



Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day



Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 27, 2019

† Those who are able, please stand

Westminster Peal

Prelude

"Like A River Glorious"

arr. by Marilyn Ham

GATHERING

Welcome and Church Family Life

Rev. Susan Haynes

Introit

"Sing of God Made Manifest"

by Carl Daw, Jr., Jakob Hintze, J.S. Bach

*Sing of God made manifest on the cloud-capped mountain's crest,
Where the law and prophets waned so that Christ alone remained:
Glimpse of glory, pledge of grace, given as Jesus set his face,
Towards the waiting cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.*

† **Gathering as the Children of God**

Elizabeth Small

One: What a beautiful thing to be called to worship!

All: *What a gift to come together in praise!*

One: We are different people with different lives and different stories.

All: *But, in Christ, we are one.*

One: So, as one, we come and worship God.

All: *As one, we set aside our differences, and focus on our shared identity in Christ.*

One: Let us come together in worship.

All: *Let us come together because we are one in him.*

† **Hymn No. 455** (verses 1, 3, 5, & 6)

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

† **Prayer of Confession** (unison)

Elder Charlie Gray

*Merciful God, you have created us to be one body,
but we confess that we too often seek to be islands unto ourselves.*

Those of us who are eyes say we have no need of the feet.

Those of us who are hands say we have no need of the ears.

Some of us make ourselves to be more important than we are.

*Some of us are guilty of the opposite,
convincing ourselves we are less important than we really are.*

*Help us to embrace our place within your Body,
to treat each part of the Body with great respect,*

and to arrange ourselves to do your will the best way we can.

Amen.

† **Assurance of Pardon**

Elder Gray

One: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

All: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Alleluia! Amen!*

† **Response** "Glory to the Father" (Hymn no. 567)
*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Amen. Amen.*

† **Passing of the Peace** Elder Gray
One: The peace of Christ be with you.
All: *And also with you.*

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination Elizabeth Small

New Testament Lesson (p. 163 NT) 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Elizabeth Small
One: This is the word of the Lord.
All: *Thanks be to God.*

Anthem/Special Music "Come Now, O Prince of Peace" Geonyong Lee/arr. Jeremy Bankson
*Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one body,
Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.
Come now, O God of love, make us one body. Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.
Come now and set us free, O God, our Savior. Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.
Come, Hope of unity, make us one body. Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile nations.*

Sermon "One Body, Many Parts" Rev. Haynes

† **Affirmation of Faith** from A Brief Statement of Faith Rev. Haynes
*In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.
In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.
Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage.
Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.
With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

† **Hymn No. 525** "Here I Am, Lord"

Ordination and Installation of Elders

Elder Carden and Rev. Haynes

Statement on Ordination and Installation

Presentation of Elder-Elects

To be ordained and installed: Jon Barber, Melinda Carden, Bryan McClintock

To be installed: Malinda Holmes

Constitutional Questions

To the candidates

To the congregation:

Leader: Do we, the members of the church, accept these as elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

People: We do.

Leader: Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

People: We do.

Prayer of Ordination

Declaration of Ordination and Installation

Welcome and Charge

THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

Offering

Offertory

"Melody in F"

by Artur Rubenstein

† Response

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

† Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Elizabeth Small

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.

SENDING

† Closing Hymn No. 369

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

† Benediction

Rev. Haynes

† Congregational Response (hymn no. 588)

"Amen"

† Postlude

"I'll Fly Away"

arr. by Mark Hayes

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In Memoriam

Bob Allen

October 17, 1929 - January 23, 2019



MVPC Mission Statement

Blessed to Be a Blessing

We are a Presbyterian church filled with love and energy – an inclusive congregation committed to spiritual growth through *worship, study, fellowship, and service*.

- As **children of God**, we seek to *praise* God in worship and in all that we say and do
- As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we *listen* to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community
- As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to *love* one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles
- **Moved by the Spirit**, we *serve* our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.



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