

Great is the mystery of faith:
(SUNG:) Christ has died; Christ is risen; MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION 557
Christ will come again.
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The Communion of the People

Hymn 501 "Feed Us, Lord"
Hymn 7 "Mothering God, You Gave Us Birth"

Prayer After Communion *Book of Common Worship*

God of grace, you renew us at your table with the bread of life.
May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you
and all your creation. We ask in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn 498 "Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken"

*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 "Hallelujah" Caribbean

*Blessing and Postlude

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OCTOBER 6, 2019, 10:00 A.M.

Morning Meditation Sylvia G. Dunstan (1990)

*"All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread. Come from wilderness and wandering.
Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for days of fulness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good."*

Prelude "Santo, Santo, Santo (Holy, Holy, Holy)" Puerto Rico

Chiming of the Hour and Ritual of Fellowship

Choral Introit 388 "Come All You People (Uyai mose)" A. Gondo/Zimbabwe

*Call to Worship from Lamentations 3:19-26

This I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:

**The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
the mercies of the LORD never end; they are new every morning.**

Great is your faithfulness, therefore my soul will hope in you.

God is good to all who seek the LORD, who wait for salvation.

*Hymn 509 "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

Nickel-a-Meal Offerings may be brought forward during the singing of the hymn.

Prayer of Confession (unison, followed by silent prayer)

Merciful God, you have called us to live in sincere faith.

Forgive us, we pray, for we are fractured and fearful disciples.

We shrink from your call to live sacrificially on behalf of others.

We rely on our power rather than yours.

**In your mercy, forgive us and increase our faith,
that we may be faithful servants at your table.**

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison 577 (unison) “Lord, Have Mercy”
Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon

Response 582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines”

Stewardship Moment Ann DuPre Rogers

Choral Anthem (GTG 322) anon., trans. Parker/arr. Blycker
“We Are One in Christ Jesus (Somos Uno en Cristo)”

Scripture Reading Lamentations 1:1-6

The Sermon “She Lives Now Among the Nations” 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 “Loving Creator” Philipppines

***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** The Scots Confession

We confess and acknowledge one God alone,
to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve,
whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust;
Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance and yet distinct in three persons;
By whom we confess and believe all things, in heaven and earth,
visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided by God’s inscrutable providence,
for such purposes as God’s eternal wisdom, goodness,
and justice have appointed, to the manifestation of God’s own glory.

***Hymn 525** “Let Us Break Bread Together”

The Great 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.

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels,
with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful
of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

(SUNG:) Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, SANCTUS 556
Heav’n and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the Lord’s name.
Hosanna in the highest.
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