

# *Connect. Inspire. Serve.*

## **Welcome to Worship at Memorial Presbyterian Church!**

We are delighted you have chosen to worship at Memorial Presbyterian Church. Our hope is that every person who enters Memorial will *CONNECT* with God and the community of faith, be *INSPIRED* to a life of discipleship and spiritual growth, and discover ways to *SERVE* our neighbors near and far.

Please join us for coffee and conversation immediately following the worship service today.

***Friendship Pad:*** We ask that all worshipers sign the Ritual of Friendship pad, located on the center aisle side of the pew. Sign your name, address and phone number, and pass it along the pew and then back again so that we can get to know each other and greet each other by name.

***Accessibility at MPC:*** The sanctuary is equipped with a Hearing Loop system that allows people to receive the sound from the church's audio system in their own hearing aids. Large-size bulletins and hymnals are also available from the ushers. Please contact an usher if you have any questions on accessibility issues.

***Children of all ages*** are welcome in the worship service. The Nursery is open and unstaffed during the summer months. Children should not be left unsupervised. In addition, a Children's Table is located by the entry if you wish to take your child from the sanctuary, yet be able to hear and see the service.

***Coloring Posters*** are found at the front of the sanctuary. We recognize that we all learn and worship in different ways. Coloring posters are a way for worshippers of all ages to engage in worship, share their gifts, and add color and beauty to our space.

***Communion:*** The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) has an Open Table. All who hold Jesus as their Lord and Savior are invited to the table. Children may take communion with parent's consent. Communion is served on the first Sunday of every month, and at other designated services.

*Please feel free to contact the church office at (920) 734-1787 or  
info@mpcappleton.org with any questions you may have.*

# Order of Worship

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

Ten O'clock A.M.

June 23, 2019

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✦ *Those who are able are invited to stand.*

### Gathering Around the Word

#### THOUGHT FOR REFLECTION

“what we celebrate in the saints is not their piety or perfection but the fact that we believe in a God who gets redemptive and holy things done in the world through, of all things, human beings, all of whom are flawed.”

*Accidental Saints; Finding God in All the Wrong People*  
By Nadia Bolz-Weber

PRELUDE      Sontatine I

W.A. Mozart

*As the prelude begins, please take a moment of silence  
to prepare for worship.*

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION

*Warming Shelter*  
*Fred Umland*

#### ✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Tom Boldt

One: What do you do, when God calls?

**All: Wake up. Listen. Act.**

One: What do you do when God asks you to do something difficult?

**All: Wake up. Listen. Act.**

One: What do you do when God asks you to do something impossible?

**All: Wake up. Listen. Act. Because, with God, nothing is impossible.**

One: Even changing ourselves?

**All: Even changing the world. Wake up. Listen. Act.**

One: Let us worship our God

✦ HYMN #157 I Danced in the Morning

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of grace, in the days when your word was rarely heard and when visions were scarce, you broke into Samuel's life and called his name...and he said "Here I am, speak, for your servant is listening." We confess that often so many voices clamor for our attention that your word is again hard to hear. Forgive us if you have called us to be prophetic witnesses or to use our gifts to serve you, and we have not heard, or have been unwilling to respond. Merciful God, take from us all that hinders our hearing your voice and fill us anew with the Holy Spirit that we may joyfully respond to Jesus' call on our lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen**

*A time for silent confession*

✦ ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Sisters and brothers, hear the good news... that even if we at first do not hear the divine word addressed to us, God calls again and again. When our words and actions separate us from God, the Apostle Paul assures us that Jesus was prepared to pay the price to restore us to God. Paul writes: "You were bought with a price; therefore glorify God..."

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God we are made whole.**

✦ PASSING THE PEACE

One: Beloved, let us share the peace that comes with the assurance of forgiveness. The peace of Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Share the peace of Christ with one another.

✦ RESPONSE #582 Glory to God,  
Whose Goodness Shines on Me

## Proclaiming the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

1 Samuel 3:1-10 (Old Testament, page 247)  
Matthew 22:34-40 (New Testament page 25)

One: We proclaim Christ crucified—the wisdom and power of God.

**All: Thanks be to God, who calls us to CONNECT, INSPIRE, and SERVE!**

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Mr. Greg

*Children are invited to bring their offerings forward and put them in the “Joyful Noise Bucket”*

Andante

James Chaudoir

Robin Milford

SERMON *Who, Me? Commissioned Pastor Greg Braatz*

### Responding to the Word

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH                      The Confession of 1967  
**God has created the people of the earth to be one universal family. In God’s reconciling love, God overcomes the barriers between brothers and sisters and breaks down every form of discrimination based on racial or ethnic difference, real or imaginary. The church is called to bring all men and women to receive and uphold one another as persons in all relationships of life: in employment, housing, education, leisure, marriage, family, church and the exercise of political rights.**

Reconciliation in Society      The Confession of 1967 9.43a

✦ HYMN #69 Here I Am Lord

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

*Special Giving Opportunities Today:*

*Those who contribute through e-giving or online donations are encouraged to take an "I Give Electronically" card and place it in the offering plate.*

*Give securely online through MPC's website on your smartphone by going to [www.mpcappleton.org](http://www.mpcappleton.org) and selecting the "Donations" tab or by using the QR code at the end of the bulletin.*

OFFERTORY March

George Bingham

## ✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**We are grateful that no gift is insignificant in your sight, O God. We humbly offer ourselves in your service with these gifts and offerings. Do extraordinary things through them, for the relief of others' need, and the fulfillment of your divine intent. Amen.**

**Bearing and Following the Word Into the World**

✦ HYMN #62 Love the Lord Your God (2 times)

## ✦ CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Halleluja!

J. Kapi-Kralik

*During the postlude please REMAIN STANDING, CONVERSE, and GO OUT WITH JOY!  
Everyone is invited to share a time of fellowship in the narthex.*

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*This morning's chancel flowers are given in memory of the life of  
Liz Guttenberg by her family, Kerry & Emily Guttenberg and  
Tom & Kiera Guttenberg.*

**Today's Sunday Morning Volunteers**

**Greeters:** L'Esperance Family and Youth Fellowship

**Head Usher:** John Hill

**Ushers:** Betty & Steve Lockhart, Bev Hill and Mary Peterson

**Reader:** Tom Boldt

**Coffee Servers:** Jeanne & Pete Ryerson

**Counters:** Beth Lepinski and Gayle Hardt

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# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## Who We Are and What We Believe :

Grounded in the grace of God and the Reformed Tradition, we believe in:

*Nurturing one another on the journey of faith.*

*Compassion for all.*

*Active engagement in the local and global community.*

*Openness to the Spirit's inspiration.*

## Our Mission Statement :

***Connect. Inspire. Serve.***

*Connect* people in faith, hope and love.

*Inspire* lifelong discipleship and spiritual growth.

*Serve* our neighbors near and far.

as adopted by the Congregation  
on February 12, 2017

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