



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023  
10:00 A.M. SERVICE

*Media  
Presbyterian  
Church*

# 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](http://www.mediapresbyterian.org).

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### **Leading worship this morning...**

Reverend Dr. David Cagle, Transitional Pastor

Reverend Rose Sparrow, Parish Associate

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Sebastian Carpenter, Director of Contemporary Music & Worship,

Director of Youth Ministries

Andria Kaskey, Director of Children's Ministry

Paul Tutton, Worship Leader

Emily Barth, Organist

The Chancel flowers are donated by Dee Casner in grateful praise for His grace.

## GATHERING

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### Prelude

*A Pleasant Thought*

Florence Price

### Welcome and Announcements

### Minute for Missions

Commissioning of Mission Study Team

### Call to Worship (Psalm 103:1-5)

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless  
God's holy name.

*All: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all God's  
benefits—who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your  
diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you  
with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as  
long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.*

### \*Opening Worship

(Music sheets are available)

*Build Your Kingdom Here*

Rend Collective

*God So Loved*

We the Kingdom

### Blessing of the Backpacks

Andria Kaskey

### Call to Confession (Psalm 103:8-10)

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding  
in steadfast love.

The Lord will not always accuse, nor will God be  
angered forever.

God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us  
according to our iniquities.

*All: Trusting this promise, we boldly confess our sin to God and  
before one another.*

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

*\*please stand in body or in spirit*

## Prayer of Confession (*All*)

*All: Lord Christ, you declare: Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. You instruct us to forgive seventy-seven times, to remember God's grace toward us and extend it to one another. Despite your clear word to refrain from judging others, we pronounce others guilty and unworthy of our compassion. We quarrel over opinions and sow division when you call us to cultivate relationships and demonstrate our unity in Christ. Instead of responding to your grace with gratitude, we attempt to limit the love you command us to share. Forgive our hard-heartedness. Expand our circles of concern. Enliven our communities with your boundary breaking, reconciling Spirit. Amen.*

## Assurance of Pardon (Psalm 103:11-13)

Leader: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is the Lord's steadfast love toward those who fear God; as far as the east is from the west, so far the Lord removes our transgressions from us.

*All: Friends, believe the Good News, through Jesus Christ we are forgiven!*

## \*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

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## THE WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

Paul Tutton

Sermon Reading: Matthew 18:21-35 (pg.800)

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

*All: Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

*“Three Strikes and You're Out!”*

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

## RESPONDING

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### \*Affirmation of Faith

*The Confession of Belbar*

- All: We believe in one holy, universal Christian Church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe...*
- Right: ...that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another;*
- Left: ...that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain;*
- Pulpit: that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted;*
- Lectern: that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: in that we love one another;*
- Men: that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another;*
- Women: that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope;*
- All: together come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ; together are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity; together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ that we need one another and upbuild one another, admonishing and comforting one another; that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; pray together; together serve God in this world; and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity.*

## Prayers of the People

### Invitation to Stewardship

Offering Song (Led by the MPC Choir)

*Now We Remain*

David Hass

### \*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

## ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS AND ELDERS

### LITANY FOR ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Leader: As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

**People:** *There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling.*

Leader: In baptism, each of these people were clothed with Christ, and are now called by God through the voice of the church to enter into ministries of service and governance, announcing in word and deed the good news of Jesus Christ.

**People:** *We remember with joy our common calling to serve Christ, and we celebrate God's particular call to our brothers and sisters.*

Leader: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

**People:** *There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.*

Leader: God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

**People:** *To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.*

Leader: Together we are the body of Christ,

**People:** *and individually members of it.*

STATEMENT OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION  
REQUIREMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ELDERS  
REQUIREMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF DEACONS

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE ELDERS AND  
DEACONS

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS TO THE CONGREGATION  
PRAYER OF INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION

*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.*

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

WELCOME OF NEW OFFICERS

SENDING

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\* Hymn #525 (Blue)

*Here I Am, Lord*

Charge and Blessing

\*Postlude

*Festal March*  
Florence Price

## GENERAL INFORMATION

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**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

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Sign up to receive our weekly digital newsletter by going to our website or by emailing [rebecca@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:rebecca@mediapresbyterian.org).

## FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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

## ONLINE GIVING

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Visit [MediaPresbyterian.org/GiveOnline](https://MediaPresbyterian.org/GiveOnline) or scan the QR code to give your tithes & offerings.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

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- **All-Church Mini Retreat**-Mark your calendars for our next All-Church Mini Retreat on Saturday, September 23rd from noon to 4:00 p.m. here at the church! The day will begin with lunch and fellowship, followed by singing, and 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.



- **Inquirer's Class**-Next Sunday, September 17, 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, contact Sue Hare at [susanmlowry@hotmail.com](mailto:susanmlowry@hotmail.com). If you would like more information, contact Pastor David at [david@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:david@mediapresbyterian.org).
- **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](mailto:office@mediapresbyterian.org).

## ONGOING MINISTRIES

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- **Cornerstone Kids Children's Ministry**
  - ◆ Building Lives on Christ (BLOC) is available most Sundays for children going into 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 next Wednesday, September 20, from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. in the Children's Wing for games, crafts, songs, and more!
  - ◆ Contact Andria Kaskey ([andria@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:andria@mediapresbyterian.org)).
- **Faith & Film**
  - ◆ Every 2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Room 103 or Zoom join us for film conversations. Our next meeting is September 14. Contact: Steve Beckley([strybeck242@gmail.com](mailto:strybeck242@gmail.com)).
- **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](mailto:jeanfurey@yahoo.com)). Our next meeting is September 25.

# FINANCIAL UPDATE

## Financial Update for August 2023 & Year To Date Totals:

	Month As Of 8/31/2023	YTD Total for 2023	Giving Needed YTD	2023 Budget
Receipts:	\$38,754	\$479,679	\$567,538	\$868,000
Expenditures:	\$68,588	\$565,419		\$868,000
Receipts minus Expenses	\$ (29,834)	\$ (85,740)		

Thank you so much for your continued support of our  
ministry at Media Presbyterian Church

### Deacons Fund:

Beginning balance in 2023	\$17,103
+ Received YTD	\$8,204
- Spending for Benevolence	-\$9,910
Total balance to date	\$15,397

## Elders

### Class of 2024

Sandy Campbell  
Art Kalemkarian, Jr.  
Cindy McPeak+  
Elizabeth Rohr  
Robin Smith+  
Jo Snead+

### Class of 2025

Jim Gatch  
Julie Havel  
Jessica Johnson  
Eric MacDonald  
Kate Meehan  
Paul Tutton  
John Walton+

### Class of 2026

LuAnn Crosby+  
Jeanne Cunningham+  
Mark Gibble+  
Susan Kassab+  
Eileen McLaughlin+

## Deacons

### Class of 2024

Jeanne Furey  
Elaine Fetterman  
Karen Gibble  
Dave Layton  
Lynne McCone

### Class of 2025

Suzanne Beaumont  
Doug Crosby  
Susan Hare  
Dave Heckman  
Robin Kauffman

### Class of 2026

Jill Lardon  
Jim Archambo+  
Kim Gilchrist+  
Michael Kaskey+  
Alex Moore+  
Sharon Riley+

BetsyMcKeone  
Pamela Orr  
Belle Patton

Jo Hare, Clerk of Session

\*Term ends September 17, 2023

+Term begins September 17, 2023

## **FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2023**

Sunday, September 10

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 8:45 a.m. Nursery opens for drop-offs
- 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 (no communion), with BLOC, with Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons, with "Blessing of the Backpacks," Sanctuary

Monday, September 11

- 12:00 p.m. Prayer & Devotion Group, Zoom
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting, Room 102

Tuesday, September 12

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Room 102

Wednesday, September 13

- 9:00 a.m. Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen
- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow  
Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#
- 2:30 p.m. Lima Estates Bible Study, Lima Estates

Thursday, September 14

- 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. Faith and Film, Room 103 & via Zoom
- 7:00 p.m. Yoga, Dale Hall

Friday, September 15

Office Closed

Saturday, September 16

- 6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Sunday, September 17

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 8:45 a.m. Nursery opens for drop-offs
- 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. Inquirer's Class, Room 102

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	Main Kitchen	Ext. 1021
	Parlor <i>(back of sanctuary)</i>	Ext. 1022
	Nursery	Ext. 1023
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