Prayer After Communion

We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament,
You have given us your Son, who is the true bread from heaven
and food of eternal life. So strengthen us in your service
that our daily living may show our thanks;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn 733

"We All Are One in Mission"

*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.

*Sung Benediction 541 (1, 2) "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you; with a shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again. God be with you till we meet again; unseen wings protecting hide you; daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again.

*Blessing

*The congregation is invited to stand.

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MONTREAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 4, 2018, 10:00 A.M.

Morning Meditation

Johanna W.H. Bos (1986)

Redemption, in whatever sphere of life, points to the responsibility people have to one another, especially the responsibility of the strong and powerful for the weak and unprotected."

Chimes of the Trinity and Ritual of Fellowship

Voluntary

"I Am the Bread of Life"

Suzanne Toolan

arr. John Carter

Psalm 146

*Call to Worship

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the LORD their God,

who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

*Hymn 463

"How Firm a Foundation"

Nickel-a-Meal Offerings may be brought forward during the singing of the hymn.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, you have been faithful,
yet we have not loved you with our whole hearts.
You showed us how to love our fellow human beings,
yet we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Turn us back to you, O God,
that we may follow your commandments;

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Kyrie Eleison 579

"Lord, Have Mercy"

Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon

Response 447

"We Are Forgiven"

Reading from the Old Testament

Ruth 1:1-18

Hymn 735

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

Sermon

"Ruth Held On"

Keith Grogg

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Jeanne Simpson

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

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

Jamaican Folk Tune 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

*Hymn 525

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

The Communion of the People

The bread is gluten-free. The cup contains unfermented grape juice.