

# ◆ MELROSE UNITED CHURCH ◆

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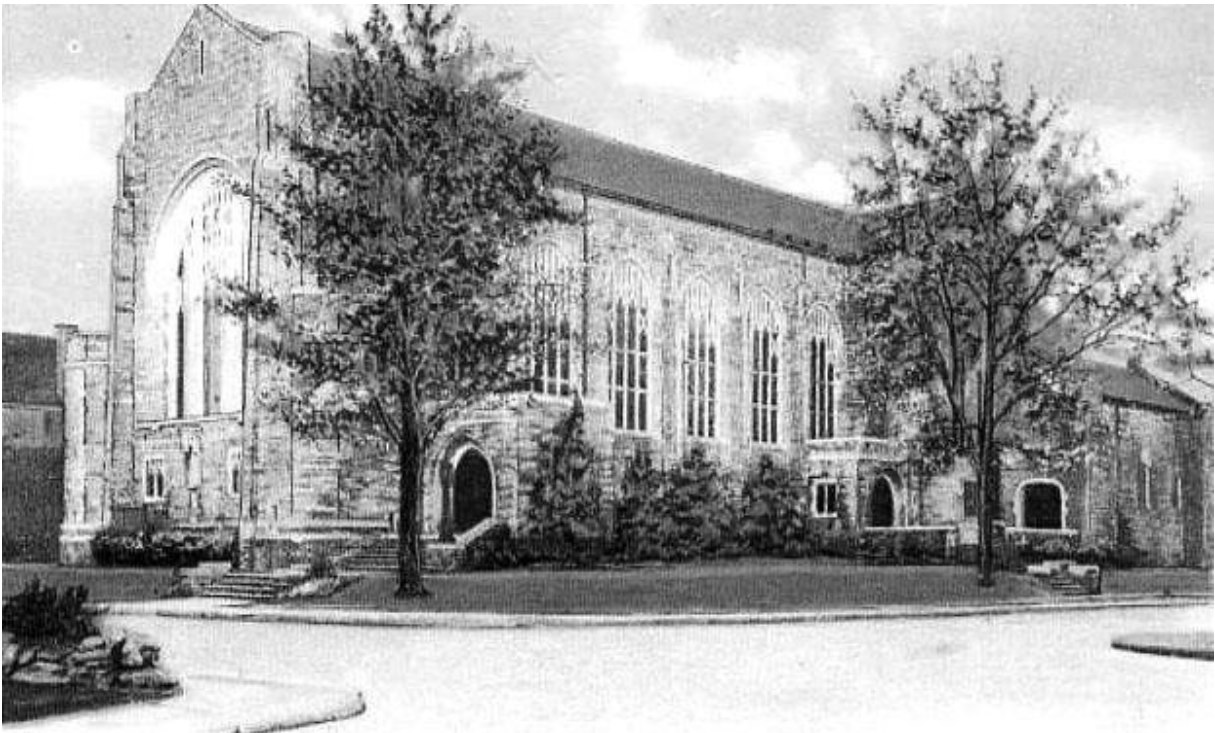
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◆ Summer Worship 2017 ◆  
10:30 a.m.

**MELROSE UNITED CHURCH**  
◆ 2017 SUMMER WORSHIP ◆

\* indicates a time to stand, if you are able  
congregational responses are in **boldface type**

◆ All are welcome for lemonade and  
fellowship on the patio after worship ◆

→  indicates content located on weekly insert

◆ **GATHERING** ◆

PRELUDE

\* OPENING HYMN → 

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

One: The light of Christ has overcome the darkness.

**All: Let all creation sing with joy!**

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: People of God, come with a spirit of joy!

**All: We come to worship God  
with hearts and hands and voices.**

One: People of God, come with a spirit open to mystery!

**All: We come to worship God  
trembling, filled with awe and wonder.**

One: People of God, come with humility and simplicity!

**All: We come to worship God deeply aware that we long to be more.  
Let us worship God, be filled with God,  
be changed by God. Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER

WELCOME AND LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

◆ SERVICE OF THE WORD ◆

\* HYMN → 

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

One: Draw us close, Holy Spirit,  
as the Scriptures are read and the Word is proclaimed.  
Let the word of faith be on our lips and in our hearts,  
and let all other words slip away.  
May there be one voice we hear today –  
the voice of truth and grace. Amen.

PSALM → 

SCRIPTURE → 

One: Herein is wisdom.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL → 

One: Herein is good news.  
**All: Praise be to God.**

\* HYMN → 

SERMON

MUSICAL REFLECTION

◆ RESPONSE ◆

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING

OFFERING

\* OFFERTORY HYMN – *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*  
*praise god, all creatures high and low;*  
*give thanks to God in love made known.*  
*Creator, Word and spirit, One.*

VU 541

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (said together)

**We rejoice with thanksgiving for all we have received.  
Multiply these gifts that we give,  
so that the world may more deeply know  
fullness of life in you. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN

(concluding with the Prayer of Jesus, VU 921, Ecumenical Version)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen**

\* CLOSING HYMN → 

\* COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING

\* CHORAL RESPONSE – *Peace Be with You*

MV 215

*Peace be with you, peace forever,  
peace be with you my friends.  
Till we meet again, may God be with you.  
Peace, peace, peace.*

POSTLUDE

*This is a generic order of service for Summer 2017.  
The bulletin may be left on the chairs for subsequent use.*

*The insert with content and announcements may be taken with you.*