

***Affirmation of Faith**

A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

***Hymn 726**

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

***The Charge**

Mark 12:28-31

Which commandment is the first of all?


**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,
and with all your soul, and with all your mind,
and with all your strength.**

And the second is this:

**You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
There is no other commandment greater than these.**

***Blessing**

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

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**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OCTOBER 21, 2018, 10:00 A.M.**

Morning Meditation

Mark 10:43

“Whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant.”

Chimes of the Trinity

Ritual of Fellowship

Voluntary

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” (GTG 415)

RESTORATION
arr. John Carter

***Call to Worship**

from Psalm 104

Bless the LORD, O my soul.

**O LORD my God, you are very great,
clothed with honor and majesty,
wrapped in light as with a garment.**

You stretch out the heavens like a tent,

you ride on the wings of the wind.

You make the winds your messengers,

**you set the earth on its foundations,
so that it shall never be shaken.**

O LORD, how manifold are your works!

**In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.**

Bless the LORD, O my soul.

Praise the LORD!

***Hymn 620**

“Praise My Soul the King of Heaven”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Lord Jesus Christ, you know our sin.
We want you to do whatever we ask of you,
but are unwilling to do what you ask of us.
We want to sit beside you in your glory,
but we fail to stand beside you in your suffering.
We want to be first in your great kingdom,
but often we are among the last to serve the least.
Forgive our hubris, gracious God,
and help us to know your glory through servanthood.
Pour out your mercy upon us, we pray,
and wash us clean in your saving grace.
All this we ask in your holy name. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Kyrie Eleison 437

“You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!”

You are the Lord, giver of mercy.
You are the Christ, giver of mercy.
You are the Lord, giver of mercy.

Assurance of Pardon

Response 587

“Alleluia”

Stewardship Reflection: Joy

Betsy Kirschner

Prayer for Illumination

Reading from the Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

The Sermon

“Be Somebody”

Mark Achtemeier

***Hymn 666**

“O Splendor of God’s Glory Bright”

Prayers of the People

The 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.

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”

trad. Spiritual
arr. John Carter

***Doxology 607**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ all people here below,
Praise Holy Spirit, evermore,
Praise Triune God Whom we adore. Amen!

***Prayer of Dedication**