



Sunday, September 17, 2023

*Media
Presbyterian
Church*

mediapresbyterian.org



OUR MISSION AND VISION

Our Mission is to love God and love our neighbor. Our Vision is to be a Christian Community that worships together, serves together, and grows together in faith.

Welcome

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

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Andria Kaskey, Director of Children's Ministry

Ed Ardis, Worship Leader

Stan Orr, Organist

Today's Chancel flowers are donated by Chris Hannemann in "memory of my parents: Lucille and Christian Wildermuth."

Chancel flowers last week were donated by Art and Beth Kalemkarian in honor of Reverend Rose Sparrow.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Missions

Lisa VanHeldorf, Choir

Call to Worship (Psalm 107:1-2, 8-9 RSV)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

All: *For his steadfast love endures forever!*

Leader: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

All: *Whom He has redeemed from trouble*

Leader: Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast love,

All: *For His wonderful works to the sons of men!*

Leader: For He satisfies him who is thirsty,

All: *And the hungry He fills with good things.*

*Opening Worship (Led by the Worship Team)

(Music Sheets available)

Let the Redeemed

Josh Baldwin

Build My Life

Pat Barrett/Housefires

Children's Moment

Andria Kaskey

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."

**please stand in body or in spirit*

Call to Confession (I John 1:8-9)

Leader: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

All: If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Prayer of Confession (All)

All: Holy Father, please forgive us. Though you should guide us, we inform ourselves. Though you should rule us, we control ourselves. Though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. For we think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Heal our confused mind with your word, heal our divided will with your law, heal our troubled conscience with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (From Psalm 103:8-12)

Leader: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. Receive the good news of the Gospel

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*Song of Praise, Hymn #579 (Blue)

Glory Be to the Father

Gloria Patri

*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

Ed Ardis

First Reading: Psalm 42:1-3 (pg.447)

Ed Ardis

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Reading: Isaiah 55:1 (pg.598); John 7:37-39 (pg.869)

Rev. Rose Sparrow

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Are You Thirsty?”

Rev. Rose Sparrow

RESPONDING

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS AND ELDERS

STATEMENT OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE ELDERS AND
DEACONS

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

WELCOME OF NEW OFFICERS

Invitation to Stewardship

Offering Song (Led by the MPC Choir)

I Will Make All Things New

Mary McDonald

*Doxology

Hymn #592 (Blue)

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 of Affirmation

SENDING

Hymn #288 (Blue)

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

GENERAL INFORMATION

Restrooms -A restroom is located in the parlor in 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 3 years old during our 9:00 a.m. Sunday School hour and the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Sunday School -Adults meet at 9:00 a.m. in Room 102 and via Zoom. 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 are Monday - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. During inclement weather, please call to make sure staff is present before coming to the office.

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Sign up to receive our weekly digital newsletter by going to our website or by emailing rebecca@mediapresbyterian.org.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Like and follow us on Facebook (Media Presbyterian Church).

ONLINE GIVING

Visit MediaPresbyterian.org/GiveOnline or scan the QR code to give your tithes & offerings.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Inquirer's Class**-Today following worship, there will be an Inquirer's Class for visitors of our church. This will be an opportunity to learn more about what Presbyterians believe, how Presbyterian congregations are organized and make decisions (church government), and how to get involved in our church. Some of the visitors who attend this class will be joining our church, while others may be inquiring about Presbyterianism and getting actively involved in our church's ministry and mission. If you are interested in attending or cannot join today but would like to get more information, please contact Reverend David at david@mediapresbyterian.org.
- **All-Church Mini Retreat**-Mark your calendars for our next All-Church Mini Retreat this Saturday, September 23 from noon to 4:00 p.m. The day will begin with lunch and fellowship, followed by singing. Our speaker, Pastor Saleem Wright, will lead us in exploring how we are "Laborers Together with God." It promises to be a time of fun, thought, great discussion, and an inspirational message! Sign-up online through the church website, or in the hallway on the kitchen side of the Library.
- **Nursery Person Needed**-We are looking to hire a part-time person to join our nursery worker Amanda Jacobson, Wednesday evenings from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. to care for children ages 4 and below, starting September 20th. Presently, we are looking for a volunteer to help out until the position is filled. There is a PA State Police Background Check and PA Child Abuse Clearances required for anyone who volunteers with children. For all inquiries, please email office@mediapresbyterian.org.

