

**\*Gloria Patri 581**

**\*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.**

**\*Choral Benediction**

“God Be in My Head”

Rutter

**\*Blessing**

**\*Postlude**

“To My Precious Lord” (GTG 704)

Korean

Chung Kwan Park/Mary Louise Bringle

*\*The congregation is invited to stand.*

**A hearing loop is active; switch hearing aid to “T-coil.”** Words in bold and double-indented are congregational responses. The Morning Meditation is from Buechner, *Wishful Thinking*. The musical theme for Stewardship Reflection is from “Weave One Heart” by Marty Haugen © 1999 GIA Publications, Inc. The Prayer of Confession is reprinted with permission from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year C, Volume 2* © 2013 Westminster John Knox Press. The Affirmation of Faith is excerpted from *A Declaration of Faith*. Scripture passages are read from the New Revised Standard Version.



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**MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY  
October 16, 2016, 9:00 A.M.**

**Morning Meditation**

Frederick Buechner

*We think of eternal life, if we think of it at all, as what happens when life ends.  
We would do better to think of it as what happens when life begins.*

**Chimes of the Trinity**

**Ritual of Fellowship**

**Stewardship Reflection**

Weave one heart from the many strands; Weave our hopes and weave our lives.  
God be praised through our working hands; Weave our hopes and weave our lives.

*When the cantor sings each line, the congregation responds:  
“Weave our hopes and weave our lives.”*

**Voluntary**

“Prelude in F”

Beethoven

**Introit**

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”  
*Duke Chapel Choir*

arr. Dawson

**\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 90:1-2

LORD, you have been our dwelling place,  
**in all generations.**  
Before the mountains were brought forth,  
**or ever you had formed the earth and the world,**  
From everlasting to everlasting,  
**You are God.**

**\*Hymn 12** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Gracious God, we confess that we do not keep your word before us  
always and in all things. We turn away from your demanding truth  
and wander toward easier options. Forgive us, we pray,  
for pursuing our own desires rather than yours;  
for growing weary in following you;  
for failing to pray and work tirelessly for justice;  
for losing hope in your power to transform the powers of this world.  
Tune our ears to the sound of your justice.  
We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

**Silent Prayers of Confession**

**Kyrie Eleison 437** (unison) "You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy"

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Response 587** (unison) "Alleluia!"

**Reading from the Old Testament** Jeremiah 31:31-34

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

**\*Hymn 833** "O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go"

**Reading from the New Testament** II Timothy 3:14-4:5

**Choral Anthem** "Salvation Is Created" Tschesnokoff

**Sermon** "Whether the Time is Favorable or Unfavorable" 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.

**\*Hymn 722** "Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak"

**Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts**

**Offertory** "It Is Well with My Soul" arr. Clausen  
*Duke Chapel Choir*

**\*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.

**\*Prayer of Dedication and Affirmation of Faith** *A Declaration of Faith*

We acknowledge one God alone,  
whose demands on us are absolute, whose help for us is sufficient.  
That One is the Lord, whom we worship, serve, and love.  
We know that God is not confined to the story we can tell.  
The story itself tells us God works the divine, sovereign will  
among all peoples of the earth.  
We believe God works beyond our imagining throughout the universe.  
To worship God is highest joy. To serve God is perfect freedom.