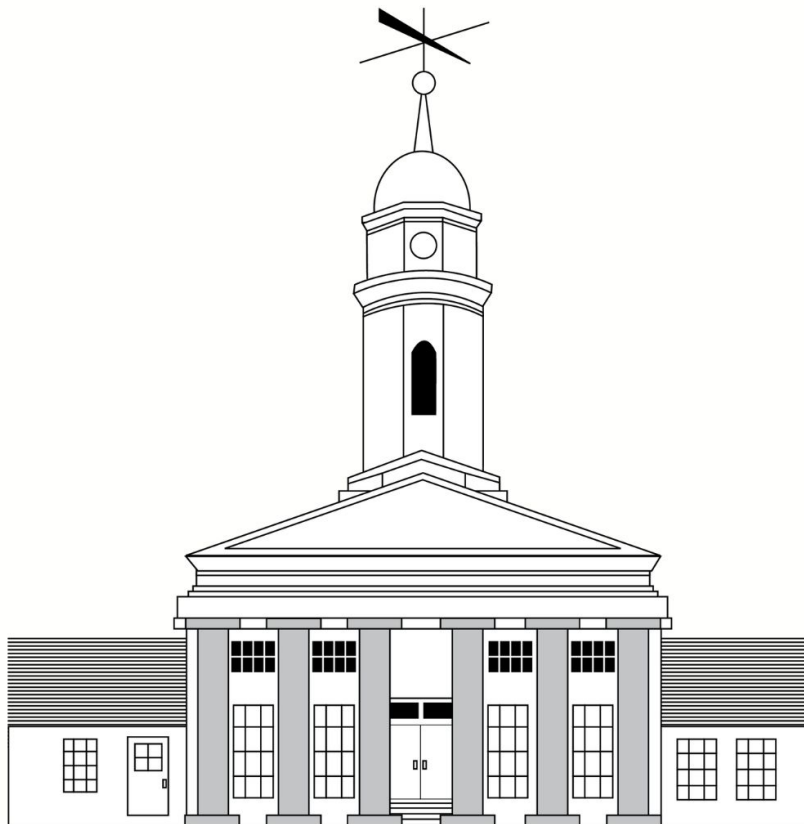


Media Presbyterian Church



“A Grace-Full Life”

Worship. Grow. Serve.

Together

Sunday, November 24th, 2024

Welcome

MPC'S MISSION

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VISITING TODAY?

If this is your first time worshipping with us, we hope you will feel welcome. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us by phone at 610-566-3944.

We also invite you to visit our website at www.mediapresbyterian.org

Leading Worship This Morning...

Reverend Dr. David Cagle, Transitional Pastor

Reverend Rose Sparrow, Parish Associate

Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Emily Barth, Organist

Julie Havel, Worship Leader

*Today's chancel flowers are dedicated
in loving memory of my parents,
Marita and Richard Lake.*

~ Jean Furey

GATHERING

Prelude

Adoration

Florence Price

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Revelation 1:5-6)

Leader: What brings us together in this place?

All: To worship Christ, who loves us, who freed us from our sins by his blood and who made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father.

Leader: To him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let's prepare our hearts and minds to worship Jesus Christ, our king.

***Opening Worship** (Led by Worship Team) (Song Sheets available)

All the People Said Amen

Matt Maher, Trevor Morgan, Paul Moak

Graves Into Gardens

Elevation Worship

Children's Moment

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

Blessing of the Children (*All*)

Almighty God, from whom we receive our life: We thank you for blessing us with the joy and care of children. Give us calm strength and patient wisdom, that we may teach them to love you, and to love whatever is just, true and good. Protect them from danger and hold them safe in your arms. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Call to Confession (based on Hebrews 4:15-16 & John 18:33-37)

Leader: Christ sympathizes with our weaknesses. The one we call King in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's grace,

All: let us confess our sins together.

(Now, take a few moments of honesty before God in silent confession)

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

Prayer of Confession (*All*)

Lord, however much we call you king, we fail to follow your call to us. We succumb to the political temptations of this temporary world, seeking power and security while you call us to service and hospitality, consuming your creation while you call us to care for it, hating our neighbors, who you call us to love. In our failure to claim you, we identify more with the nations on our passports than with your kingdom. We pray that you reclaim us as your people, forgive us as your children, and continue to be our Lord and our hope for salvation.

