



**Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

**Sunday, August 13, 2017
The Nineteenth 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

An Appalachian Air

Gilbert Martin

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

Precious Lord

Dorsey & Allen

Call to Worship (responsive, adapted from Romans 10:11-15)

Worship Co-Leader: Skip Brauns

The Scriptures tell us, "Anyone who trusts in Christ will never be disgraced."
All people are the same in this respect.

We all have the same Lord, who gives generously to all who call.

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

How can people call on Christ to save, unless they believe in him?

And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him?

And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?

And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent?

That is why the Scriptures say,

"How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!" Amen.

***Hymn #697**

Take My Life, verses 1-4

Call to Confession (adapted from Romans 10:10)

Trusting God with our hearts leads us to live justly.

Confessing faith with our mouths leads to our salvation.

Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Gracious and trustworthy God,
at all times, you are good.
When life is hard, you have compassion on your people.
When things go wrong, you help us persevere.
When *we* go wrong, you make us aware of our shortcomings;
you welcome us to make amends and a fresh start.
We trust you to look upon each one of us with mercy.
We confess our confidence in Jesus Christ
to reach out his hand and save us when we fall.
(Please pause to offer a silent prayer.)
Why do we ever doubt you, O God?
Take our little faith and enlarge it,
so that our lives will glorify you,
and we may know the deep peace
of serving you without anxiety or fear. 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 Romans 10:8-9)

The word is near us, in our mouths and in our hearts.
This is the message of faith that we preach.
With our mouths, we confess: Jesus is Lord!
**In our hearts we have faith that God raised him from the dead,
and through him, we will be saved. Alleluia! 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.

Proclaim God's Word

Reading

Matthew 14: 22-33

(N.T. pg15.; lg. print pg.19)

Special Music

Who Can This Be?
Fran Moran – Soprano

David Haas

Sermon

Deep Faith

Rev. Rachel Srubas

*Hymn of Affirmation #463

How Firm a Foundation, verses 1-3

Respond to God

Invitation to Offering

The Offertory

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

Gerhardt & Walter

*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)

God, you call us to step out in faith,
to place our lives in your hands,
and to commit to following you.
By placing these offerings before you,
we seek to follow where you lead,
and see beyond our own desires
to your broader vision for us and for your world.
May we let go of our safety nets
and trust that you will provide for us in all things.
In Jesus' name we pray. 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.

Go in God's Name

*Hymn #840

When Peace Like a River

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Deep River Medley

Arr. E. Rendler

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.



**SUMMER
Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday
8:15am – 2:00 pm

Friday - CLOSED