



Mountain Shadows Presbyterian Church

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

Sunday, October 28, 2018, 10:00 AM
Reformation Sunday
Celebrating New Church Members and
Mountain Shadows' 21st Birthday

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

Beach Spring

Duane Funderbuck

Carol Reid-Violin, Marilyn Skoneczka-Flute,
Dorothy Grimm-Clarinet, John Reid-Bassoon

Lighting of the Christ Candle and Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Reflections on Our Beginnings, by a Charter Member of Mountain Shadows Irene Camp

Introit

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Scriven & Converse

Call to Worship (responsive, adapted from Psalm 46:1-5)

Worship Co-Leader: Irene Camp

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of the city; we shall not be moved;
God will help us when the morning dawns! Amen.

MOUNTAIN SHADOWS HYMN

Betty Bowers McMurry, 2003

Chrales Villers Stanford, 1904

1. Where shadowed mountains meet the desert sky, We gather
 2. There are no strangers in this sacred place, We welcome
 3. We bring our sorrows and our joys to share, We feel God's
 4. When deepening shadows tell the coming night, We'll live in

as the church to glo - if - fy the Lord our God whose name we
 every gender, age, and race to join our fel - low - ship in
 presence as we bow in prayer. To show Christ's love is now the
 faith sustained by God's great might. And know the peace of God's e -

magnify.
 God's embrace. Al - le - lu - ia!
 charge we bear.
 ternal light.

Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

The Welcome of New Church Members

Introducing Sam Leeper, Carol and John Reid, Janet Rives

Unison Prayer (unison)

Holy God, we praise you for calling us to be a servant people,
and for gathering us into the body of Christ.
We thank you for choosing to add new members to this family of faith.
Together, may we live in your Spirit, and so love one another,
that we may have the mind of Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom we give honor and glory forever. 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

By Faith & Not By Sight
Mountain Shadows' Choir

Lloyd Larson

Proclaim God's Word

Bible Readings

Various "Seedy" Scriptures

Sermon The Thrive Project: Seven Seeds for our Future Flourishing

Rev. Rachel Srubas

*Hymn of Affirmation # 714

God of the Fertile Fields

Respond to God

Invitation to Offering (adapted from Psalm 126:1-2)

When the Lord restored our fortunes,
we were like those who dream.
Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with shouts of joy;
then it was said among the people,
"The Lord has done great things for them."
For the great things God has done for us,
let us make our offerings of thanks.

The Offertory

March from Judas Maccabaeus
Rod Hutton-Trumpet, Julie Wiens-Trumpet,
JJ Johnston-Trombone

G. 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, adapted from Psalm 126:3-6)

God, you have done great things for us, and we rejoice.
You have restored our fortunes, O Lord.
May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.
Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves. 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.

*Hymn #611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

O Worship the King
Mountain Shadows Ensemble

John Jay Hilfiger

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.