

# VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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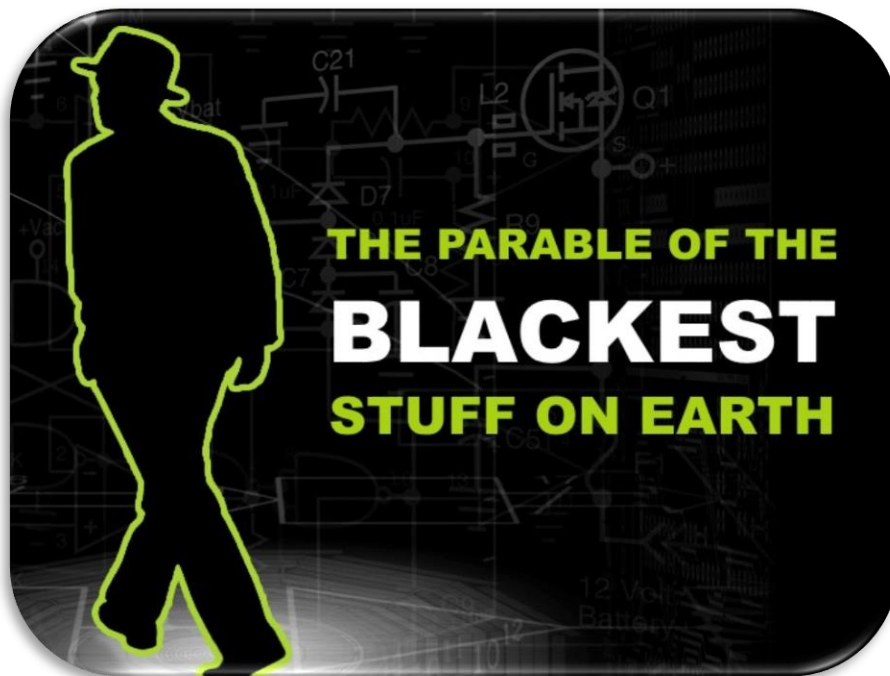
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## Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Pentecost [June 4] to Reign of Christ [November 26]

*Matthew's Experience of Jesus*

October 08, 2017 • 10:00 a.m.



### **Lectionary Selections of Scripture this Sunday:**

Exodus 20:1-4, 12-20 ~ Psalm 19

Philippians 3:4b-14 ~ **Matthew 21:33-46**

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

*Jesus Calls Us*, CH 592

CHIMES

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**PREPARATION for WORSHIP**

*The Wonderful Cross...* Arranged by Camp Kirkland

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross

Bids me come and die, and find that I may truly live.

O the wonderful cross, O the wonderful cross,

All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

 **OPENING PRAYER**                      unison                      ~from Psalm 19:1-6

Creator God, the heavens radiate your glory!

You have set a tent for the sun,

which comes out like a joyful bridegroom

from his wedding canopy.

May we emerge from night's waiting with

such rampant joy,

that we too radiate your glory throughout this day.

In the name of the Son of righteousness

who has risen with healing in his wings. Amen!

 **CALL to WORSHIP**                      responsively                      ~from Psalm 19

The heavens declare the glory of God.

The skies proclaim the work of God's hands.

**Day after day they pour forth speech.**

**Night after night they display knowledge.**

Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,

their words to the ends of the world!

**The commands of the Lord are radiant,**

**giving light to the eyes.**

The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever.

**May these words of my mouth**

**and the meditations of my heart be pleasing in Your sight,**

**O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.**

 **OPENING HYMN of PRAISE**

*Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*, PH 417, vv. 1,2,4



<sup>33</sup>“Listen to another parable.

There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country.

<sup>34</sup> When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. <sup>35</sup> But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup> Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. <sup>37</sup> Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’

<sup>38</sup> But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ <sup>39</sup> So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

<sup>40</sup> Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”

<sup>41</sup> They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

<sup>42</sup> Jesus said to them,

“Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;  
this was the Lord’s doing,  
and it is amazing in our eyes’?

