



Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

20th Sunday after Pentecost
October 27, 2019
11:00 a.m.

† Those who are able, please stand

Prelude "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Op. 135a, No. 5
Max Reger (1873-1916) & BuxWV 184 - Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Westminster Peal

GATHERING

Welcome and Church Family Life Rev. Barrett Abernethy

Moved by the Spirit Gill Hutt

Introit "To Bless the Earth" Melchior Vulpius (1570-1615)

Gathering as the Children of God Ann Addison

One: Be still!

All: We come to quiet ourselves in this haven of holiness.

One: Be still and know

All: we come to discern the Word that can set us free.

One: Be still and know that God is . . .

All: our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer.

† Hymn No. 260 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" EIN' FESTE BURG

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Merciful God, in baptism you have joined us to Christ in his death and resurrection, and you have united us with all who are baptized in Christ's name; but too often we fail to live as one people and to seek the unity of your church.



In baptism you have called the church to witness to Christ in all realms of life; but too often we do not seek to discern your will and to carry out your mission in the world.

Choir

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Chris-te e - le - i - son, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

In baptism you have sent us to serve all for whom Christ died; but too often we have ignored the suffering of the oppressed, the needs of the poor, the sorrow of those who are lonely and abandoned. Often, we have not been able to recognize your face in our neighbors.

...Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

One: ...Friends, believe the Good New of the Gospel.

All: *In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

† **Response No. 579**

Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

† **Passing of the Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

Please exchange greetings of peace and welcome with your neighbor.

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7, 11

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One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

"A Future With Hope"

Monnie Anderson

† **Hymn No. 388**

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

ANGEL'S STORY

Reception of New Member

One: ...There is one body and one Spirit,
Just as you were called to the one hope of your calling,

All: *one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father
of all, who is above all and through all and in all.*

† Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Abernethy

After each petition, Pastor will say "Lord, In Your Mercy."

Congregation will respond with "Hear Our 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 in temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

Offering

Offertory

"How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place" from *A German Requiem*

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

† Doxology (#592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

† Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Abernethy

SENDING

† Closing Hymn No. 442

"The Church's One Foundation"

AURELIA

† Benediction

† Choral Response

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

John Fawcett (1739-1817)

† Postlude

"Prélude" from *Suite Médiévale*

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)



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.

Upcoming Events

November 3		All Saints Sunday
November 3	Noon	Officer Training—Session Room
November 3		Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 10		Stewardship Sunday

Worship Participants for October 27, 2019

Pastor - Rev. Barrett Abernethy	Guest Organist - Dr. Kenneth Sass
Guest Preacher - Monnie Anderson	Interim Dir. of Music - Matthias Young
Liturgist - Ann Addison	



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