

The Prayer of 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.

The Words of Institution and Communion of the People

(We serve only gluten-free bread. The cup contains unfermented grape juice.)

*The Charge

Mark 12:28-31

Which commandment is the first of all?

**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul, and with all your mind,
and with all your strength.**

And the second is this:

**You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
There is no other commandment greater than these.**

*Sung Benediction 700 (verse 1) "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

I'm gonna live so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, any time!

I'm gonna live so God can use me, anywhere, Lord, any time!

*Postlude

Voluntary II

George Friderick Handel

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

Words appearing in bold and indented are spoken by the whole congregation.

Scripture passages are read from the New Revised Standard Version.

The Affirmation of Faith is excerpted from the Belhar Confession.

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 4, 2015, 9:00 A.M.

Morning Meditation

Miriam Therese Winter (1987)

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved,

Where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,

Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

Chimes of the Trinity

Ritual of Fellowship

Voluntary

"These I Lay Down"

Setting by Bell/Carter

*Call to Worship

Psalm 26:8, 12 (CEB)

I love the beauty of your house, LORD;

I love the place where your glory resides.

My feet now stand on level ground.

I will bless the LORD in the great congregation.

*Hymn 41

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above"

Nickel-a-Meal offerings may be brought forward during the hymn.

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of love, you know the hardness of our hearts.

Jesus loved the children, but there are still children in the world

who live in hunger or fear, rejected and unloved.

Forgive us, we pray, and call us to faithfulness.

Bind us all together as one family,

that we might share what we have been given,

and receive your kingdom with the wonder and gratitude of children.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Kyrie Eleison 576 (unison)

“Lord, Have Mercy”

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Forgiveness 586 (unison)

“Alleluia”

Minute for Mission

Stewardship

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Job 1:1, 2:5-12

The Psalter

Psalm 26

*Children who would like to continue with age-appropriate activities
may go with the Children’s Tabernacle greeter during the hymn.*

*Hymn 432

“How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord”

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:13-16

Sermon

“Integrity in the Midst of Plausible Deniability” Rev. Keith Grogg

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer (traditional)

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever, Amen.**

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

“Holy Manna”

HOLY MANNA
Columbian Harmony/John Carter

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ all people here below,
Praise Holy Spirit, evermore,
Praise Triune God Whom we adore. Amen!**

*Prayer of Dedication and Affirmation of Faith

The Belhar Confession

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church,
the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

**We believe that Christ’s work of reconciliation
is made manifest in the church as the community of believers
who have been reconciled with God and with one another;**

that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation
for the church of Jesus Christ;

**that through the working of God’s Spirit, it is a binding force,
yet simultaneously a reality
which must be earnestly pursued and sought:**

one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain;
that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe
that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups
is sin which Christ has already conquered,

**and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity
may have no place in the church and must be resisted;
that true faith in Jesus Christ
is the only condition for membership of this church.**

*Hymn 525

“Let Us Break Bread Together”