ONGOING MINISTRIES

- **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.
 - ◆ Join us every Wednesday night beginning this Wednesday, September 20, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Children's Wing for games, crafts, songs, and more!
 - ◆ Contact Janis Richards (janis_richards@yahoo.com).

- **MPC Youth Ministry**
 - ◆ Youth Sunday School meets from 9-9:45 a.m. in the Youth Room. Youth Group meets on Thursdays from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.
- **Women's Book Club**
 - ◆ We meet every 4th Monday in Room 102 and via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. Our book for September is "[The Girl with Seven Names: Escape from North Korea](#)" by Hyeonseo Lee and David John. Contact: Jean Furey (jeanfurey@yahoo.com). Our next meeting is September 25.
- **Spiritual Formation Committee: Pick Up The Sword This Year**
 - ◆ The Spiritual Formation Committee invites you to participate in their 52-Week Bible Reading Plan for 2023! The entire plan can be found in the newsletter or on our website.
- **Intercessory Prayer and Prayer Chain Updates**
 - ◆ Calling all Prayer Warriors! Join us for prayer on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. and Thursdays from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Call 425-436-6394, and use code 338523#. To submit prayer requests or updates, email Reverend Rose (rose@mediapresbyterian.org).
- **Prayer and Devotion Group**
 - ◆ From the tiny beginnings among Jesus' disciples, the Church exploded into a worldwide force in just a few years. How? Come and join us Mondays at noon via Zoom as we study Luke's account of how the gospel was carried from Jerusalem to Rome. We are using as our Study Guide, *Acts* by Life Change, A NavPress Bible Study. Zoom Meeting ID: 861 5515 1611; Passcode: 19063
- **Lima Estates Bible Study**
 - ◆ All residents of Lima Estates are invited to join Reverend Rose Sparrow for a Bible Study on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Email Reverend Rose (rose@mediapresbyterian.org) for more information.

Elders & Deacons Classes of 2024, 2025, 2026

<u>ELDERS</u>		
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Sandy Campbell	Jim Gatch	LuAnn Crosby
Art Kalemkarian, Jr.	Julie Havel	Jeanne Cunningham
Cindy McPeak	Jessica Johnson	Mark Gibble
Elizabeth Rohr	Eric MacDonald	Susan Kassab
Robin Smith	Kate Meehan	Eileen McLaughlin
Jo Snead	Paul Tutton	
	John Walton	
<i>Moderator:</i> Reverend Dr. David Cagle	<i>Clerk of Session:</i> Joe Hare	
<u>DEACONS</u>		
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Elaine Fetterman	Suzanne Beaumont	Jim Archambo
Jeanne Furey	Doug Crosby	Kim Gilchrist
Karen Gibble	Susan Hare	Michael Kaskey
Dave Layton	Dave Heckman	Alex Moore
Lynne McCone	Robin Kauffman	Sharon Riley
	Jill Lardon	
	Betsy McKeone	
	Pamela Orr	
	Belle Patton	

FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

Sunday, September 17

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 8:45 a.m. Nursery opens for drop-off
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Room 102 & Zoom
- 9:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service with BLOC, with Ordination
& Installation of remaining Elders &
Deacons, Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Inquirer's Class, Room 102

Monday, September 18

- 12:00 p.m. Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom

Tuesday, September 19

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Room 102
- 6:30 p.m. Session Meeting, Room 102

Wednesday, September 20

- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow
Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#
- 6:30 p.m. Cornerstone Kids Wednesday Nights,
Children's Wing

Thursday, September 21

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study Breakfast,
Court Diner, Media
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Rev. Rose, Zoom
- 12:30 p.m. Intercessory Prayer & Prayer Chain Updates
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Group, Youth Room
- 7:00 p.m. Yoga

Friday, September 22

Office Closed

Saturday, September 23

- 12:00 p.m. All-Church Mini Retreat
- 6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Sunday, September 24

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 8:45 a.m. Nursery opens for drop-off
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Room 102 & Zoom
- 9:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service with BLOC, Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Reception for Sebastian Carpenter, Dale Hall

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