## Connect. Inspire. Serve.

## Welcome to Worship at Memorial Presbyterian Church!

We are delighted you have chosen to worship at Memorial Presbyterian Church. Our hope is that every person who enters Memorial will *CONNECT* with God and the community of faith, be *INSPIRED* to a life of discipleship and spiritual growth, and discover ways to *SERVE* our neighbors near and far.

Please join us for coffee and conversation immediately following the worship service today.

**Friendship Pad:** We ask that all worshipers sign the Ritual of Friendship pad, located on the center aisle side of the pew. Sign your name, address and phone number, and pass it along the pew and then back again so that we can get to know each other and greet each other by name.

**Accessibility at MPC:** The sanctuary is equipped with a Hearing Loop system that allows people to receive the sound from the church's audio system in their own hearing aids. Large-size bulletins and hymnals are also available from the ushers. Please contact an usher if you have any questions on accessibility issues.

**Children of all ages** are welcome in the worship service. Nursery care is provided for children from birth to 3 years of age. Pagers are given to parents in the event that communication is necessary. In addition, a Children's Table is located by the entry if you wish to take your child from the sanctuary, yet be able to hear and see the service.

**Kinderchurch** is an age-appropriate worship experience provided for children ages 3 through Grade 2. Children attend worship with their parents for about 15 minutes, and then move to the Kinderchurch room as a group. It is not held on Sundays when communion is served, so that children will be able to experience communion with their parents.

**Communion:** The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) has an Open Table. All who are baptized, all who hold Jesus as their Lord and Savior, are invited to the table. Children may take communion with parent's consent. Communion is served on the first Sunday of every month, and at other designated services.

Please feel free to contact the church office at (920) 734-1787 or info@mpcappleton.org with any questions you may have.

# Order of Worship 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Ten O'clock A.M.

June 18, 2017

★ Those who are able are invited to stand.

## **Gathering Around the Word**

PRELUDE In Heavenly Love, Abiding

D. Hegarty

As the prelude begins, please take a moment of silence to prepare for worship.

#### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP.

Eric Edwards

One: We gather together in the name of our God,

All: The maker of heaven and earth,

One: who calls us away from the customs and attitudes

of the world around us,

All: Who invites us instead into a transforming

relationship with Him and with one another.

All: Let's worship God together!

→ HYMN #192 Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining

**CALL TO CONFESSION** 

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We look for you in all the wrong places, God of the lost, and wonder why we cannot find you. We wander the corridors of power, while you are on the sidewalks, beside the homeless. We sit at the head tables of the world, while you are handing out soup to the hungry at the kitchen's back door.

We applaud those who win the race, while you are cheering on those in last place. In forgiving us, God of

new life, you would transform our cold hearts into those melted in service to others. In granting us mercy, you challenge us to think of all those we have ignored. In gifting us with grace, you enable us to proclaim Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, as the hope, the joy, the peace the world seeks.

A time for silent confession

#### ◆ ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: It's not money, but our generosity with it; it is not power, but our willingness to humble ourselves; it is not our efforts, but Christ's gift, which transforms us into God's children. It is because of our sure knowledge of God's grace that we know we are forgiven.

All: It is more than just how we think. In mercy and grace, our hearts, our lives, our spirits are transfigured and made new. Thanks be to God. Amen.

### ◆ PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Share the peace of Christ with one another.

→ RESPONSE #591 Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

## **Proclaiming the Word**

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 3:1-15 (Old Testament, page 305) Romans 12:1-8 (New Testament, page 161)

One: We live not by bread alone, but by every word that

comes from God.

All: Thanks be to God, who calls us to CONNECT,

**INSPIRE, and SERVE!** 

## Each of us is special with a gift to share

Children are invited to bring their offerings forward and put them in the "Joyful Noise Bucket"

SERMON

"Now What?"

Richard Dodge

## Responding to the Word

→ HYMN #451 Open My Eyes, That I May See

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

Special Giving Opportunities Today:
Those who contribute through e-giving or online donations are encouraged to take an "I Give Electronically" card and place it in the offering plate.

OFFERTORY

How Great Thou Art

D. Miller

→ RESPONSE #609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

#### ◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, we give you thanks for all your gifts of goodness and grace. Receive these gifts from our hands as a sacrifice of praise to you and teach us to honor you each day by our obedience to your will; through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

♦ HYMN #747 The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

## Bearing and Following the Word Into the World

♦ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Andante Moderato H. Smart

During the postlude, you are welcome to leave the sanctuary as you are ready. We ask that you refrain from conversation until you reach the narthex so that other worshippers may pray or reflect silently.

Throughout Pastor Mike's sabbatical leave this summer, we are welcoming guest preachers to the pulpit. This morning we are so grateful for Richard Dodge, who is giving the sermon today. Next Sunday, Connie Olson will be the guest preacher.



## This morning's chancel flowers are given by Ken Couillard, in loving memory of Barb, on their anniversary and her birthday.

## Today's Sunday Morning Volunteers

**Greeters**: Barry, Kirstin, Jens and Sofia Telfer **Ushers**: Pam Dodge, Gayle Hardt, Elaine Presby,

**Christine Cornell** 

Head Usher: Peter Ryerson

Fellowship Hosts: Scott and Cathy Kornish

Nursery Caregivers: Luann Ulmen, Abby Protsman

Counters: Lee Parker, Mark Smith

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## Memorial Presbyterian Church

## Who We Are and What We Believe:

Grounded in the grace of God and the Reformed Tradition, we believe in:

Nurturing one another on the journey of faith. Compassion for all.

Active engagement in the local and global community.

Openness to the Spirit's inspiration.

## Our Mission Statement:

Connect. Inspire. Serve.

Connect people in faith, hope and love.

Inspire lifelong discipleship and spiritual growth.

Serve our neighbors near and far.

as adopted by the Congregation on February 14, 2017

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