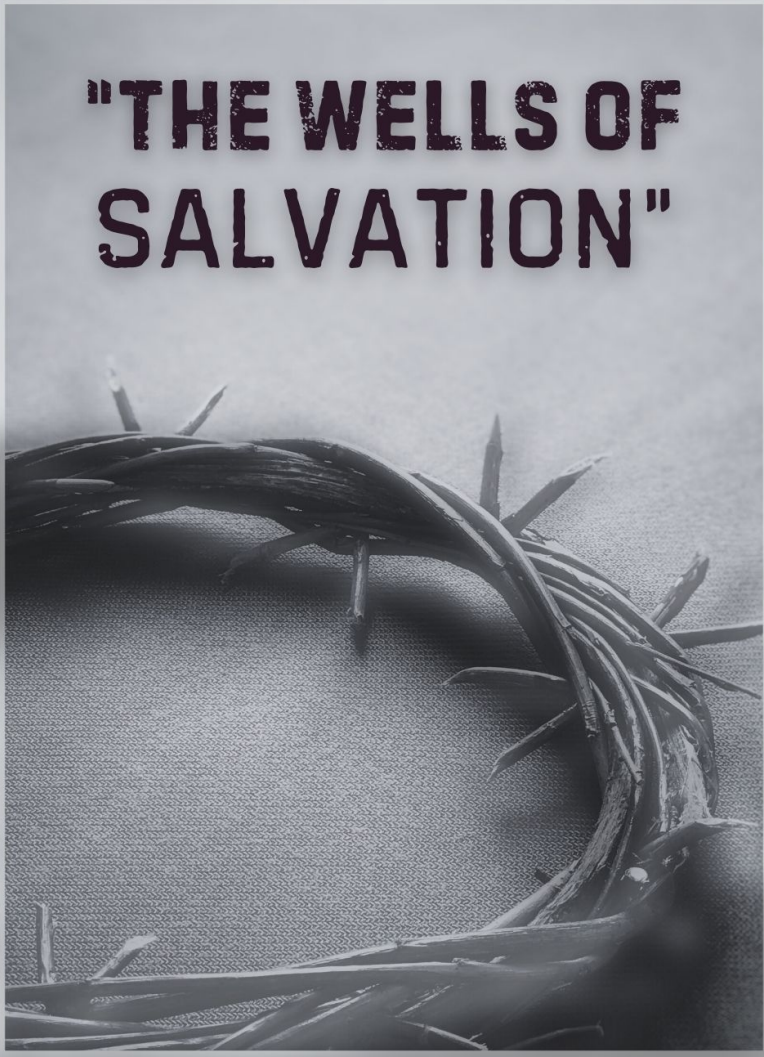


**Sunday, March 30th, 2025**

**10:00am Service**

**"THE WELLS OF  
SALVATION"**



**MEDIA**

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

# Welcome

## **MPC'S MISSION**

Worship. Grow. Serve.  
Together

## **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 Doug Forsberg, Pastor-Elect  
Reverend Dr. David Cagle, Transitional Pastor  
Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music  
Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music  
Dr. Stan Orr, Organist  
Pastor Nominating Committee, Worship Leaders

*Today's chancel flowers are dedicated in  
loving memory of Clifford D. Craig.*

*~Robin Smith*

# GATHERING

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**Prelude** *O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde groß* J. S. Bach

**Welcome and Announcements** Betsy Podrebarac

**Call to Worship** (Psalm 98) Eric MacDonald

**Leader:** Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

**People:** **The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

**Leader:** Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music; make music to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing, with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn-- shout for joy before the LORD, the King.

**People:** **Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.**

**All:** **Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy; let them sing before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.**

**\*Opening Worship** (Led by Worship Team)

*Rest On Us*

*In Christ Alone*

Brandon Lake, Elyssa Smith, Harvest Bashta,  
Jonathan Jay, Rebekah White, & Tony Brown

Keith and Krysten Getty, &  
Stuart Townend

**Children's Moment** Sandi Gatch

**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)

Joe Lesniak

Leader: If we claim that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All: Let us confess our sins together.**

## Prayer of Confession (All)

**All: Merciful Father, we who own more than we use, proclaim more than we experience, and request more than we need, come asking your forgiveness. We seek your salvation, then act like we save ourselves. We beg your forgiveness, then repeat our errors. We experience your grace, then act defeated. We rely on your power, but only in hard times. We have become confused and misguided. Forgive our every defection. O God, in the quiet of our own hearts, we confess our sin to you... In Jesus' name, Amen.**

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

Leader: Lord, bring us to an unbroken commitment and a steady trust, through Jesus Christ, who is our only hope, now and always. Amen.