<sup>43</sup> Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. <sup>44</sup> The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

<sup>45</sup> When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup> They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

*This is the Gospel of Jesus Messiah.*

***Thank you, Lord Jesus!***

## MORNING MESSAGE

*A Parable of the Blackest Black*

Rev. John Oerter

## **Responding to God's Word**

**CALL and DEDICATION PRAYER**      unison      ~from Psalm 19:4-6

As the bride offers all that she is and all that she has to her bridegroom, so we offer ourselves to you, our heavenly bridegroom. May these offerings increase our joy and reflect your glory. Amen.

**OFFERTORY HYMN in Response to today's MESSAGE**

*Rock of Ages, CH 342*

 **DOXOLOGY**

 **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**

*The Church's One Foundation, PH 442 vv.1,3,4*

 **BENEDICTION**

 **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

 **POSTLUDE**

 Please stand if able.

**PH=Presbyterian Hymnal (Blue); CH=Celebration Hymnal (Red)**

**GTG=Glory to God (screen or insert)**

**10:00 a.m. Service of Worship regularly  
broadcast over WKWK-FM 97.3**

\* The Lectionary Gospel selections follow Matthew's Gospel for several Sundays,  
and, so, I will be doing a series on Matthew.  
Please feel free to read Matthew over the next several weeks,  
as part of your preparation for Sunday Worship.  
Stay tuned! Pastor John

**Lectionary Texts for Next Sunday's Service:**

**Davis and Elkins College Choir and President Chris Wood**

**19th Sunday after Pentecost**

**October 15, 2017 @ 10:00 a.m.**

Hebrews 11:29-38; 12:1-3

**Prayers for use beyond our walls:**

**Morning Prayer**

Faithful God,  
you remain when others forsake.  
When I am tempted to abandon myself today,  
help me to stay present to this moment,  
that I may know and do your will.  
Through the Creator who enfolds me,  
Christ who defends me,  
and the Spirit who never abandons me. Amen.

**Evening Prayer**

Lord,  
in my accomplishments this day, make me humble;  
for my failures, give me consolation.  
In your steadfast love, uphold me,  
and for my sins, forgive me,  
that I may know your mercy  
and walk in the way of your salvation. Amen.

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Caleb & Claire (Seabright) Bermudez

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# 2017 CHURCH DIRECTORY

<b>Clerk of Session</b> .....	Julie Squibb
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<b>Chairperson of Building and Property Commission</b> .....	Ted Owens
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<b>Chairperson of Worship &amp; Music Commission</b> .....	Howard Monroe
<b>Chairperson of Missions Commission</b> .....	Carol Obermann
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<b>Chairperson of Finance Committee</b> .....	Jeremy McCamic
<b>Chairperson of Nominating Committee</b> .....	Scott Winters
<b>Chairperson of Stewardship Committee</b> .....	Jay Frey
<b>Chairperson of Strategic Planning Committee</b> .....	Jay Frey, Phil Polack
<b>Moderator of Presbyterian Women</b> .....	Virginia Dulany

## SESSION

2017	2018	2019
Jill Flanagan	Jay Frey	Beth Ann Dague
Jeremy McCamic	Howard Monroe	Ted Owen
Phil Polack	Carol Obermann	Geri Sloane
Bettie Steele	<i>vacancy</i>	Scott Winters

## DEACONS

2017	2018	2019
Diane Crowl	Kathy Hannan	Ann Bopp
Russ Green	Michael Hires	Marjorie Easton
Janet Hart	Louise Limbert	Carol Myers
Amy Mead	Joanne Winters	Karen Seabright

## Congregational Nominating Committee for 2017

Elder Scott Winters (chair), Elder Geri Sloane, Deacon Michael Hires, Penny Kenamond, Jeanne Finstein and Danna Tyska

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