



**Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

**Sunday, August 19, 2018, 10:00 AM
The Twentieth 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 *Allegretto Fantasia* Sextus Miskow
Dorothy Grimm - Clarinet

Lighting of the Christ Candle and Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Introit *In the Singing, In the Silence* Text-Murray/Music-Young

Call to Worship (responsive, adapted from Ephesians 5:15-20)

Worship Co-Leader: Carlton Wiens

Sleepers, awake!

Rise up, and Christ will shine on you.

Be careful how you live, not as unwise people but as wise,
making the most of the time, because these are difficult days.

Let us not be foolish, but understand what is the will of the Lord.

May we be filled with the Spirit

**as we sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,
making melody to the Lord in our hearts.**

Give thanks to God at all times!

We thank God for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn #667** *When Morning Gilds the Skies*

Call to Confession (adapted from Proverbs 9:1-6)

Wisdom has built her house. She calls from the highest places in the town,
"You who are simple, turn in here!"

To those without sense she says,

"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.

Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight." Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Faithful God, you draw near to us
in our joy and in our grief,
in our hope and in our discouragement,
in our confusion and in our clarity.
When we are bowed down, you raise us up.
We turn to you now in search of your forgiveness,
your wisdom and your healing touch.
For any ways we have caused harm,
or have failed to offer help in the name of Jesus,
forgive us, in your mercy.
Illuminate our minds
so that we may know what is right and carry it out.
Soothe our sorrow and strengthen us to comfort others.
Come to our assistance, God of grace.
(Please pause to offer a silent prayer.)
God of compassion and love, move among us.
Instruct us and heal our hearts.
Help us never to despair of your mercy,
through Jesus Christ, our loving Lord. Amen.
(Quiet prayer and reflection)

Sung Response

Tune: 175 Lafferty

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!!

Words of Assurance (responsive)

God knows all our needs and takes them on, through Jesus.
God grants us compassion, forgiveness and renewal in Christ,
through whom we truly become God's people:
accepting help, claiming hope, offering help, giving thanks.
Alleluia! In Christ we are free to live with joy and courage. 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

Bread for the World
MSPC Summer Choir

Bernadette Farrell

Proclaim God's Word

Hebrew Bible Reading 1 Kings 2:10-12 and 3:3-14 (O.T. pg. 290; lg. print pg. 343)

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

Sermon What Should God Give Us? Rev. Rachel Srubas

***Hymn #470** *There Is a Longing in Our Hearts*

Respond to God

Invitation to the Offering

You and I have received so much from God:
food for our bodies and forgiveness to heal our spirits and our lives.
We have come to the moment in our worship
when we give back to God
a portion of what we have received, to express our gratitude
for everything God is doing in our lives.
Let us gather our gifts together
and offer them to God in thankfulness and praise.

The Offertory

Be Thou My Vision

Irish Ballad

***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)

**Bless, O God, every person present in your church today.
Bless these offerings, given to glorify you.
Bless everyone who has offered time and talent to your work.
We ask all this in your mighty name. 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 #307**

God of Grace and God of Glory

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

Klarinette-Konzert No. 3, III
Dorothy Grimm - Clarinet

C. Stamitz

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.