

Go in God's Name

*Hymn #729

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Great is the Lord

Arr. Jack Schrader

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.



**SUMMER
Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday
8:15am – 2:00 pm

Friday - CLOSED

**Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Sunday, June 18, 2017

The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM

Gather in God's Name

*Thank you for silencing all mobile phones. * Stand as you are able. Please sign the fellowship pad, found on the chair on the center aisle. When all have signed, pass the pad back to the center.*

Prelude

Amazing Grace

Arr. Gerard Chiusano

The Prelude will begin at 10:00. Worshipers are requested to conclude conversation and listen prayerfully as spiritual preparation to hear God's Word in worship.

The Lighting of the Christ Candle and the Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Introit

Come To Me

G. Norbert

Call to Worship (responsive)

Worship Co-Leader: Skip Brauns

Come, let us give thanks to God!

We gather together to praise the One

who strengthens the weak and hears the prayers of the forgotten.

Come, let us give thanks to Christ!

We gather together to sing of the One

who calls us to serve those who are lost, hungry and alone.

Come, let us give thanks to the Spirit!

We gather together to exalt the One

**who provokes us to love not only our family and friends,
but also the stranger among us. Amen.**

*Hymn #837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine (Leaning on the Everlasting Arms)

Call to Confession

Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."
Let us rest in God's mercy as we pray together.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

A scribe said to Jesus, "I will follow you wherever you go."

Jesus responded bluntly: *Following me isn't easy.*

O God, we want to follow Jesus.

But doubt and fear take over,

clouding our understanding of your miraculous love.

He asked his disciples, "Why are you afraid, you of little faith?"

He asks us the same thing today.

We confess our fear of the unknown.

We confess our desire to be in control.

We confess our inability to trust you completely.

In your mercy, forgive us.

(Please pause to offer a silent prayer.)

Encourage us, O God.

Teach us to follow Jesus, even when we're afraid.

In his strong, trustworthy name we pray. Amen.

(Quiet prayer and reflection)

Sung Response

Tune: 447, We Are Forgiven

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

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Words of Assurance (responsive)

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting;

I declare in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

May the God of mercy, who forgives us all of our sins,

strengthen us in all goodness,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

***Sung Response**

Tune: 2276

Glory to God in the highest!

Sing glory to God!

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to God's people on earth!

***The Passing of Christ's Peace**

The peace of Jesus Christ be with you...**and also with you.**

You may turn to your neighbor and share a sign of Christ's peace.

Special Music

Lift Every Voice and Sing

James Johnson & R. Johnson

Madeline Bosma - Soprano

Proclaim God's Word

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:43-48

(N.T. pg.5, lg. print pg.6)

Hebrew Bible Reading

2 Kings 6:10-23

(O.T. pg.322, lg. print pg.418)

Response This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

International Guest Preacher

***Hymn #753**

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Respond to God

Invitation to Offering (based on Psalm 24:1)

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it.

Let us return to God the offerings of our life
and the gifts of the earth.

The Offertory

This is My Father's World

Babcock & Shephard

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Christ, all people here below.

Praise Holy Spirit ever more.

Praise God, triune, whom we adore! Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication** (unison)

We bring our gifts before you, O God.

We offer them as a sign of gratitude for your generosity and abundance.

You have first given these to us, and what we return is your own.

Use these offerings, O God,

so that others may come to know your grace and love in Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Give Thanks to God

The Sharing of Joys and Concerns

*You are invited to speak your prayer requests first on behalf of the wider world;
then for those close to you, and for yourself.*

The People's Prayer 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.