ risen and ascended, reigns from the throne of our hearts.
We give you our thanks and pledge allegiance to your Reign,
in the name and the Spirit of Christ. Amen.*

PRELUDE

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Eternal God, you have raised Christ to rule over the universe!

We sing your praise in awe and wonder. Alleluia!

You have raised Christ to reign over all human history.

All is taken up in the grace and Christ. Alleluia!

You have raised up Christ to rule over our hearts and our lives.

We bow in humility and gratitude,

and give our lives to serve in love and wonder. Alleluia!

*SONG OF PRAISE

This Joyful Eastertide

Hymnal, No. 244

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God,

you desire that the world might see your light shine through us.

**Yet we confess we are often too blinded by the glittering
temptations of this world.**

We turn from your way,

**hurting the very ones we were called to serve,
in our action and our inaction.**

**We grow frustrated with each other,
seeking to silence anything besides our own desires.**

**We fail to see your righteousness
and champion greed and discord
in the name of power and popularity.**

Forgive us.

**Melt us and mold us into more faithful disciples,
seeking your light,**

reflecting your mercy,

and sharing your grace. Amen.

(Time of silent reflection)

This is 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 Be to the Father
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymnal, No. 581

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
The Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Psalm 97

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!

**Clouds and thick darkness are all around him;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.**

Fire goes before him
and consumes his adversaries on every side.

**His lightnings light up the world;
the earth sees and trembles.**

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord,
before the Lord of all the earth.

**The heavens proclaim his righteousness,
and all the peoples behold his glory.**

All servants of images are put to shame,
those who make their boast in worthless idols;
all gods bow down before him.

**Zion hears and is glad,
and the towns of Judah rejoice
because of your judgments, O God.**

For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

**You who love the Lord, hate evil;
he guards the lives of his faithful;
he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.**

Light dawns for the righteous
and joy for the upright in heart.

**Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,
and give thanks to his holy name!**

SCRIPTURE READING

John 17:20-26
The Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Tracy L. Evans

SONG OF FAITH

Come Now, O Prince of Peace

Hymnal, No. 103

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Life in Christ is life eternal.
The resurrection of Jesus is the sign
that God will consummate the work
of creation and reconciliation beyond death
and bring to fulfillment
the new life begun in Christ.**
(Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.26)

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response: ...God of new life, **hear our prayer.**

THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND LORDS' PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

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.

Therefore we praise you, joining the song
of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

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

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 35

*Please pray the Lord's Prayer
in the language and wording most familiar to you.*

BREAKING OF THE BREAD
(Words of Institution)

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE
The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING SONG The Church of Christ in Every Age Hymnal, No. 320

*BLESSING AND CHARGE

*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 May 18: Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148; Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35.

The Food & Shelter item of the month for May is peanut butter. **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.

This Joyful Eastertide

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
 2 My flesh in hope shall rest and for a sea - son
 3 Death's flood has lost its chill since Je - sus crossed the

sor - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has
 slum - ber till trump from east to west shall
 riv - er. Lov - er of souls, from ill my

Refrain

sprung to life this mor - row.
 wake the dead in num - ber. Had Christ, who once was
 pass - ing soul de - liv - er.

slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith had been in

vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -

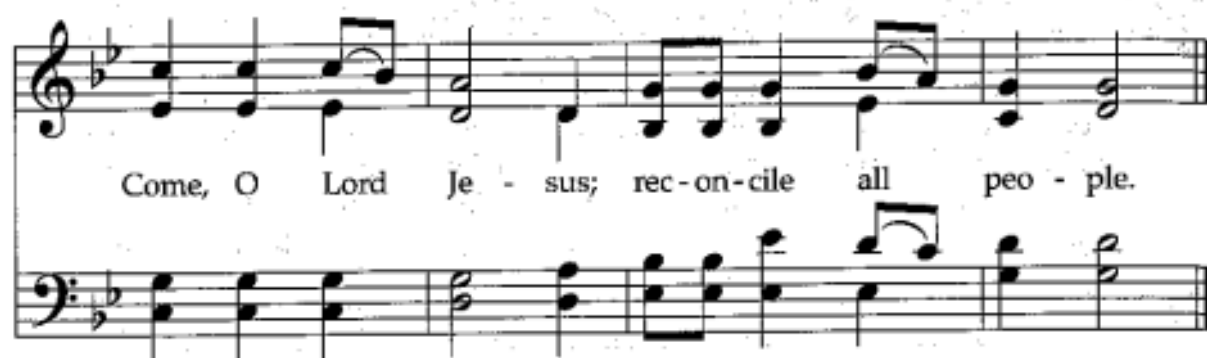
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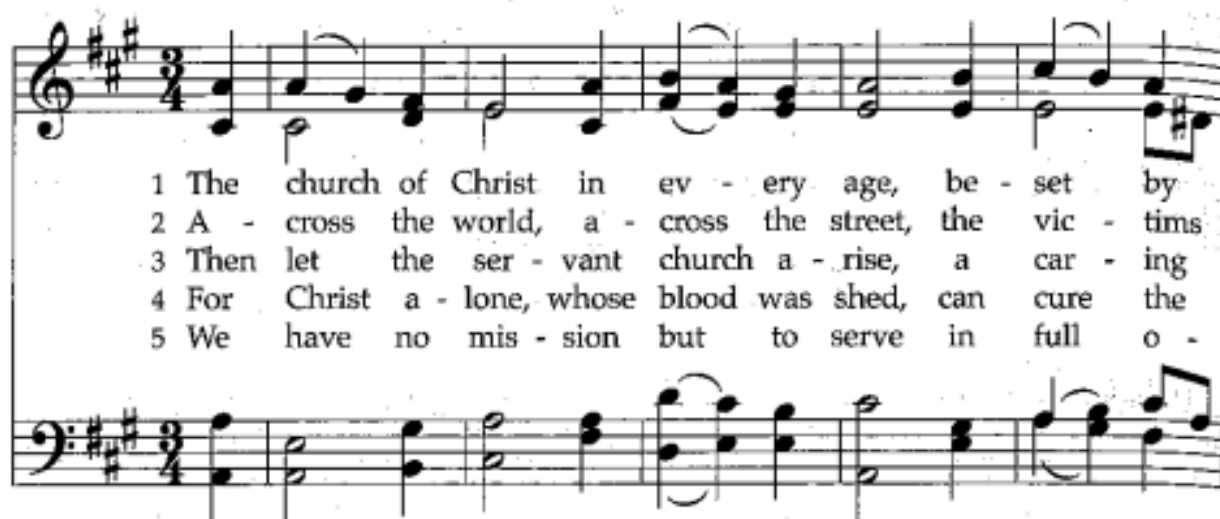


1 Come now, O Prince of Peace; make us one bod - y.
2 Come now, O God of love; make us one bod - y.
3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.
4 Come, hope of u - ni - ty; make us one bod - y.



Come, O Lord Je - sus; rec-on-cile all peo - ple.

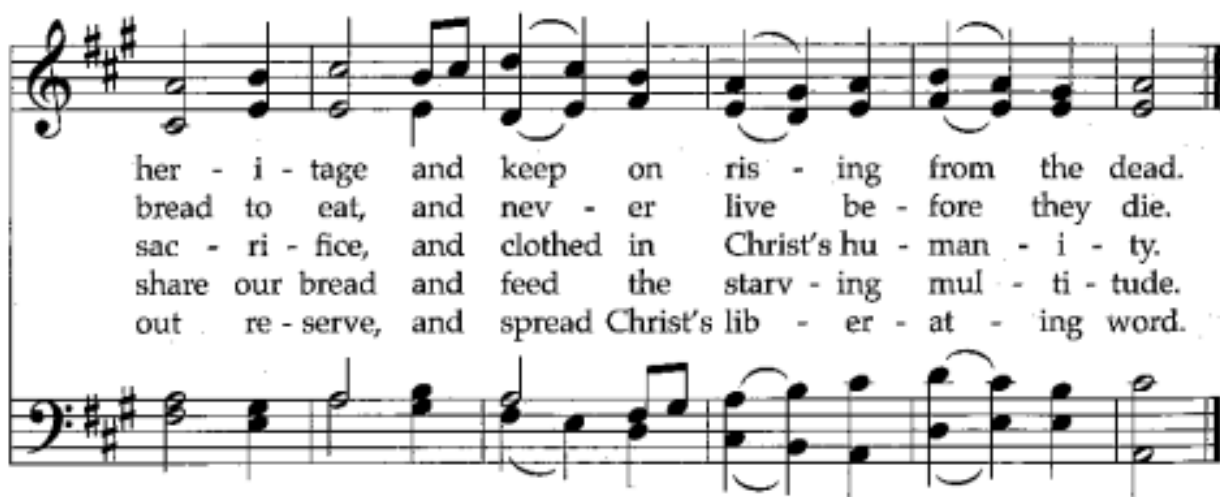
320 The Church of Christ in Every Age



1 The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by
 2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
 3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
 4 For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
 5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
 of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
 church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
 fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
 be - dience to our Lord: to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
 sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
 share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
 out re - serve, and spread Christ's lib - er - at - ing word.