



**Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

July 2, 2017 10:00AM
The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion

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 *Let There Be Peace on Earth* Miller & Jackson
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.

Lighting of the Christ Candle and Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Introit *We Lift Our Voices* Dwight Liles

Call to Worship (responsive, adapted from Psalm 34:8 and 11-14)

Worship Co-Leader: Carlton Wiens

Taste and see that the Lord is good!

Happy are those who rest in God.

Come and listen, people of God.

Teach us the way of truth and life.

Let us depart from evil and do good.

Let us seek peace and pursue it. Amen!

***Hymn #337**

My Country, 'Tis of Thee, verses 1-3

Call to Confession (adapted from Galatians 6:1-2)

The Apostle Paul said to the people of the early church,

“My friends, you are spiritual. So if someone is trapped in sin,
you should gently lead that person back to the right path.

You obey the law of Christ when you offer each other a helping hand.”

As friends in faith, let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**God of every people and nation,
we confess that we have not lived as global citizens
in your new realm of justice and peace.
We build up dividing walls in the world.
We contribute to division in the church.
We ignore the suffering in distant nations
and live in fear of our closest neighbors.
Forgive us, God of grace.**

(Please pause to offer a silent prayer.)

Pour out your Spirit of peace upon us, O God.

**Break down the dividing walls among us,
and raise us up to be a holy temple—
your temple of peace in the world—
built on the cornerstone of Jesus Christ,
in whose holy 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.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God!**

Words of Assurance (responsive, adapted from Galatians 6:15-18)

Take to heart this good news: through faith, by grace, we are made new.

We belong to God's beloved community.

God treats us with compassion and blesses us with peace.

The Lord Jesus Christ is kind to us! 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

Hear I Am Lord
Karen Lamkin

Daniel Schutte

Proclaim God's Word

Epistle Reading Galatians 5:1 and 13-14 (N.T. pg 179; lg. print pg.232)

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

Sermon Called to Freedom, Freed to Love Rev. Rachel Srubas

***Hymn of Affirmation #378** *We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom*

Respond to God

Invitation to the Offering and the Sharing of Written Joys and Concerns

Today, joys and concerns will be expressed in writing and placed in the offering plates.

Pastor Rachel Srubas and Deacons will lift up requested prayers during the coming week.

The Offertory *Peace is Flowing Like a River* B. Pulkingham

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Christ, all people here below.
Praise Holy Spirit evermore.
One God, triune, whom we adore! Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Give Thanks to God

The Invitation to the Table

The Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and holy thing to give our praise to you this day,

Liberator of all Humankind.

You unleashed your creative power and a world blossomed.

You bestowed upon every living thing

life and breath, color and movement.

Holy are you, O God, and blessed is Jesus.

Regardless of anyone's status, ability, gender, age, or ethnicity,

he said, "You are a child of God. Share the feast!"

Jesus invited disciples, friends, and strangers alike to his table.

No matter how many battles we wage,

within ourselves, between neighbors, and against you,

your promise, vision and gift of peace and abundance continue.

We offer you this song of blessing and prayer.

Communion Song

Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord,
Broken and shared, life for the world;
Let us be wine, love freely poured;
Let us be one in the Lord! (repeat once)

The Communion 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.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Sacrament *Please come forward to be served. Those unable to come forward will be served in their seats. Gluten-free bread is available in the center of the tray.*

Prayer after Communion (unison)

Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ,
O God, we have taken bread and wine from your creation.
Joyfully we have celebrated Christ's dying and rising.
As we await the day of his coming,
with thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you
to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service.
Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.
Amen!

Go in God's Name

*Hymn #756

O God of Every Nation

*Charge and Benediction

*Sung Response

*Postlude

O God of Every Nation

William Reid-text,
Welsh Melody

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.