

VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

May 13, 2018 ▪ 10:00 a.m.



Lectionary Selections of Scripture for this Sunday:

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 ~ Psalm 1 ~ 1 John 5:9-13 ~ John 17:6-19

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Open My Eyes That I May See, GtG 451 (PH 324)

CHIMES

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

Lord, You Have My Heart, See Screen

UNISON OPENING PRAYER

All: Holy One, open us to the possibility that we are being chosen to be new disciples with new ministries in Jesus' name.

Amen.

RESPONSIVE CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Happy are those who do not ridicule and scoff

All: but who delight in God's teachings

Leader: and meditate on them day and night.

All: They are like trees planted by streams of water.

Leader: They yield fruit in due season,

All: and their leaves do not wither.

⌘OPENING HYMN of PRAISE

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak, GtG 722 (PH 426)

CONFESSION and time of self-examination

Leader: The Lord watches over our ways. Let us put our trust in God's grace and confess our sins.

All: God, though you call us to delight in your teachings, we can become cynical and full of doubt. Do not judge us, we pray, but heal us and restore us to you. Guard us and protect us from evil, and sanctify us in truth; in Jesus' name.

SILENT PRAYER of CONFESSION

And all of God's children say: **Amen!**

SUNG RESPONSE *Spirit of the Living God, GtG 288 (PH 322)*

RESPONSIVE DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: In Christ Jesus, God has promised to forgive us and reconcile us to God and each other. With joy, let us share that peace with one another.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

⌘ GLORIA PATRI

⌘ PASSING the PEACE of CHRIST

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

⌘ SONG of PREPARATION *There is a Redeemer, GtG 443*

Encountering God's Word

UNISON PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

All: May the reading of your Word sanctify us in the truth and bring us to perfect joy. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Miss Jane

The ANTHEM

From Generation to Generation (Thou Art God)

Words by Gail McGoig Blanton

TUNE: BUNESSAN; Traditional Gaelic Melody

Arranged by Marty Parks

SCRIPTURE for the SERMON **Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 NRSV**

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶"Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— ¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry."

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us— one of these must become a witness with us to his

resurrection.”²³ So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias.²⁴ Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.”²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

The Word of God ... **Thanks be to God!**

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Erica L. Harley

Responding to God’s Word

INVITATION to the OFFERING

Leader: God invites us to give the testimony of our hearts in practical offerings of money and time. Therefore, let us testify to God’s love by bringing our gifts.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

I Have Felt the Hand of God

Words by Pamela Martin

Music by Craig Courtney

⌘ DOXOLOGY

UNISON PRAYER of DEDICATION

All: Jesus has made God known to us. We already belong to God. And so we dedicate these gifts to God’s service and to the glory of God’s name. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER & OUR LORD’S PRAYER unison

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

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!, **GtG 839 (PH 341)**

⌘ BENEDICTION

⌘ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

VANCE CHOIR

⌘ POSTLUDE

⌘ Please stand if able.

PH=Presbyterian Hymnal (Blue);
CH=Celebration Hymnal (Red)
GTG=Glory to God (screen or insert)

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**10:00 a.m. Service of Worship regularly
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Lectionary Selections of Scripture for NEXT Sunday:

Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 ~ Ezekiel 37:1-14 ~ Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:22-27 ~ John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

May 20, 2018 ▪ 10:00 a.m.

2018 CHURCH DIRECTORY

Clerk of Session.....Julie Squibb
President of the Board of Deacons.....Russ Green
Church Treasurer.....Paul Limbert
Chairperson of Building and Property Commission.....Ted Owens
Chairperson of Christian Education Commission.....Jill Flanagan
Chairperson of Worship & Music Commission.....Howard Monroe
Chairperson of Missions Commission.....Carol Obermann
Chairperson of Personnel Committee.....Beth Ann Dague
Chairpersons of Hospitality.....Sue Abraham, Rowena Baker, Carol Myers
Chairperson of Finance/Memorials Committee..... Michelle John
Chairperson of Nominating Committee.....Scott Winters
Chairperson of Stewardship Committee.....Jay Frey
Chairperson of Evangelism and Membership.....John Hargleroad
Moderator of Presbyterian Women.....Virginia Dulany

SESSION

2018	2019	2020
Jay Frey	Beth Ann Dague	John Hargleroad
Howard Monroe	Ted Owens	Phil Polack
Carol Obermann	Geri Sloane	Jill Flanagan
Michelle John	Scott Winters	Bettie Steele

DEACONS

2018	2019	2020
Kathy Hannan	Ann Bopp	Diane Crowl
Michael Hires	Marjorie Easton	Russ Green
Louise Limbert	Carol Myers	Janet Hart
Joanne Winters	Karen Seabright	Joelle Oliver

Congregational Nominating Committee for 2018

Members "at large" from our congregation:
 Ginny Dulany, Sam Driehorst and Lynne Exley
 Deacon: Michael Hires Elders: Geri Sloane & Scott Winters

MISSION PERSONNEL of OUR DIRECT CONCERN

Caleb & Claire (Seabright) Bermudez

~ **MINISTERS of the CHURCH: ALL MEMBERS** ~

The PASTOR and CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Erica L. Harley ~ **Senior Pastor**
 Jane Schockey ~ **Church Administrator/C.E. Director**
 Deborah Podolski Breiding ~ **Director of Music**
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