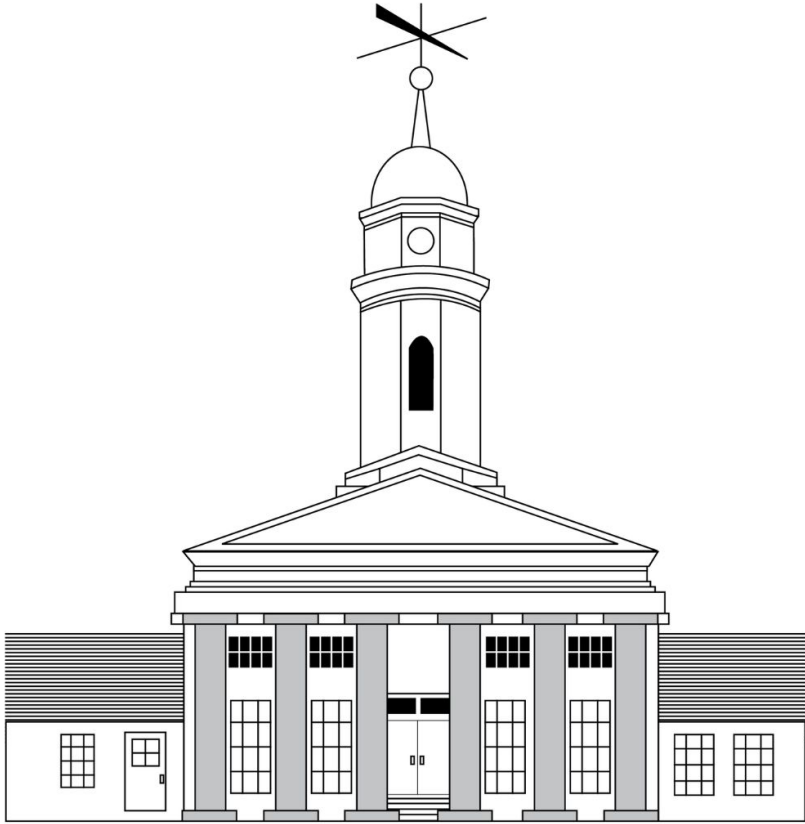


Media Presbyterian Church

Installation Service



“Fixing Our Eyes”

Worship. Grow. Serve.

Together

Sunday, October 19th, 2025

Welcome

*The Presbytery of Philadelphia and the Session and
Congregation of Media Presbyterian Church joyfully welcome
you to the Service of Installation of Rev. Doug Forsberg as
Senior Pastor at Media Presbyterian Church.*

All are invited to a reception following the service in Dale Hall.

Leading Worship This Afternoon...

Betsy Podrebarac, Media PC

Eric MacDonald, Media PC

Susan Kassab, Media PC

Jessica Johnson, Media PC

Joe Hare, Media PC

Charlie Jones, Concord Liberty PC

Rev. Doug McPheeters, Middletown Church

Rev. Sarah Cooper Searight, Swarthmore (Moderator of Presbytery)

Rev. Dr. Chris Edwards

Members of the Presbytery Commission . . .

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Rev. Doug McPheeters, Middletown Church

Glen Hartzell, Chestnut Hill PC, Elder

Sue Magaruh, The Anchor PC, Elder

Jessica Johnson, Media PC, Elder

Media Presbyterian Church's Music Staff. . .

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music

Emily Barth, Organist

GATHERING

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision

Matthew McConell

Welcome

Betsy Podrebarac & Eric MacDonald

Call to Worship (Psalm 19)

The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

**²Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.**

³They have no speech, they use no words;
no sound is heard from them.

**⁴Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.**

In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

⁵It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber,
like a champion rejoicing to run his course.

**⁶It rises at one end of the heavens
and makes its circuit to the other;
nothing is deprived of its warmth.**

⁷The law of the LORD is perfect,
refreshing the soul.

The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy,
making wise the simple.

**⁸The precepts of the LORD are right,
giving joy to the heart.**

**The commands of the LORD are radiant,
giving light to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever.

The decrees of the LORD are firm,
and all of them are righteous.

**¹⁰They are more precious than gold,
than much pure gold;
they are sweeter than honey,
than honey from the honeycomb.**

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

¹¹By them your servant is warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.

¹²**But who can discern their own errors?
Forgive my hidden faults.**

¹³Keep your servant also from willful sins;
may they not rule over me.

Then I will be blameless,
innocent of great transgression.

¹⁴**May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart
be pleasing in your sight,
LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer**

***Opening Songs**

How Great Thou Art

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon (A//)

Gracious and merciful Father, scripture teaches us that Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. We know this to be true, yet we are easily distracted and our eyes are drawn to all kinds of shiny people, things and ideas that glitter like diamonds and gold but cannot save us. Forgive us our distraction; forgive us for taking our eyes off of Jesus. In the quiet of our own hearts, we confess our sin to you . . .

[silent confession]

Hear our prayers Lord, for we are sorry for our sin and long for your restoration. So it is that we pray in the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

EQUIPPING

THE WORD

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 12:1-2 pg. 978

Sermon:

"Fixing Our Eyes"

Rev. Dr. Chris Edwards

RESPONDING

***Affirmation of Faith (A/I)** *Apostles' Creed* Susan Kassab

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Announcement of the Offering and Its Purpose Jessica Johnson

Offertory Anthem *I Will Make All Things New* Mary McDonald

***Doxology** *God Be Praised*

Service of Installation

Words of Introduction Rev. Sarah Cooper Searight

Constitutional Questions to Rev. Doug Forsberg

Constitutional Questions to Congregation Joe Hare

Prayer of Installation Rev. Sarah Cooper Searight

Declaration of Installation Rev. Sarah Cooper Searight

Charge to Newly Installed Pastor Rev. Doug McPheeters & Charlie Jones

Charge to Congregation Rev. Doug McPheeters & Charlie Jones

SENDING

***Closing Hymn #468** *Be Thou My Vision*
(Red)

Benediction Rev. Doug Forsberg

Postlude *Recessional* Douglas Wagner

Constitutional Questions for the Pastor:

1. Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
2. Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?
3. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?
4. Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?
5. Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?
6. Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?
7. Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?
8. Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?
9. Will you be a faithful minister of the Word and Sacrament, proclaiming the good news in Word and Sacrament, teaching faith and caring for people? Will you be active in government and discipline, serving in the councils of the church; and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

Constitutional Questions for the Congregation:

1. Do we, the members of the church, accept Rev. Doug Forsberg as our pastor, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to guide us in the way of Jesus Christ?
2. Do we agree to pray for him, to encourage him, to respect his decisions, and to follow as he guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?
3. Do we promise to pay him fairly and provide for his welfare as he works among us; to stand by him in trouble and share his joys? Will we listen to the Word he preaches, welcome his pastoral care, and honor his authority as he seeks to honor and obey Jesus Christ our Lord?