*Prayer of Dedication

*Affirmation of Faith (responsive)

from The Heidelberg Catechism

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of evil.

*Gloria Patri 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

*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 729

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" (verse 3)

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart in my heart Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart. In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

*Postlude

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

BEACH SPRING

James H. Wood

*The congregation is invited to stand.

A hearing loop is active; set hearing aid to "T-coil."

Scripture passages are read from the New Revised Standard Version.

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 19, 2017, 9:00 A.M.

Morning Meditation

Søren Kierkegaard

"Venture to give all your possessions to the poor and you will certainly experience the truth of Christ's teaching.

Venture once to make yourself completely vulnerable for the sake of the truth, and you will certainly experience the truth of Christ's word.

You will experience how it alone can save you from despairing or from succumbing, for you will need Christ both to protect yourself against others and to maintain yourself upright when the thought of your own imperfection would weigh you down."

Chimes of the Trinity

Ritual of Fellowship

Voluntary

""The Gift of Love"

O WALY WALY

Hal Hopson/John Carter

*Call to Worship

from I Cor. 3:16, 23

God's Spirit dwells in us,

for we are God's temple.

We belong to Christ,

and Christ belongs to God.

Praise the Lord!

*Hymn 1

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Call to Confession

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Prayer of Confession

Holy God, your law shows the way of righteousness,
but we forsake your commandments.
We decide not to provide for the poor or aid the distressed.
We have been unjust in our judgment of others.
We have sought vengeance against our enemies;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Forgive us our sins, and rouse us to sincere repentance, we pray.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Kyrie Eleison 578 (unison)

"O Lord, Have Mercy"

Assurance of Pardon

*Response 582

"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

*Hymn 463

"How Firm a Foundation"

Reading from the Psalter (responsive)

Psalm 119:33-40

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,

and I will observe it to the end.

Give me understanding,

that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments,

for I delight in it.

Turn my heart to your decrees, and not to selfish gain.

Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.

Confirm to your servent your promise

Confirm to your servant your promise, which is for those who fear you.

Turn away the disgrace that I dread,

for your ordinances are good.

See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness give me life.

Hymn 722

"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

Gospel Reading

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

The Sermon "Teach Me Your Way, and I Will Observe It to the End" Keith Grogg

Prayers of the People and The 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

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 Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

"When We Are Living"

SOMOS DEL SENOR

arr. John Carter

Matthew 5:38-48

*Doxology 607

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