

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 772**

“Live into Hope”

***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.**

***Blessing**

***Postlude**

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

AZMON

Carl G. Glaser/Carter

**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
AUGUST 20, 2017, 9:00 A.M.**

Morning Meditation

*Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good;
love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor.*

Romans 12:9-10

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

Psalm 133:1

Chimes of the Trinity

Ritual of Fellowship

Voluntary

“Variants on DOMINUS REGIT ME”

John B. Dykes
1868/Carter

***Call to Worship**

God is the Lord of all,

**embracing the estranged, blessing the banished,
reconciling the rejected.**

God’s provision is abundantly more than enough
to preserve the church, redeem the world,
and deliver the tormented.

**O Lord, God of mercy and healing,
we trust in you!**

***Hymn 1**

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

Call to Confession