## Lenten Response #82 (Blue) *Oh Lamb Of God Most Holy!*

**(All) Oh Lamb of God most Holy  
Who on the cross did suffer  
And patient still and lowly,  
Yourself to scorn did offer:  
Our sins by You were taken,  
Or hope had us forsaken.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus!**

## Assurance of Pardon (I Tim. 1:15; I Peter 2:24)

Leader: Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ came into this world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and be alive to all that is good. Friends hear the Good News: In Jesus Christ, you 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**

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THE WORD

**Prayer for Illumination**

Eric MacDonald

**First Scripture Reading: John 4:9-15 pg. 865**

Eric MacDonald

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Second Scripture Reading: Isaiah 12:1-6 pg. 558**

Eric MacDonald

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon: "The Wells of Salvation"**

Rev. Doug Forsberg

**RESPONDING**

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**\*Affirmation of Faith (All)**

*The Apostle's 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 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 Ghost; 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**

Joe Hare

**Invitation to Stewardship**

Pete Ellis

## Offertory Anthem

(MPC Choir)

*Turn Thy Face From My Sins*

## \*Doxology

*OLD HUNDRETH*

Hymn #592

**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

Pete Ellis

### 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

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### SENDING

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\***Closing Hymn #85** (Blue)     *What Wondrous Love Is This*

## Charge and Blessing

## Postlude

*Fugue in g*

J. S. Bach

Media Presbyterian Church's new Friendship Pads are donated in loving memory of Frank Podrebarac.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

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**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 us at [Office@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:Office@mediapresbyterian.org)

**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

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### ◆ **Special Meeting of the Congregation**

The Session of Media Presbyterian Church has called a Special Meeting of the Congregation to be held following today's 10:00 AM worship service, in the sanctuary at Media Presbyterian Church and via the Zoom platform for those unable to attend in-person. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report of the Pastor Nominating Committee concerning the Pastor-elect, approving the call of the Pastor-elect, and to accept the terms of call.

### ◆ **Guest Preacher- Rev. Andy Jacob, Chester Eastside, April 6th**

Please join us on Sunday, April 6th to hear the Reverend Andrew Jacob, Executive Director of Chester Eastside Ministries preach. Chester Eastside is one of our Mission partners and their work helps to address the strengths, potential, and resilience of families struggling with poverty and health concerns as well as the educational and economic deficits in Chester. CEI offers programs for children and adults providing resources to improve outcomes for the entire community. Their initiatives help Chester residents by meeting basic human needs through food and clothing distributions while also providing a safe environment for education and skill development. The Mission Committee is thrilled to have Andy preach. Join us to hear about the incredible work being done in Chester!

### ◆ **175th Anniversary Celebration**

The **175th Anniversary Celebration** of Media Presbyterian Church will be held on Sunday, May 18th. We will be hosting a special service, remembrances of the past and sharing our hopes for the future. A catered meal will occur after the service in Dale Hall. The Sign-Up Genius for the meal is now available. It can be found on the church website and on StayConnected. On the bulletin board in the hallway by the kitchen, there is also a sign-up sheet. We would like everyone to be able to attend.

**Please sign up by May 4th so we can get a headcount.** Drinks and some desserts are also desired. Help will be needed for set-up and clean-up. Flowers are going to be available for decoration. If you would like to contribute, you can do so by writing a check to MPC or doing so on-line-\$10 donation. You can take flowers home after the celebration. Also, a general fund for the celebration has been established to help defray any associated costs of the celebration. Please indicate "175th Celebration" on all donations. We hope to have a joyous day of celebrating our past and embracing our future!



