



# Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

4th Sunday after Epiphany  
February 2, 2020  
11:00 a.m.

† Those who are able, please stand

Prelude "Méditation" Op. 31, No. 7 Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

Westminster Peal

## GATHERING

Welcome and Church Family Life Rev. Barrett Abernethy

Introit "Blessed are the Pure in Heart" H. Walford Davies

Gathering as the Children of God Braegan Abernethy

One: What does the Lord require of you?

**All: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.**

One: What does God command of us?

**All: To love God with all our heart, and all our soul, and all our mind, and all our strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

One: God does not call us to ease or to comfort.

**All: But to presence, and abundance, and grace in our struggle.**

One: Let us worship the God who believes in us, and trusts in us, and abides with us.

**All: Let us worship the God who will ask much of us, but will be beside us every step of the way.**

† Hymn #483 "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above" MIT FREUDEN ZART

Prayer of Confession (*unison*) Braegan Abernethy

O Great God, you tell us to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly. Instead we do injustice toward those whom we deem unworthy and deplorable, we offer hate and mistrust toward those we fear and reject, and we walk with hubris as if we are holier than thou. Hear our cries of forgiveness, offer us the redemption of a clean heart, and place within us a righteous spirit that would welcome the opportunity to live justly, kindly, and humbly. Allow us to see each other as worthy children of God, let us offer love in the same way your Son, Jesus Christ did, to serve outcasts and sinners, so we make with humility and in that walk shine in your light. To you be all praise and glory ...

*Silent Confession....Amen.*

Choral Response

Kyrie Eleison

## 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

Micah 6:1-8

pg. 816

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

#### Sermon

*"Who is Like the Lord?"*

Rev. Abernethy

## RESPONSE

## † Hymn #387

*"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"*

BRADBURY

## † Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene' Creed

*We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us, for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilot. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

### Offering

Offertory

"Answer to the Call"

Mary McDonald

### † Doxology (#592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*\* Please Wait for Pastor & Choir to Stand \*  
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

#### Invitation to the Lord's Table

#### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: Then in the fullness of time...who forever sing to the glory of your name: **(sung by Choir)**

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,*

*heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

Pastor: You are holy, O God... For Great is the mystery of faith: **(sung by Choir)**

*Christ has died.*

*Christ has risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

#### Prayers of the People...concluding with Lord's 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 into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

#### Words of Institution

#### Distribution of the Bread and Cup

#### Prayer after Communion

## SENDING

† Closing Hymn #425	“Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining”	ABBOT’S LEIGH
† Benediction		
† Choral Response	“Amen”	Marty Haugen
† Postlude	“Toccatà in F Major, BuxWV 157”	
		Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

### Upcoming Events:

February 16	10:00 a.m.	Quarterly Ministry Team Meetings
February 23	7:30 a.m.	Fellowship of the Carpenter (Men’s Group)
	Both Services	Youth Sunday
	Noon	Burning of the Palms
February 26	6:00 p.m.	Pancake Dinner
	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service

### Worship Participants for February 2, 2020

Pastor - Rev. Barrett Abernethy	Guest Organist - Dr. Kenneth Sass
Director of Music - Matthias Young	Liturgist - Braegan Abernethy



Giving to MVPC is easy online  
<http://mvpchurch.org/index.php/donate/>

---

### MVPC Staff

Rev. Barrett Abernethy, Pastor/Head of Staff  
Matthias Young, Director. of Music  
Steve Ray, Church Finance & Operations

Debbie Nysewander, Administrative Assistant  
Yvonne White, Financial Secretary  
Terri Clayton, Communications Coordinator