

VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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9th Sunday after Pentecost

July 25, 2021 ▪ 10:00 a.m.



Lectionary Selections of Scripture for this Sunday:

2 Samuel 11:1-15~ Psalm 14

John 6:1-21 ~ Ephesians 3:14-21

**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.**

Gathering around God's Word

HYMN PRELUDE

Here in This Place, GtG 401
Gather Us In

CHIMES

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

Give Me Jesus

TRADITIONAL SPIRITUAL arranged by Larry Shackley

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus.
And when I am alone, give me Jesus.
You can have all this world, but give me Jesus.

And when I come to die, give me Jesus.
And when the trumpet sounds, give me Jesus.
You can have all this world, but give me Jesus.

CALL to WORSHIP

Liturgist: God created

All: all things visible and invisible; none other.

Liturgist: God provides

All: food for your stomach and spirit; none other.

Liturgist: God is able to accomplish abundantly

All: far more than all we can ask or imagine.

Liturgist: Let us worship the Trinity and none other.

OPENING PRAYER

Triune God, shepherd of your people Israel, you provide for us far more than we expect or imagine possible. Calm our fears; speak peace to us; lead us beyond ourselves. Gather us with all the saints in the church to glorify you for your mighty deeds. We pray in the strong name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

⌘OPENING HYMN of PRAISE

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly, GtG 509

Encountering God's Word

⌘PSALM READING RESPONSIVELY: Psalm 14

Liturgist: ¹ Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God."
They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds;
there is no one who does good.

All: ²**The LORD looks down from heaven on humankind
to see if there are any who are wise,
who seek after God.**

Liturgist: ³They have all gone astray, they are all alike perverse;
there is no one who does good,
no, not one.

All: ⁴**Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers
who eat up my people as they eat bread,
and do not call upon the LORD?**

Liturgist: ⁵There they shall be in great terror,
for God is with the company of the righteous.

All: ⁶**You would confound the plans of the poor,
but the LORD is their refuge.**

Liturgist: ⁷O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion!
When the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

⌘ SONG of ILLUMINATION

Jesus Loves Me!, **GtG 188**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

The ANTHEM

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Words and Music by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman

Arranged by Heather Sorenson

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
it's time to sing Your song again.

Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the ev'ning comes.

REFRAIN:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger;
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *REFRAIN...*

And on that day when my strength is failing;
the end draws near, and my time has come;
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
ten thousand years, and then forevermore! *REFRAIN...*

The SCRIPTURE

GOSPEL READING:

John 6:1-21

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

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Erica L. Harley

Responding to God's Word

⌘ SONG of AFFIRMATION

I Will Come to You, GtG 177

You Are Mine

⌘ INVITATION to the OFFERING

Leader: As God provides seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so has God provided enough for us to share as we give thanks and praise through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Let us present tithes and offerings. *(congregation may be seated)*

The OFFERTORY

What Wondrous Love Is This

Appalachian Folk Hymn: WONDROUS LOVE

Southern Harmony, 1835

Arranged by Brian L. Hanson

Please refer to GtG 215.

⌘ 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

O God, creator of rain and sun and soil, ruler of nations, thank you for the abundance of the earth. We know there is enough food to feed everyone alive today; we are grateful that there are cures for the most common diseases; we praise you for the witness of Jesus Christ, who showed no lust for power or riches. Fill the world with the Spirit of Christ so that food, medicine, and peace flow as freely as the river of life from the throne of the Lamb. Bless our offerings so that we can follow where Christ leads, freeing the wealth of the nations for the service of the kingdom. We pray in Jesus' 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 *Holy God, We Praise Your Name, GtG 4*

⌘ BENEDICTION

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⌘ POSTLUDE

⌘ Please stand if able.

GtG=Glory to God Hymnal

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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, 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.
- Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. Inquire with an usher and they will assist you.
- We thank Jeanne Finstein for serving as worship liturgist.
- Attendance in worship last Sunday was 68; Giving for the month of June was \$11,760.
- Erica will not be in the office this coming week, however she is available by cell phone and is taking calls.
- 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*
- **THANK YOU** to all who donated antiques and collectible items to the online auction to benefit the Woodsdale School Projects of Vance Church. We will announce a final total of the proceeds after the auctioneers finish the paperwork, but we can report that we have funded our weekend food program for coming school year! We appreciate all your support for this fundraiser because it allows Vance Church to be the hands and feet of Christ to our neighbors!
- Notice the handbell tables are up and ready for rehearsal! Thanks to the choir members who did the job and had great fun learning to play. They've been joined by Ella and Chase and Bobby and we look forward to more of you ringing too. Plans are to prepare a piece for the September 12th Worship Celebration with Wednesday evening rehearsals through the remainder of Summer. At least twelve players are needed and there are teachers to help you learn. ☺ If you are interested in joining the group please contact Debbie Breiding.