

# **VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**COMMUNION ~ MEMORIAL SUNDAY**  
June 06, 2021 ▪ 10:00 a.m.



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

1 Samuel 8:4-20 ~ Psalm 138

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 ~ Mark 3:20-35

Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
is a welcoming, active, community-oriented,  
theologically Reformed congregation where  
all people are celebrated and valued  
as we worship the Triune God, engage in mission,  
and serve our community and beyond.

## Centering Prayer

*Once, dear God, we could hear you walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze. Now, you call across the distance, "Where are you?" And we echo back the same question, "Where are you?" You wait and watch for us; we wait and watch for you. Help us to see beyond the temporary to the eternal so that we do not lose heart. Through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, help us to trust that our frailty is received into your hospitable house in the heavens. Renew us day by day until we come again into your presence, where the weight of your glory lifts us in grace and light. In Christ, we pray. Amen.*

## **Gathering around God's Word**

PRELUDE

CHIMES

### GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

### CALL to WORSHIP

**Liturgist:** With God, there is: Forgiveness.

**All: Steadfast love.**

**Liturgist:** Great power to redeem.

**All: We wait for the Lord, who is our hope.**

**Liturgist:** Through the long night,

**All: We watch for God more passionately than for the sun's first light!**

### OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires, known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thought of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

⌘OPENING HYMN of PRAISE

*Here in This Place, GtG 401*

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

If God kept track of sins, who would stand a chance? But with God, there is forgiveness. May God hear our request for mercy.

**Merciful God, we try to hide from your presence, knowing that we have traded your abundant life for a wasteland of sin. We have not followed your will, but instead heed other voices and pursue our own desires at the expense of others. We are so misguided that we cannot discern good from evil, making the wrong choice, choosing the wrong side. We ask for the courage to tell you truthfully what we have done. We pray for forgiveness so that we can live with ourselves, with others, and with you. You alone can restore us. In steadfast love, look upon us and reclothe us in your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

## SILENT PRAYER of CONFESSION

### SUNG RESPONSE

*Lord, Have Mercy, GtG 551*

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

**Liturgist:** Brothers and sisters, do not lose heart. We are being renewed day by day through the grace of Christ extended to us.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, 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

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God. Please greet your neighbor in love.

## **Encountering God's Word**

### ⌘ SONG of ILLUMINATION

*We Are One in the Spirit, GtG 300*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### The ANTHEM

*Some of These Mornin's*

TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL arranged by Mark Hayes

Gonna see my mother some of these mornin's, hope I'll join the band.

Look away in the heaven, Lord, hope I'll join the band.

Sittin' in the kingdom some of these mornin's, hope I'll join the band.

Gonna see my brother some of these mornin's, hope I'll join the band.

Look away in the heaven, Lord, hope I'll join the band.

Oh, shoutin' in the heaven come of these mornin's, hope I'll join the band.

Gonna walk about in Zion some of these mornin's, hope I'll join the band.

Look away in the heaven, Lord, hope I'll join the heavenly band.

#### The SCRIPTURE

GOSPEL READING:

Mark 3:20-35

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

### MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Erica L. Harley

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

# The SERVICE of REMEMBRANCE

## 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  
Deborah Frame Zinn

## 2014

Michael Cox

Kathleen Hannig  
John Medick  
John Morrison  
Nancy Paul  
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  
Mary Hudnall  
Jay Parmar  
Edna May Barger  
Jesse McHenry  
Peggy Bates

## 2020

William Maxwell  
Wileta Bell  
Martha Kelley  
Jane McCamic

## 2021

Thomas Monroe  
Ned George  
Donald Hendrickson

## ⌘ SONG of AFFIRMATION

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above, GtG 645, vv. 1 & 3*

## ⌘ INVITATION to the OFFERING

**Leader:** Who are Christ's brothers and sisters? Those who do the will of God. Loving God, loving neighbor, we share what we have as members of the household of Christ. *(congregation may be seated)*

## The OFFERTORY

*They Shall Soar Like Eagles*

Words and Music by Laura Manzo

Based on Isaiah 40:29-31

They shall soar like eagles; rise up and soar like eagles.

They who wait upon the Lord shall not be weary.

They shall never stumble, but gain new strength and power.

They who wait upon the Lord.

Those who are weary and burdened with sorrow

need not despair there is hope for tomorrow.

God will be there each time you call on Him.

## ⌘ 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

**In the spirit of faith, Great God, we thank you for the opportunity to give tithes and offerings, to participate in extending your grace to more and more people, and to give all glory to you. 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:

**All sing GtG 552.** 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.  
Hosanna in the highest.

### 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:

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

**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.

**All sing GtG 554:** Amen. Amen. Amen.

*Please join in singing* **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!

**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.**

### Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of Cup

#### Communion of the People

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

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# AdVance Announcements

- *Welcome to Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church, a traditional church with Spirit, serving the greater Wheeling Community and beyond!* We welcome our radio congregation listening to our live worship on 97.3 WKWK-FM. Radio listeners can go to [vancechurch.org](http://vancechurch.org), select the "News" tab and choose "Bulletin" to follow along with a PDF of the worship service. If you ever need prayer or would like home communion, please contact the church office at 1-304-232-0980
- If you are visiting with us today, please fill out the friendship pad in the pew rack so that we may obtain your contact information. Members need not fill out the friendship pads until the pandemic precautions have passed.
- Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. Inquire with an usher and they will assist you.
- Masks, glove, and hand sanitizer is available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.
- Attendance in worship last Sunday was 64; Giving for the month of May was \$53,575.
- We thank Julie Squibb for serving as worship liturgist.
- This Summer, during ordinary time in the liturgical calendar the sermon will be based on the Gospel story and the children's sermon will be based on the Hebrew Bible story. This is because as Presbyterians we believe that both the Old Testament and New Testament scriptures are by the Holy Spirit "The unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the church universal, and God's Word [to us]." *Directory for Worship, W-4.0404b*
- Save the Date for outdoor worship and our fully catered Church Picnic! Sunday, June 13, 2021 at Hess Shelter in Oglebay Park. Worship at 11am and lunch at NOON.