



**MEDIA
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

"Be Prepared to Wait"

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023
10:00 A.M. SERVICE

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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

Sandy Campbell, Worship Leader

Stan Orr, Organist

The Chancel flowers are donated by Chris Blidan in loving memory of "her sister, Nancy Blidan Checket and her mother, Shirley Walton Blidan. To God be the glory."

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Psalm 78:1-7)

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

All: *We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and God's might, and the wonders that he has done.*

Leader: The Lord established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which God commanded our ancestors to teach to their children; that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children,

All: *So that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep God's commandments.*

*Opening Worship (Led by Worship Team)

(Music Sheets available)

Our God
Chris Tomlin

Make Room
Rebekah White

Children's Moment

Pam Orr

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 (Psalm 103:12)

Leader: As far as the east is from the west, so far does God remove our transgressions from us, says the psalmist. With the assurance of God's healing mercies in our lives, we need not fear confession, but instead come with honesty, seeking wholeness in our own lives, and in the lives of those we may have injured. Let us confess to God those aspects of our lives in need of God's grace.

All: *Let us confess our sins together.*

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

Prayer of Confession (All)

All: *Holy God, your way for us is clear: We are to live so that the manner of our lives speaks of your goodness, your generosity, your infinite mercy. Too often, though, we forget the purposes for which you made us. Too often, when we might meet inhumanity with the reflection of your goodness, we turn aside. We return unkindness for unkindness. We cling to what might be shared. We avoid those who are not like us. We fail to give grace in the measure we have received it. Forgive us, we pray. Remind us that your goodness is enduring, and your mercy is everlasting, for we pray all these things in the name of our savior, Jesus Christ...*

Assurance of Pardon (Ephesians 2:8-10)

Leader: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing: it is the gift of God, not the result of works, so that no one might boast.

All: *For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.*

Leader: Believe the promise of the gospel:

All: *In 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

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Sandy Campbell

Sermon Reading: Matthew 25:1-13 (pg.806)

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

**“Be Prepared to Wait”
(Endurance of Faith)**

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

RESPONDING

***Affirmation of Faith (All)**

The Apostles' Creed

Leader: Brothers and sisters, what do you believe?

All: *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 Ghost,
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.*

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offering Song (Led by the MPC Choir)

*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

*Closing Hymn #332 (Blue)

Live Into Hope

Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

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 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

- **Media Food Bank-Turkey Collection**
 - ◆ It's that time of year again when we help the Media Food Bank support local families in need this Thanksgiving. Please bring a turkey, turkey coupon, or cash donation to the church by this Thursday, November 16. If you have any questions, please reach out to Eileen McLaughlin (mclaughlin.bes@gmail.com).
- **Thanksgiving Eve Soup and Service**
 - ◆ On behalf of the MPC Deacons, all are invited to the Thanksgiving Eve Soup and Service, Wednesday, November 22 from 6-8 p.m. in Dale Hale. This special service will also include communion. Please let us know if you will be attending and what you can bring to share (soup, dessert, bread/butter, beverages). Use the Sign-Up Genius found in the Stay Connected or on our website or signup on the bulletin board in the hallway by the library by today, November 12. Consider bringing 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), Pam Orr (orrpl@verizon.net), or Robin Kauffman (robinkauffman@hotmail.com).
- **MPC Annual Christmas Concert**
 - ◆ All are welcome to the MPC Annual Christmas Concert being held in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 17, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Invite your friends, family, and neighbors to this glorious celebration of the birth of our Savior! Reach out to Lisa (lisa@medispresbyterian.org) for more information.

- **Media Food Bank**

- ◆ Let's bless our community with a Thanksgiving meal through our support of the Media Food Bank! If you are able, please donate the following items to support families in need here in Media. If you have any questions, please reach out to Eileen McLaughlin (mclaughlin.bes@gmail.com).

- Stuffing Mix
- Canned Sweet Potatoes
- Cream of Mushroom Soup
- Canned Green Beans
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Cranberry Sauce
- Cornbread Mix
- French's Onion Rings

- **MPC Youth Ministry-Thanksgiving Pies**

- ◆ The MPC Youth are ready to make your Thanksgiving as easy as PIE! Pre-order fresh or frozen, pumpkin and apple pies for \$15 each using the Sign-Up Genius in the Stay Connected, on the website or signup in Hassler Chapel today, November 12 after the service. Pick up your order on Sunday, November 19 after the service. The Youth will be donating the funds raised to an organization they are voting on (to be announced soon!). For more information please reach out to Robin Kauffman (robinkauffman@hotmail.com).

ONGOING MINISTRIES

- **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. Pie Baking Event is happening Saturday, November 18 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Email Robin Kauffman (robinkauffman@hotmail.com) for more information.

- **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.
- ◆ **Cornerstone Kids Wednesday Nights**-Children in Kindergarten through 5th grade join us every Wednesday night 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 IS HIRING

- **Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries**
 - ◆ The Search Committee requests your help in finding a qualified applicant for the position of Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries at MPC. This is a full-time, non-ordained position that is responsible for developing and leading our ministry to children, youth, and families. The ideal candidate will have a passion for working with children and youth, a strong understanding of Protestant theology and practice, and experience working with children and youth in a variety of settings. Qualified candidates may contact employment@mediapresbyterian.org. See the website or newsletter for more information.\

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial Update for October 2023 & Year To Date Totals:

	Month As Of 10/31/2023	YTD Total for 2023	Giving Needed YTD	2023 Budget
Receipts:	\$67,607	\$597,538	\$717,769	\$868,000
Expenditures:	\$65,002	\$688,591		\$868,000
Receipts minus Expenses	\$2,605	\$(91,053)		

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

Deacons Fund:

Beginning

balance in 2023 \$17,352

+ Received YTD \$9,350

- Spending for

Benevolence -\$14,529

Total balance to date \$12,173

FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12, 2023

Sunday, November 12

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. Sunday Worship Service with BLOC, Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Signup for Thanksgiving Pies, Hassler Chapel
7:00 p.m. Youth Committee Meeting, Zoom

Monday, November 13

12:00 p.m. Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom
4:45 p.m. Mission Study Team meeting, Room 102

Tuesday, November 14

Nothing on Schedule

Wednesday, November 15

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, November 16

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, November 17

Office Closed

Saturday, November 18

10:00 a.m. Youth Pie Baking Blitz, Kitchen
6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Sunday, November 19

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. Sunday Worship Service with BLOC, Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Pickup Thanksgiving Pies, Hassler Chapel

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