Assurance of Pardon (based on Psalm 93:5, Revelation 1:5)

Leader: Hear the good news: Jesus Christ loves us and has set us free from our sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, and by the certainty of God's decree, Know that we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

***Song of Praise**

Glory Be to the Father

Hymn #579

Gloria Patri

(Blue)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

***Sharing the Joy of Our Faith**

EQUIPPING

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Julie Havel

Scripture Reading: I Samuel 1:1a, 2-22 pg. 213

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading II: Philippians 4:4-7 pg. 955

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "A Grace-Full Life"

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

RESPONDING

***Affirmation of Faith (All)**

Theological Declaration of Barmen

Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death. The Christian Church is the congregation of the brethren in which Jesus Christ acts presently as the Lord in Word and Sacrament through the Holy Spirit. As the Church of pardoned sinners, it has to testify in the midst of a sinful world, with its faith as with its obedience, with its message as with its order, that it is solely his property, and that it lives and wants to live solely from his comfort and from his direction in the expectation of his appearance.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem

Sing to the Lord of Harvest

(MPC Choir)

***Doxology**

Hymn #592

OLD HUNDRETH

**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

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

There are prepackaged communion cups located in baskets at the back of the sanctuary if you prefer not taking communion by intinction.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise. *The prayer continues...*

Sanctus (*All*)

Holy, Holy, Holy

Richard Proulx

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer (*All*)

**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 have
sinned 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.**

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer

SENDING

***Closing Hymn #554 Let All Things Now Living**
(Blue)

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Festal March

Florence Price

GENERAL INFORMATION

Restrooms -A restroom is located in the parlor at the back of the sanctuary. Handicap-accessible restrooms are located through either side door at the front of the sanctuary, then around the corner.

Nursery -Our Nursery is available for infants and children up to 4 years old during our 9:00am Sunday School hour and the 10:00am worship service.

Sunday School -Adults meet at 9:00am in Room 102. Children's Sunday School is in the Children's Wing. Youth Sunday School is in the Youth Room.

Prayer Chain -If you are in need of prayer or would like to receive prayer chain updates, please email Reverend Rose.

Attention Mothers of Infants -The parlor at the back of the church is available for privacy during church services.

Church Office Hours- Monday through Thursday, 8:30am-4:00pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS

◆ **Holiday Decorating!**

The Worship Committee invites anyone interested to join us in decorating the church for Christmas. We plan to meet on Wednesday, November 27 at 11:00 AM and work until we are decorated. Please email Eric MacDonald if you are able to help at ecmacd@gmail.com.

◆ **MPC Holiday Craft Market!**

Our Holiday Craft Market will be held on November 30th, 2024 from 12-4pm. Looking for more information on being a vendor or the Holiday Craft Market in general? Check out our website and go to the events page and click on our Holiday Craft Market tile!

◆ **MPC Youth Pie Baking**

The pies prepared by the youth yesterday are available for pick up after the service TODAY in Dale Hall. There are several extra pumpkin and apple pies available for purchase for \$15 if you did not pre-order. Come see us and thank you to everyone for your support!

◆ **MPC Soup & Service**

MPC Family and Friends: With grateful hearts let's join together on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 27, 2024, from 6-8pm for a Soup Supper & Service in Dale Hall. We'll share a meal and worship together. Please sign up in the hallway outside the kitchen or on the sign-up genius. You can also sign up to bring your favorite soup. We are looking for kitchen helpers to set up and clean up as well. BRING YOUR OWN BOWL (don't worry if you forget) for this special gathering! If you have any questions, please reach out to Jean Furey (jeanfurey@yahoo.com) or Robin Kauffman (robinkauffman@hotmail.com). ~MPC Deacons

◆ **Confirmation Class**

MPC will offer a Confirmation Class for high school students who are interested in exploring their faith more deeply and in becoming members of Media Presbyterian Church. We will have an informational meeting for interested students and parents in mid-December, and the class will begin in late January. Here is a description of the curriculum we will be using from the PCUSA called "Big God, Big Questions." "Focused on preparing students to authentically answer the traditional membership questions, this Confirmation curriculum will equip students with the vital skills of asking and seeking answers using scripture, tradition, and church to tell their own story as Christian believers." For more information, please contact Tom Jackson at tjack713@hotmail.com, or 610-299-4326.