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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### ◆ **BECOME A PART OF MPC HISTORY**

As we celebrate our 175th anniversary as a congregation, each one of us has special memories of our own experiences at MPC. In order to record these individual moments, please stop by Hassler Chapel to fill out a special "Memory Card". Did you have a special moment at Harvey Cedars? Did you spend a week helping others with Habitat for Humanity? Were you thrilled to see your children in a pageant or participate in a musical program? How about a baptism or a wedding? The possibilities are endless. The 4 x6 cards will be placed in albums to be shared this year and the next 175 years. We hope to share the past and our hopes for the future at MPC. A scrapbook will be located in Hassler Chapel starting March 16th. Along with the book are decorated or blank 4 x 6 cards. Use them to write down thoughts and memories about your experiences at church. Then, put the finished cards in the basket designated for completed cards. Add a picture or so if desired.

## **ONGOING MINISTRIES**

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### ◆ **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: Sharon Riley (sriley1347@gmail.com).

### ◆ **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.

### ◆ **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.

# LENTEN LOAVES OF LOVE

**LENTEN LOAVES OF LOVE** is 22 years old! Since 2003, MPC has provided well over \$50,000 via LLL to show our love for God and for our neighbors during this reflective season that culminates in the triumph and joy of the Resurrection. Once again, this year, our gifts to *Lenten Loaves of Love* will enable us not only to beautify our sanctuary with flowers but also to share our love in a concrete way.

**During Lent 2025, we are supporting two new ministries in response to the devastation of the Southern California wildfires:**

## Cal Fire Benevolent Foundation

The Foundation provides financial assistance for the public good, by participating with burn centers and providing disaster relief throughout the state of California to relieve the burden on families. The money raised goes directly to assist firefighters, their families, those that support firefighters, and to assist burn victims.

[www.calfires.foundation](http://www.calfires.foundation)

## World Central Kitchen

WCK is the first to the frontlines, providing fresh meals in response to humanitarian, climate & community crises. Food is essential to life every single day, all over the world—and it is more important than ever in a crisis. Not only is a thoughtful, freshly prepared meal one less thing someone has to worry about in the wake of a disaster, it is a reminder that you are not alone, someone is thinking about you, and someone cares. Food has the power to be the nourishment and hope we need to pick ourselves back up in the darkest times. WCK is currently working in Southern California providing meals and support to those displaced by the fires and the First Responders fighting the fires. [www.wck.org](http://www.wck.org)

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*In addition to these special Mission/ Ministry opportunities, your contribution to Lenten Loaves of Love enables us to provide tulips and daffodils to make our sanctuary beautiful for Easter and to send cheer to our shut-ins after the service. If you would like to reserve flowers to take home after the worship service on Easter, please make a note on the dedication form below when you make your contribution to LLL. After we pay for the flowers, all other contributions will be divided evenly between our designated ministries.*

Each \$10.00 gift provides a single Lenten Loaf of Love. There is no limit to how many Loaves you may give! **Gifts received by Sunday, April 13, will be guaranteed acknowledgment in the Easter Sunday bulletin.** Fill out the information below and enclose it with your gift in the LLL envelope found in the pews and place the envelope in the offering plate.

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 I/we donate \$10.00 for each Lenten Loaf of Love

Total gift \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (make checks payable to MPC)

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tulips \_\_\_\_ Daffodils \_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

I/we would like to take a flower (s) home How many? \_\_\_\_\_

# FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 30th, 2025

## **Sunday, Mar 30th**

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 Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary  
11:30am Confirmation Class, Youth Room

## **Monday, Mar 31st**

12:00pm Prayer & Devotion, Zoom  
6:30pm PNC, Room 102

## **Tuesday, Apr 1st**

10:00am Staff meeting, Room 102  
6:30pm Mission mtg., Room 102  
7:00pm Property cmt mtg., Room 103

## **Wednesday, Apr 2nd**

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen  
10:00am Prayer Warriors,  
Call 605-313-5637, Code 2707235#  
6:30pm Cornerstone Kids

## **Thursday, Apr 3rd**

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Court Diner, Media  
10:00am Women's Bible Study, Zoom  
6:30pm MPC Ringers, Sanctuary  
7:00pm Yoga  
7:00pm Youth Group, Youth Room

## **Friday, Apr 4th**

Office Closed

## **Saturday, Apr 5th**

7:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

## **Sunday, Apr 6th**

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  
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|                                            | Parlor<br><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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