



**Mountain Shadows  
Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

**February 4, 2018 10:00AM**  
**Holy Communion on the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**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**

*Draw Me Close*

Arr. Mark Hayes

*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**

**Moment for Mission:** Presbytery Mission Partners, February 11

Jayne Raffety

**Introit**

*You Are Mine*

David Haas

**Call to Worship** (responsive, Isaiah 40:28-31)

**Worship Co-Leader:** Jayne Raffety

Have you heard? Have you understood?

The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of all the earth.

**God never grows weak or weary.**

**No one can measure the depths of God's understanding.**

The Holy One gives power to the weak and strength to the powerless.

Even youths will become weak and tired, and young people will fall in exhaustion.

**But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength.**

**They will soar high on wings like eagles.**

**They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint. Amen!**

**\*Hymn #43**

*You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord*

**Call to Confession** (based on Isaiah 40:26-27)

Look up into the heavens. Who created all the stars?

God brings them out, one after another, calling each by its name.

Because of God's great power and incomparable strength,  
not a single one is missing.

How can we ever say the Lord does not see our troubles?

How can we ever say God ignores our rights? Let us pray.

**Prayer of Confession** (unison)

**Tireless Creator, we must confess: we are weary.  
Forgive us for running ourselves ragged.  
Strong Savior, we need to admit our weaknesses to you.  
Forgive us for exploiting others' labor.  
You are the everlasting One, and yet, on the seventh day,  
even you rested, O God.  
We lay our heavy burdens before you now.  
(Please pause to offer a silent prayer.)  
Help us to honor our human limitations, O God.  
In the example of Jesus of Nazareth, show us our need  
for stillness, quiet, and re-creation.  
Let this be a day of rest for us and for others  
who need to be restored by your grace. Amen.  
(Quiet prayer and reflection)**

**Sung Response**

**Tune: 701**

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
pure and holy, tried and true.  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
sanctuary for you.**

**Words of Assurance** (responsive, adapted from Matthew 11:28-30 and 12:8)

Hear the words of Jesus: "Come to me, all you that are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.  
Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;  
for I am gentle and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.  
For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."  
We praise the Lord of the Sabbath who gives us rest! 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**

*They Shall Soar Like Eagles*  
Mountain Shadows Choir

Laura Manzo

## Proclaim God's Word

Gospel Reading

Mark 1:29-39

(N.T. pg. 33; lg. print pg.43)

Response

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

Sermon

Pull Back

Rev. Rachel Srubas

\*Hymn of Affirmation # 834

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

## Respond to God

**Invitation to the Offering** (based on Psalm 147:3-5a)

**and the Sharing of Written Joys and Concerns**

God heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.

The Holy One determines the number of the stars and gives to all of them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power.

Let us give our gifts and make our offerings as an act of praise and gratitude to God.

The Offertory

*Sing to God With Joy & Gladness*

John Bell

\*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 (unison, based on Psalm 147:1)

**We praise you, O Lord!**

**How good it is to give you praises, our God, who are gracious.**

**An offering of praise is fitting. Amen.**

## Give Thanks to God

**The Invitation to the Table**

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...

## 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 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 by Intinction

*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)

We have heard your word, O God, and now we understand:  
You are the everlasting Creator of all the earth.  
Thank you for the holy meal, prepared from the produce of the earth,  
which we have shared with Jesus and his people everywhere. Amen.

## Go in God's Name

\*Hymn #182

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

*Hymn to Joy*

Beethoven

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.