



**Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

October 20, 2019 10:00AM
The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrating Mountain Shadows' Ministry Fair

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

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord
Steven Cupo - Bass

Craig Courtney

Lighting the Christ Candle and Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Introit

Seek Ye First

Karen Lafferty

Call to Worship (responsive, based on Psalm 119 and Jeremiah 31)

Worship Co-Leader: Carlton Wiens

How beautiful is the word of the Lord!

How wise are God's commandments!

Through the Lord's precepts, we gain understanding.

Through God's wisdom, we find truth.

The Lord is our God; we are God's people.

God's word lives within us, for it is written on our hearts.

Living Word, Great Teacher, lead us and guide us!

Amen!

***Hymn #612**

We Praise You, O God

Call to Confession

Call to Confession (inspired by Jeremiah 31)

When we cry out, God helps us without delay.

Do not lose heart, for the Lord forgives our iniquity
and remembers our sin no more. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession

From the least of us, to the greatest,
Lord, we want to know you;
we yearn to follow where you lead us;
we need your guidance.
But even as we listen for your direction,
other voices compete for our attention
with teachings that suit our desires.
At times our thoughts drift so far from your word,
that fictions and falsehoods begin to seem real.
Restore in us your truth, we pray.
(Please pause to offer silent prayer.)
Holy One, open our hearts and minds.
By your Spirit,
convince, correct, and encourage us
as only you can;
teach and inspire us
in the ways of your salvation.
We pray in the name of Jesus. 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, inspired by Luke 18)

God guides our feet,
and keep us from every false way.
We are restored by God alone,
who speaks the words of life! Alleluia! 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.

Choral Anthem

Be Thou My Vision
Mountain Shadows Choir

Arr. Heather Sorenson

Proclaim God's Word

Hebrew Bible Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

(O.T. pg.29; lg. print pg.37)

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:1-8

(N.T. pg.76; lg. print pg.99)

Response

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

Sermon

Don't Lose Heart

Rev. Denise Edwards

The Dedication of Blessing Blankets for Young Adult Volunteers

***Hymn of Affirmation #319**

Rise Up and Sing (Shout to the North)

Respond to God

The Invitation to the Offering

Our gracious God has granted us wisdom,
understanding, and knowledge
far greater than that of any teacher.
The Lord has freely given us
love and grace in abundance.
Let us make our offerings and give our gifts
to express our thanks to God.

The Offertory

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Paul Baloche

***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)**

As you have shared your gifts with us,
O God, we share these gifts with you,
so that all the world may know you.
As you have led us by the hand,
we offer our hands to your service,
in praise and thanksgiving. 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 #733

We All Are One in Mission

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

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Edwards & Woodward

The Worship has ended. The Service begins.