



Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Sunday, October 21, 2018, 10:00 AM
The Twenty-Ninth 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

On Eagles Wings

Michael Joncas

Mountain Shadows' Choir & Ensemble

Lighting of the Christ Candle and Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Introit

How Great Thou Art
Instrumental

Stuart K. Hine

Call to Worship (responsive, adapted from Psalm 104)

Worship Co-Leader: Dan Engeljohn

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great.
You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment.
You stretch out the heavens like a tent;
you set the beams of your chambers on the waters;
you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind;
you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers.
You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be shaken.
You cover it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.
At your rebuke they flee; at the sound of your thunder they take to flight.
They rose up to the mountains, ran down to the valleys
to the place that you appointed for them.
You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.
O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures. Praise the Lord!

***Hymn #34**

Bless the Lord, My Soul and Being, verses 1-4

Call to Confession (from Psalm 91:14-16)

Let us take to heart these promises of the Lord our God,
so that they may lead us into prayer:

Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name.

When they call to me, I will answer them;

I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue them and honor them.

With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God our strength, we love you.

For any ways that our actions have failed to show love,
forgive us and deliver us from self-deception.

God our shelter and our refuge,

we know your name, yet sometimes we misuse it.

When we conceal self-serving actions with a veneer of faith,
reveal the truth to us and teach us to be truthful.

God our listener, we call on you in the silence of our hearts.

Enable us to receive your answer.

(Please pause to offer a silent prayer.)

God our helper, be with us at all times.

Lead us out of trouble and rescue us from danger.

Honor us with your goodness our whole lives long.

Show us your salvation in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Please pause for silent reflection.)

Sung Response

Tune: 843, My Soul Is at Rest (refrain)

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

Words of Assurance (responsive, based on Hebrews 5:7-9)

While Jesus was here on earth,

he offered prayers and pleadings, with a loud cry and tears,
to the One who could rescue him from death.

God heard Jesus' prayers, which expressed his deep reverence for God.

Jesus became the source of eternal salvation for all those who listen to him.

Jesus has spoken and we have heard the good news of our salvation! 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

A Servant's Heart
Mountain Shadows' Choir

Shayla Blake

Proclaim God's Word

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:35-45

(N.T. pg. 44; lg. print pg. 57)

Response

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

Sermon

Let Go Your Ego, or, Empowered Servant Leadership

Rev. Rachel Srubas

***Hymn of Affirmation # 727** *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

Respond to God

Invitation to Offering (based on Job 38:39-41)

Hear these, the questions God asks:

*Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions,
when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert?*

*Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God,
and wander about for lack of food?*

The truth is, only God can satisfy and provide for all living beings.

Thankful for everything God has given to us, let us make our offerings.

The Offertory

Jesus Remember Me

Taizé

***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)

Holy Provider, Help for the hungry,
Caregiver for the young and old alike,
to you alone, and to your gracious purposes
we dedicate these gifts and ask that by your Spirit
you would cause this church to thrive in serving Christ. 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.*

Give Thanks to God

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

Lord, Bid Your Servants Go In Peace

Tune: 545 Land of Rest

Lord, bid your servants go in peace;
your gospel in our hearts,
we'll carry forth good news for all
in near and distant parts.

Be with us till we meet again;
go with us everywhere,
in all our ministries of love,
may we serve Jesus there!

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Song of Simeon

American Folk Melody

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.