

VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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15th Sunday After Pentecost
September 22, 2019 ▪ 10:00 a.m.



Lectionary Selections of Scripture for this Sunday:

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 ~ Psalm 79:1-9

Luke 16:1-13 ~ 1 Timothy 2:1-7

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

CHIMES

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

God's Peace

Choral Setting by C. J. Adams

"Come Away from Rush and Hurry"

Hymn Tune: BEACH SPRING

Attributed to B. F. White; Words by Marva J. Dawn

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace;
from our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ and find release.
Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace;
come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's grace.

In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our soul.
From the waters of God's mercy we drink deeply, are made whole.
At the table of God's presence all the saints are richly fed.
With the oil of God's anointing into service we are led.

Come, then, children, with your burdens, life's confusions, fears and pain.
Leave them at the cross of Jesus, take instead his kingdom's reign.
Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them, he alone will satisfy.
All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die.

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace.

CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: Help us, O God of our salvation,

People: **for the glory of your name;**

Leader: deliver us and forgive our sins,

People: **for your name's sake.**

OPENING PRAYER

You hear the cries of your people for justice and mercy; you answer our prayers with the gift of your Son, who bears our burdens and sets us free. Speak your truth to us; purge and refine us; that we may love and serve you alone. Amen.

⌘OPENING HYMN of PRAISE

We Give Thee but Thine Own, GtG 708

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

Leader: If we say that we have not sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sin, God who is faithful, washes us clean. With one heart and voice, let us pray.

All: Creator of the universe, casualty of our sin, breath of life, we come trembling before you for we have hoarded and bartered what has never been ours in the hope of securing our future. We have yearned for wealth more than we have yearned for you. We have squandered your trust and grieved your heart with our betrayal. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and forgive our sins, for your name's sake.

SILENT PRAYER of CONFESSION

SUNG RESPONSE

Refrain, **GtG 792**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Beloved of God, the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. It cannot be contained, but must be poured out. Nothing you have done, nothing you will ever do is enough to separate you from the love of God made known in Jesus Christ. I declare in the name of the risen Christ that our sin is forgiven, and our lives are made new.

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 of ILLUMINATION

There Is a Balm in Gilead, GtG 792

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Miss Jane

Preschool children are now excused to the Church Nursery

The ANTHEM

Shout to the Lord

Choral Setting by Jack Schrader

Words and Music by Darlene Zschech

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like You.
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter; tower of refuge and strength:
let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord! All the Earth let us sing,
power and majesty, praise to the King!
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name!
I sing for joy at the work of your hands;
forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

The SCRIPTURE

HEBREW TESTAMENT READING:

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

NEWER TESTAMENT READING:

Luke 16:1-13

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

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Erica L. Harley

Responding to God's Word

⌘ SONG of AFFIRMATION

Take My Life, GtG 697

INVITATION to the OFFERING *(congregation may be seated)*

God longs for us to bring everything that we are, everything that we have, to this relationship; God loves us that much. May the offerings we bring this day be tokens of our reciprocal desire.

The OFFERTORY

Refuge... Music by Keith Christopher

Words based on Psalm 46:1-2 and Isaiah 43:2-3

I am your refuge, I am your strength.
I am your helper in time of trouble;
so do not fear, no, do not fear
for I am your God.

And when you pass through the waters, I will be with you.
And when you cross o'er the river, I will be your guide.
And when you walk through the fire, you'll not be burned,
for I am your God.

You are my refuge, you are my strength.
You are my helper in time of trouble;
I will not fear, I will not fear for you are my God.

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

⌘ PRAYER of DEDICATION

Gracious God, source of our daily bread and Sabbath trust, you feed us with your love and equip us to share in your purpose. Receive the offerings of our wounded spirits, our guarded purses, our meager strength, and continue to expand our hearts, until we live with the boldness and joy of Easter morning; for we pray in the name of your son, Jesus, and by the power of your Holy Spirit. 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

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me, GtG 700

⌘ BENEDICTION

⌘ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

VANCE CHOIR

⌘ POSTLUDE

⌘ Please stand if able.

GtG=Glory to God Hymnal

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SESSION		
2019	2020	2021
Beth Ann Dague	John Hargleroad	Karen DiOrio
Ted Owens	Rowena Baker	Michelle John
Geri Sloane	Jill Flanagan	Bob Kanters
Scott Winters	Bettie Steele	Drew Seabright
DEACONS		
2019	2020	2021
Ann Bopp	Diane Crowl	Kathy Hannan
Marjorie Easton	Russ Green	Tom John
Carol Myers	Janet Hart	Mark Kenamond
Karen Seabright	Joelle Oliver	Joanne Winters

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	John Hargleroad, Ted Owens, Drew Seabright and Scott Winters
Christian Education	Jill Flanagan, Drew Seabright, and Bettie Steele
Evangelism, Fellowship, & Membership	John Hargleroad, Michelle John, and Bob Kanters
Mission Outreach & Community Service	Rowena Baker, Beth Ann Dague and Karen DiOrio
Worship & Music	Bob Kanters, Geri Sloane, and Bettie Steele
COMMITTEES	ELDER MEMBERS
Nominating	Geri Sloane & Scott Winters
Personnel	Beth Ann Dague
Stewardship, Finance & Memorial	Michelle John and Scott Winters
DEACON LEADER IN CURRENT MONTH: Joelle Oliver	
OFFICERS	
Clerk of Session	Julie Squibb
Church Treasurer	Paul Limbert

Keeping in Touch

Please remember the following members who are in need of special care. They are all going through unique journeys and need your prayers, cards/calls, and visits.

If you would like to inquire about a specific person's needs, please contact an Elder, Deacon or the Pastor.

If *any* information listed is incorrect, or you would like to add someone, please notify the church office *immediately*.

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