



Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Sunday, November 19, 2017, 10:00 AM
The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Welcoming New Church Members

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

My Life is in Your Hands
Karen Lamkin - Soprano

James Stevens

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

Take My Life

F. Havergal & C. Malan

Call to Worship (responsive, adapted from 2 Corinthians 9:8-11)

Worship Co-Leader: Deborah Derting

God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and food for the hungry.

**In the same way, God provides and increases our resources
and produces a great harvest of generosity in us.**

We are enriched in every way
so that we can always be generous.

**When we share our gifts with those who need them,
they receive God's abundance, and offer God gratitude.**

Good things result from this ministry of giving.

**The needs of the people are met,
and joyfully, everyone gives thanks to God! Amen.**

***Hymn #336**

We Gather Together

Call to Confession

To God, even silence is praise.
All living beings turn to the One who listens to prayer.
When wrongdoing becomes too much for us,
God forgives sin. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (unison, based on Psalm 123)

**We raise our eyes to fix our gaze on you, O God,
who live in the heavens.
As a disciple looks to a teacher we look to you, Eternal One.
Waiting for you to pour out your mercy upon us.
We are not strangers to contempt and pain, O God.
Comfort and heal us. Instruct and guide us.
Remind us: we are not superior to others.
Nor do you call us to live our lives in shame.
(Please pause to offer a silent prayer.)
Hear our prayer, O God.
By your mercy, make us merciful.
By your respect, make us honorable.
By your tenderness, make us compassionate.
By the strength and humility of Jesus,
show us how to live, forgiven and faithful to you. Amen.
(Quiet prayer and reflection)**

Sung Response

Tune: 843, My Soul is at Rest

**My soul is at rest in God alone;
My salvation comes from God.**

Words of Assurance (responsive, adapted from 1 Thessalonians 5:9-11)

God chose to save us through our Lord Jesus Christ, not to pour out anger on us.
Christ gave his life for us so that we can live with him forever.
**Good news! Let us encourage each other and build each other up,
just as we are already doing. 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.

Choir Anthem *10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)* J. Myrin & M. Redman
Mountain Shadows Choir

Proclaim God's Word

Epistle Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (N.T. pg. 193; lg. print pg. 250)

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

Sermon How to Live Until the End of Our Days Rev. Rachel Srubas

Welcome of New Church Members

Introducing

Denise Edwards, Rod Hutton, Dorothy Grimm, Bill Grimm, JJ Johnston

Beverly Johnston, Garrett Rensing

Joyce Artman and Ed Artman, also new members, will be welcomed on a future Sunday.

*** Affirmation of Faith (unison)**

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve. Amen.**

***Prayer**

*** Hymn of Affirmation #300** *We Are One in the Spirit, verses 1-3*

Respond to God

Invitation to Offering

Met by God in the holiness of this place,
inspired by God's word, God's gifts, God's love,
encouraged by the presence and commitment of everyone around us,
let us give joyfully in response to God's generosity to us.

The Offertory *To You, O Lord, We Lift Our Eyes* Text-Webber, Music-Handel

***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)**

Giver of Life, we thank you for the chance to give.
We pray that we, and all whom our gifts bless,
will experience your goodness.
Through your greatest gift, Jesus Christ, 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 #643**

Now Thank We All Our God

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

Now Thank We All Our God

Johann Crüger

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.



Office Hours

Monday – Friday
8:15am – 1:15 pm