

***Sung Benediction 741 (verse 1)**

“Guide My Feet”

**Guide my feet while I run this race;
guide my feet while I run this race;
guide my feet while I run this race;
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

***Blessing**

“Blessed Are You Who Bear the Light”

Jan Richardson

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

Scripture passages are read from the New Revised Standard Version.

Words in bold and double-indented are congregational responses.

The Morning Meditation is from A Brief Statement of Faith in the PC(USA) *Book of Confessions*.

The Affirmation of Faith is from The Scots Confession in the PC(USA) *Book of Confessions*.

The Blessing is Jan Richardson, “Blessed Are You Who Bear the Light,” in Richardson, Circle of Grace: A Book of Blessings for the Seasons (Orlando, FL: Wanton Gospeller Press, 2015).

**MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
January 14, 2018, 9:00 A.M.**

Morning Meditation

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852

*Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea,
day by day his sweet voice soundeth
saying, "Christian, follow me."*

Chimes of the Trinity

Ritual of Fellowship

Voluntary

“Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

Irish Folk Tune/Carter

***Call to Worship**

F-1.0404

In Christ, the triune God tends the least among us,
suffers the curse of human sinfulness,
raises up a new humanity,
and promises a new future for all creation.
O Lord, open our lips,
And our mouths shall proclaim your praise!

***Hymn 401**

“Here in This Place”

Prayer of Confession (responsive)

God of our hazy and mythologized past,
God of the complicated present, God of the beautiful future:
Too often when you call us, we fail to hear, or decline to listen.
Keep calling us, O God, we humbly pray.



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Demand our attention; when we fail to give it to you,
there are so many alternatives which lead us only back to ourselves
and our own distorted, self-interested will.

Keep calling us, O God, we humbly pray;

Do not take our ill-informed, faithless “no” for an answer.

Keep calling us, O God, we pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Kyrie Eleison 577

“Lord, Have Mercy”

Assurance of Pardon and Response 447 (unison)

“We Are Forgiven”

Reading from the Gospels

John 1:43-50

Old Testament Reading

I Samuel 3:1-10

Hymn 450

“Be Thou My Vision”

Old Testament Reading

I Samuel 3:11-20

Sermon

“You Will See Greater Things Than These”

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

“Here I Am, Lord”

Dan Schutte/Carter

***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**

Book of Order F-1.0303

We affirm that, in the power of the Spirit,

the Church is faithful to the mission of Christ

as it proclaims and hears the Word of God,

responding to the promise of God’s new creation in Christ,

and inviting all people to participate in that new creation;

administers and receives the Sacraments,

welcoming those who are being engrafted into Christ,

bearing witness to Christ’s saving death and resurrection,

anticipating the heavenly banquet that is to come,

and committing itself in the present

to solidarity with the marginalized and the hungry;

and nurtures a covenant community of disciples of Christ,

living in the strength of God’s promise

and giving itself in service to God’s mission.

***Gloria Patri 581**

***The Charge**

Micah 6:8

God has told you, O mortal, what is good;

and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice,

and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?