

VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Transfiguration Sunday
February 23, 2020 ▪ 10:00 a.m.



Lectionary Selections of Scripture for this Sunday:

Exodus 24:12-18 ~ Psalm 99

2 Peter 1:16-21 ~ **Matthew 17:1-9**

The MISSION of
Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church (USA)
is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ
with everyone through Worship, Prayer,
Education, Fellowship, and Mission Outreach.

Gathering around God's Word

HYMN PRELUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise, GtG 12
(choir and congregation will sing)

CHIMES

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the fellowship pad to the inside aisle.

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

We Fall Down, GtG 368
(choir and congregation will sing)

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: The Holy One is our sovereign.

All: Let us praise God's great and awesome name!

Leader: Mighty ruler, lover of justice,

All: you have established fairness among us.

OPENING PRAYER

God of majesty and might, you have blessed us with revelations of your glory. Give us the gift of faith, that we may hear your voice for ourselves and see Jesus Christ revealed to us that we may stand on our own without fear. Amen.

⌘OPENING HYMN of PRAISE

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken, GtG 81

CONFESSION and time of self-examination (congregation may be seated)

Leader: Trusting God's steadfast love, let us confess our sin.

All: Glorious God, you are all wisdom and a lamp to our feet, yet we fail to listen to you and neglect to follow your guidance. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us on, that we may walk in your ways and be happy in your refuge; in Jesus Christ we pray.

SILENT PRAYER of CONFESSION

SUNG RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy upon Us, GtG 575

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: The good news of our faith is this: if we call upon God we will be answered and forgiven. That promise gives us peace and joy; let us share that peace and joy with one another.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

⌘ GLORIA PATRI *Glory Be to the Father, GtG 581*

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 the PEACE of CHRIST

May the Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

Encountering God's Word

⌘ SONG for ILLUMINATION

Open the Eyes of My Heart, GtG 452

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jane Schockey

(Preschool children are now excused to the Church Nursery)

The ANTHEM

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

Arranged by William L. Dawson

Refer to GtG 66.

The SCRIPTURE

NEWER TESTAMENT READING:

Matthew 17:1-9

HEBREW TESTAMENT READING:

Exodus 12:12-18

The word of the Lord ... **Thanks be to God!**

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Erica L. Harley

Responding to God's Word

⌘ 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 life everlasting. Amen.

⌘ SONG of AFFIRMATION

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd, GtG 274

⌘ INVITATION to the OFFERING

Our God has revealed to us a law and a love that leads us into becoming God's own daughters and sons. Therefore, let us gratefully give from that which has first been given to us, our lives, our talents, and our possessions.

(congregation may be seated)

The OFFERTORY

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Arranged by Lloyd Larson

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord
to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause your Word to come alive in me;
Come alive, give faith for what I cannot see.
Give me passion for your purity;
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within;
may your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
in each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least;
gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace.
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
giving life to all that God has made.
Show your power once again on earth,
cause your church to hunger for your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;
lead us on the road of sacrifice,
that in unity the face of Christ
will be clear for all the world to see.

Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

⌘ DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*, **GtG 606**

*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 DEDICATION

God of mountaintops and valleys, be our vision of you clouded or brilliantly clear, we faithfully add our gifts to those being given all around us. Bless these offerings that they may be transfigured into your presence in the world. Amen.

(congregation may be seated)

MORNING PRAYER & OUR 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!**

Taking God's Word out, into our Worlds

⌘ CLOSING HYMN *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*, **GtG 65**

⌘ BENEDICTION

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⌘POSTLUDE

⌘ Please stand if able.

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UPCOMING WORSHIP

Ash Wednesday Service – Merriman Chapel
Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 7pm
Ashes and Communion

Communion Worship Service – Sanctuary
Sunday, March 1, 2020 at 10am
Worship and Communion

SESSION		
2020	2021	2022
John Hargleroad	Karen DiOrio	Lynne Exley
Rowena Baker	Michelle John (2)	Ted Owens (2)
Jill Flanagan (2)	Bob Kanters (2)	Frank Provance
Bettie Steele (2)	Drew Seabright	Jim Squibb
DEACONS		
2020	2021	2022
Diane Crawl (2)	Kathy Hannan (2)	Kathy Baker
Russ Green (2)	Tom John	Andy Barger
Janet Hart (2)	Kevin Miller	Don Dague
Joelle Oliver	Joanne Winters (2)	Danna Tyska

The PASTOR and CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Erica L. Harley ~ Senior Pastor

Jane Schockey ~ Church Administrator/C.E. Director

Deborah Podolski Breiding ~ Director of Music

Russ Brown ~ Head Custodian

Jay Carenbauer ~ Custodian

Keith Wilson ~ Sound, Video, and Media Coordinator

Christina Kestner ~ Seminary Intern for Outreach & Community Service

Kimberly Wolfe ~ Nursery Attendant

~ MINISTERS of the CHURCH: ALL MEMBERS ~

MISSION PERSONNEL of OUR DIRECT CONCERN

Caleb and Claire (Seabright) Bermudez

COMMISSIONS	ELDER MEMBERS
Building and Property	Jim Squibb, John Hargleroad, Drew Seabright
Christian Education	Jill Flanagan and Bettie Steele
Evangelism, Fellowship, & Membership	John Hargleroad, Michelle John, Bob Kanters, and Karen DiOrio
Mission Outreach & Community Service	Michelle John, Karen DiOrio and Rowena Baker
Worship & Music	Bob Kanters, Lynne Exley, and Bettie Steele
COMMITTEES	ELDER MEMBERS
Nominating	Rowena Baker and Michelle John
Personnel	Drew Seabright and Jim Squibb
Stewardship, Finance & Memorial	Frank Provance
DEACON LEADERS	Diane Crawl and Janet Hart
OFFICERS	
Clerk of Session	Julie Squibb
Church Treasurer	Paul Limbert