

VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTER COMMUNION

June 2, 2019 ▪ 10:00 a.m.



Lectionary Selections of Scripture for this Sunday:

Acts 16:16-34 ~ Psalm 97

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 ~ **John 17:20-26**

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

PRELUDE

Faith of Our Fathers

HEMY-WALTON arranged by Tedd Smith and Dan Hustad

HYMN PROCESSIONAL

Freedom Is Coming, GtG 359

CHIMES

LET the CHILDREN COME

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CALL to WORSHIP

The Spirit says, "Come."

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let everyone who hears say, "Come."

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

Let everyone who is thirsty come.

Come to the tree of life, the Alpha and the Omega.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

CHORAL INTROIT

The Music of Living....Dan Forrest

Giver of life, Creator of all that is lovely,
Teach me to sing the words to Your song.

I want to feel the music of living;
I want to feel the music of living;
And not fear the sad songs
But from them make new songs
Composed of both laughter and tears.

Giver of life, Creator of all that is lovely,
Teach me to dance to the sounds of Your world.

I want to move in rhythm with Your plan.
Help me to follow Your leading,
To risk even falling,
To rise and keep trying,
For You are leading the dance.

Giver of life, Creator of all that is lovely,
Teach me to sing the words to Your song.

OPENING PRAYER

O God, who opens our prison doors and releases us from our faults, keep us near to you in the hours of each day that by the power of the prayer Jesus prays for us and the light of your Word we might drink of your living water, know true joy, and serve you to the end of time. Amen.

⌘ OPENING HYMN of PRAISE *Morning Has Broken*, **GtG 664**

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

Leader: Trusting in the promise of grace, let us tell the whole truth about ourselves and beg God's mercy for the renewal and amendment of our lives.

All: Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the whole world. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER of CONFESSION

SUNG RESPONSE *Lord, Have Mercy*, **GtG 551**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: In the compassion of the God who prays for us, with us, and in us, you are forgiven, for the sake of the one who was sent to show us the face of love and who died and rose, one with the Father and with us.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

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

⌘ PASSING the PEACE of CHRIST

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

Encountering God's Word

⌘ SONG for ILLUMINATION

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

TRADITIONAL AMERICAN MELODY arranged by Tom Fettke

Words by John Newton with additional words by Chris Tomlin and Louie Giglio

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Erica L. Harley

The ANTHEM

Elijah Rock

TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL arranged by Moses Hogan

The SCRIPTURE

NEWER TESTAMENT READING:

Acts 16:16-34

NEWER TESTAMENT GOSPEL READING:

John 17:20-26

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

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Erica L. Harley

Responding to God's Word

The SERVICE of REMEMBRANCE

2009

Catherine Bradford
Dottie Clarke
William Eichelberger
Eleanore Galloway
Carl Grub
Doris Hastings
Harriet Kenamond
Ruth Mann
Charlotte Riemer
Sam Schafer

2010

Dorothy Braddock
Eugene Culp
Estella Deakin
Margaret Feazell
Carolyn Hendrickson
Evelyn Kalkreuth
Douglas McKay

2011

Alan Adams
Jack Barger
Margret Bauer
Maude Bougher
Marjorie Dalzell
Susan Ezell
Barbara Lewis
Betty Anne Meek
Joe Steele

2012

Jean Coughlan
Bonnie Downie
Wilmer Heceta
Martha Plusquellec
John Welty
Jean Wyatt

2013

Margaret Akers
Nick Baker
Don Garvin
Anne Geyer
Ann Osborne

2014

Michael Cox
Kathleen Hannig
John Medick
John Morrison
Nancy Paull
Joyce Welty

2015

Gordon Downie
Mary Jane Hopkins
Nancy Monroe
Mary Ellen Robinson
Lloyd Smith

2016

Brent Bush
Betty Campbell
Ruth Hare
Carol Maxwell
Linda Morrison
Daniel Naranch
Linda Peterson
Alice Trapp

2017

Francina Arsenault
Stephanie Bloch
Stuart Bloch
A.J. Gray
Kenneth Kline
Doris Medick
Ireta Tebay
Margaret Tebay
Dick Wyatt

2018

Virginia Bailes
Charlie Hare

2019

Frank Bush
Priscilla Butler
Sally Ezell

INVITATION to the OFFERING

Give now with generous hearts that all people may hear God's Word and be helped by the work of this church.

The OFFERTORY

Will the Circle Be Unbroken?

Incorporating *Sweet By and By*

Arranged by Mark Hayes

Words by Ada Habershon; Music by Charles H. Gabriel

⌘ DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow, GtG 606

⌘ PRAYER of DEDICATION

Eternal God, who brings joy out of sorrow, plenty out of want, life out of death: we thank you for the treasures of the earth, your creation, filled with your blessing, for it was in company with these earthly things that your Son came to dwell, showing us the enormity of your love. Because of Jesus' resurrection from the dead, we, too, are brought to new life, called to pray and work for the renewal of others. Take these offerings for the sake of the one without whom our poverty would be extreme, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *(congregation may be seated)*

The SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Leader: This is the joyful feast of the people of God! People will come from north and south and from east and west to sit at table in the kingdom of God. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. This is the Lord's Table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast that he has prepared.

Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Praise to you, O God, for all your works. You created the world and called it good and made us in your image to live together in love. You made a covenant with us, and even when we turned from you, you remained ever faithful. Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise:

Sung Response All: *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. **GtG 552**

Words of Institution

Leader: We give you thanks that the Lord Jesus on the night before he died, took bread, and after giving thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. In the same way Jesus took the cup, saying: This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you and for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:

Sung Response All:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. **GtG 553**

Leader: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Sung Response All: *Amen. Amen. Amen.* **GtG 554**

SUNG 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!

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of Cup

Leader: Jesus said: I am the bread of life. Jesus said: I am the vine, you are the branches. Come to me and never be hungry; believe in me and never thirst. The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Communion of the People

Gluten-free elements are available upon request.

Panis Angelicus and Hallelujah

STRING QUARTET

Prayer after Communion

Leader: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Taking God’s Word out, into our Worlds

⌘ CLOSING HYMN

Lift High the Cross, GtG 826

⌘ BENEDICTION

⌘ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

VANCE CHOIR

⌘ POSTLUDE

⌘ Please stand if able.

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