ONGOING MINISTRIES

◆ **Adult Sunday School**

- Adult Sunday School meets each Sunday from 9-9:45am in Room 102. You may begin attending at any time! For additional information, please contact: Reverend David Cagle (david@mediapresbyterian.org).

◆ **Cornerstone Kids Children's Ministry**

- Building Lives on Christ (BLOC) is available most Sundays for children in 2nd grade and younger. The children are dismissed after the Children's Moment and should be picked up from Room 201 when the service is over.
- Contact Jeanne Cunningham (fuselloj@gmail.com) for more information.
- All Aboard!

Everyone is welcome to ride the Bethlehem Express with us this fall! On Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:30, we will start preparing for Christmas by learning songs, doing crafts, playing games, and taking imaginary train rides to some unexpected places! In preparation, look up some cool facts about trains and get ready to share them with your fellow passengers. You won't want to miss this adventure!

◆ **MPC Youth Ministry**

- Youth Sunday School meets from 9-9:45am in the Youth Room.
- Youth Group meets on Thursday from 7-8:30pm in the Youth Room.
- All youth are invited to join in our PIE BAKING BLITZ on Saturday, November 23, 9am-2pm at church. We will have jobs for bakers and non-bakers. We are also looking for adult volunteers who would like to join in the fun! Please reach out to Robin Kauffman if you have any questions, 484-574-0418.

MPC IS HIRING- See the website for more information!

◆ **Director of Children & Youth Ministries**

- Education: Bachelor's degree with focus in Christian Education is preferred. Demonstrated work experience in lieu of degree will be considered.



POINSETTIA ORDER FORM



Your orders for poinsettias enable us to beautify our sanctuary on Christmas Eve and allow you to recognize loved ones.

Poinsettias may be ordered by filling out this form and either placing it in the offering plate or returning it to the office. Plants cost \$12.00 each. Please make checks payable to *Media Presbyterian Church*. Orders and payments must be received by **Sunday, December 15**. Poinsettias may be taken home after the 5:30pm service on Christmas Eve. Please circle either 'In memory of', 'In honor of', or 'To the Glory of God'. If you do not wish to take your plant, please check the appropriate box below. Plants not picked up will be taken to the sick and/or homebound.

Please reserve:

_____ **Red Poinsettia (s)**

_____ **White Poinsettia (s)**

_____ **Total x \$12.00 each = \$ _____ enclosed**

In memory of:

In honor of:

To the Glory of God:

GIVEN BY:

Please hold _____ plant (s) for pickup.

Please deliver _____ plant (s) to shut-ins.

FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24th, 2024

Sunday, Nov 24th

8:30am Choir Practice, Sanctuary
8:45am Nursery opens for drop-off
9:00am Adult Sunday School, Room 102
9:00am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
9:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary
10:00am Sunday Worship Service (BLOC), Sanctuary
11:30am Worship Team, Sanctuary

Monday, Nov 25th

12:00pm Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom
6:30pm PNC, Room 102
7:00pm Women's Book Club, Zoom

Tuesday, Nov 26th

5:30pm SFC mtg., Zoom
7:00pm Deacons mtg., Room 102 & Zoom
7:00pm Property cmt. mtg., Room 103

Wednesday, Nov 27th

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen
10:00am Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow
Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#
2:30pm Bible Study, Lima Estates
6:00pm Soup Supper & Service, Sanctuary
7:00pm Christology class, Zoom

Thursday, Nov 28th

Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday, Nov 29th

Office Closed

Saturday, Nov 30th

12:00pm Holiday Craft Market, Dale Hall
6:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

Sunday, Dec 1st

8:30am Choir Practice, Sanctuary
8:45am Nursery opens for drop-off
9:00am Adult Sunday School, Room 102
9:00am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
9:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary
10:00am Sunday Worship Service (BLOC), Sanctuary
11:30am Worship Team, Sanctuary

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Director of Contemporary Music	Andrew Behringer	Andrew@mediapresbyterian.org
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	Parlor <i>(back of sanctuary)</i>	Ext. 1022
	Nursery	Ext. 1023
	Benevolence Hotline	Ext. 2000

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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ONLINE GIVING

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