



**Mountain Shadows
Presbyterian Church**

Centered in Christ, Caring for Community

**February 9, 2020, 10:00AM
The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
The Ordination and Installation of Deacons and Elders**

Gather in God's Name

*Thank you for silencing all mobile phones. This symbol * means worshipers may stand.
Please sign the attendance pad, found on the chair on the center aisle.
When all have signed, pass the pad back to the center.*

The Threefold Chime & Prelude *I Know My Redeemer* G. F. Handel
Dawn Doorn & Charmaine Piane Dame

Lighting of the Christ Candle and Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, Introductions of Guests and Visitors

Introit *Christ Be Our Light* B. Farrell

Call to Worship (responsive) **Worship Co-Leader: Rev. Denise Edwards**

God said, "Let there be light."
And there was light.
Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."
And the light shone in the darkness.
Jesus said, "You are the light of the world."
And the light shall not be quenched! Amen.

***Hymn #350** *Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning*

Call to Confession (based on 1 Corinthians 2:9)

No eye has seen,
no ear has heard,
no human heart has conceived
what God has prepared for those who love the Lord.
These things God has revealed to us through the Spirit;
for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.
Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Lord God, your Spirit, who searches everything,
knows how we need the grace and mercy only you can bring.
Search our hearts and minds.**

**Help us face our private hurts so that we may become compassionate
toward others who suffer.**

**Awaken us to the pain of people
who have never had a chance to thrive.**

**Alert us to the hunger of malnourished neighbors,
and the vulnerability of those without homes.**

**For any carelessness we have shown toward the poor,
forgive us and remake us in Christ's image, we pray.**

(Please pause to offer silent prayer.)

Let your light dawn on us once again, O God.

Let your healing spring up in our spirits.

**Forgiven and unburdened by guilt,
may we do our part to lighten others' burdens.**

**Healed by your grace,
may we make reparations in broken communities
and help restore shattered lives**

wherever you send us in Jesus' name. Amen.

(Quiet prayer and reflection)

Sung Response

Tune: 701

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
sanctuary for you.**

Words of Assurance (responsive, inspired by Psalm 112)

Praise the Lord!

All who humbly trust in God are blessed beyond expression.

Even when darkness has overtaken them, light will come bursting in.

We do not fear bad news or live in dread of what may happen.

The good news of God's love for all the world

frees us to accept Christ's forgiveness and grace. Alleluia!

***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

Can't Carry These Burdens Alone
Mountain Shadows Choir

J. Parker & M. Barrett

Proclaim God's Word

Gospel Reading

Matthew 5:13-19

(N.T. pg.4 ; lg. print pg. 5)

Response

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

Sermon

Scattered and Shining

Rev. Rachel Srubas

The Ordination and Installation of Deacons and Elders

Presenting Deacons-Elect: Chuck Sherman, Alida Wilkes, Connie Wortman

Presenting Elders-Elect: Mary Ann Butler, Therese Griffin, Sam Leeper

The Ordination and Installation Questions

Prayer with Laying-On of Hands (ordained church leaders may come forward)

Celebration of Those Newly Ordained and Installed

***Hymn #69**

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Respond to God

The Invitation to the Offering (inspired by Psalm 112)

Blessed are people who trust in God.

They will not be overthrown by life's challenges.

God's constant care of them makes a deep impression on all who see it.

Blessed are those who give generously to those in need.

Their deeds will never be forgotten.

The Offertory

This Little Light of Mine
Mountain Shadows Ensemble

African American Spiritual

***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, Intercession, and The Lord's Prayer (responsive)**

We trust in you, Generous Giver of every good gift.
Let these gifts shine the light of your love
through this congregation and our ministries.
Where people face painful challenges,
let these offerings bring hope and help.
**O God, may we, who place these gifts before you,
experience the deep peace of knowing
that you will work through them
to bring about your life-giving purposes.**
We also place before you the prayers of our hearts.
Bring your healing to those who are hurting or ill.
Let struggling people be encouraged,
and grieving souls be comforted.
Send your Spirit of justice and peace
wherever there is need for wrongs to be made right.
And where you have acted to restore and bless your people,
let there be joy in the goodness of your ways.
We pray in Jesus' name,
lifting up the prayer he taught his disciples:
**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 744**

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

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The Worship has ended. The Service begins.