



**Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

August 25, 2019, 10:00AM
The Twentieth-First 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

Chris Tackett

Lighting the Christ Candle and Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Introit

Chris Tackett

Call to Worship (responsive, inspired by Hebrews 12: 22, 24, 25, 28)

Worship Co-Leader: Mary Ann Butler

We have come into the company of the living God,
who is the righteous Judge of all.

**We have come to Jesus, the peacemaker,
the maker of a new covenant between God and humankind.**

May we never turn away from the One who is speaking.

Let us all be thankful that we are part of God's unshakable realm.

We offer God our worship, our reverence and awe. Amen.

***Hymn #15**

All Creatures of our God and King, verses 1-4

Call to Confession (based on Isaiah 58:9-10)

If we remove the yoke from among us,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if we offer our food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then our light shall rise in the darkness and our gloom be like the noonday.
Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (responsive, based on Isaiah 58:11-14)

Lord, we need you to **guide us continually.**
Satisfy our needs in parched places
and make our bones strong, we pray.
Pour your grace into our lives
like a spring whose waters never fail.
Rebuild the ruined parts of us. Raise us up to new life
and restore the foundations of our faith.
Help us repair any brokenness we have caused.
If we have trampled on the rights of others, forgive us.
If we have pursued our own interests
when we could have served others humbly,
restore our commitment to following you.
(Please pause to offer silent prayer.)
We honor you, our Lord.
We delight in you on this holy day.
You lift us up to new life,
and you feed us with the bread of your word. Amen.
(Quiet prayer and reflection)

Sung Response

Tune: 795 refrain

Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.

Words of Assurance (responsive, based on Psalm 103:2-5)

Bless the Lord with all your soul!
Don't forget the benefits of God,
who forgives you, heals, and redeems you.
Our God has crowned us with steadfast love and mercy,
We are satisfied by God's goodness
and we rise up, renewed like young eagles! 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 Christ be with you! **And also with you!** Please share a sign of Christ's peace.

Proclaim God's Word

Gospel Reading

Luke 13:10-17

(N.T. pg. 71; lg. print pg. 92)

Response

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Unruly Love

Rev. Rachel Srubas

*Hymn of Affirmation #766 *The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound*

Respond to God

Invitation to Offering

Healing was a gift Jesus could give. What about us?
We give resources that become the means of ministry.
Our offerings also consist of care and compassion.
Whether we give gifts of coins, or checks, or encouragement,
let us give them in a spirit of grateful generosity.

The Offertory

Chris Tackett

*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)

May we welcome your gifts, and the gifts of each one here,
with thanksgiving, Loving God. May we share these gifts with grace,
so others might be touched by your love, healed by your touch,
fed and nourished by your compassion. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Give Thanks to God

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 Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it 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 #765

May the God of Hope Go With Us

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Chris Tackett

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.