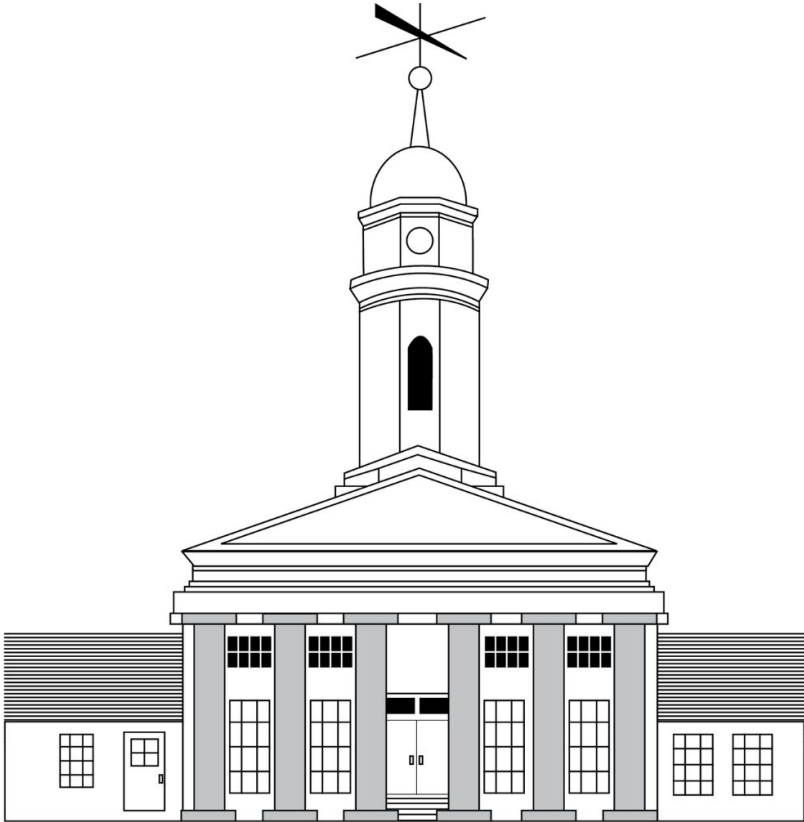


Media Presbyterian Church



“Summer in the Psalms: The Voice of the Lord”

Worship. Grow. Serve.
Together

Sunday, August 17th, 2025

Welcome

MPC'S MISSION

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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...

Rev. Doug Forsberg, Senior Pastor
Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music
Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music
Emily Barth, Organist
Joe Hare, Worship Leader

*Today's chancel flowers are dedicated
in honor of Gail Whitaker and all of
her work in Media.*

GATHERING

Prelude

Joyful Jig

Patricia Lou Harris

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Doug Forsberg

Call to Worship (Psalm 18)

Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength.

People: **The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. I call to the LORD, who is worthy of praise, and I am saved from my enemies.**

Leader: The cords of death entangled me; the torrents of destruction overwhelmed me. The cords of the grave coiled around me; the snares of death confronted me. In my distress I called to the LORD; I cried to my God for help.

People: **You, O LORD, keep my lamp burning; my God turns my darkness into light.**

All: **The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!**

*Opening Worship (Led by Worship Team)

This is Amazing Grace

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

Rest On Us

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Harvest Bashta, Jonathan Jay,
Rebekah White, & Tony Brown

Children's Moment

Rev. Doug Forsberg

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*

Prayer of Confession (A/I)

Gracious Father, if the goal of a well lived life is to glorify you and enjoy you forever, we confess that we have failed to do so. All too often we have glorified people, things and ideas that fall far short of your glory; and we have sought ultimate joy in things that are only fleeting – that pass away in a moment. Forgive us for disregarding your voice and failing to live in the reality of your glory. In the quiet of our hearts, we confess our sin to you

[silent confession]

Hear our prayers and forgive our every transgression, for we pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

***Song of Praise,**

Glory Be to the Father

Hymn #579 (Blue)

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 of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 29 pg. 438

Rev. Doug Forsberg

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Summer in the Psalms: The Voice of the Lord"

Rev. Doug Forsberg

RESPONDING

***Affirmation of Faith (A/I)**

Scots Confession 3.01 - God

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem

I Hear the Voice of Jesus Say

***Doxology**

Hymn #592

OLD HUNDRETH

**Praise God from whom all blessings grow;
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 God.**

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 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 #363**

To God Be the Glory

(Red)

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

All Heaven Rejoices

Christina Becket

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 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

Attention Mothers of Infants- The parlor at the back of the church is available for privacy during church services.

Attention Parents of Young Children- Please ask our ushers for a busy board so your child can draw during service.

Church Office Hours- Monday through Thursday, 8:30am-4:00pm.

StayConnected & Prayer Chain- If you feel as though you have not received the weekly StayConnected email or Prayer Chain... Please check your spam folder. If you still feel as though you are missing either, please call the office and we will be happy to help you try to figure out the issue.

UPCOMING EVENTS

◆ **MPC's 175th Anniversary Booklets are Available!**

The 175th Booklet is available as a hard copy and can be obtained through the church office or by reaching Sue Hare (610-724-0632) or Sue Kolva. The cost is \$10. It is now also online at no cost. It can be reached online via a link on Media Presbyterian Church's website. There is an addendum page that has been added and if you already have a copy of the booklet, the additional page can be picked up via the office, or through Sue Hare and Sue Kolva and can also be found on the church website.

◆ **Annual Church Picnic, September 7th**

Our BBQ Bash will immediately follow the service on September 7th. Please view our website for more information and to sign up!

◆ **Attention Parents of College Students**

If you would like your child to receive monthly notes or small packages from the deacons during the 2025-2026 school year please email their college addresses to either sriley1347@gmail.com or jeanfurey@yahoo.com.

Praying for all our students this school year.

ONGOING MINISTRIES

◆ **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 Ty Harvey (Ty@mediapresbyterian.org) for more information.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial Update for July 2025

	July 2025	Year to Date	Budget	% of Budget
Receipts:	\$ 74,924	\$ 436,881	\$ 770,600	56.69%
Expenditures:	\$ 77,451	\$ 442,446	\$ 797,429	55.48%
Receipts minus Expenses:	(\$ 2,527)	(\$ 5,565)		

Deacons Fund: Beginning balance in 2025	\$ 5,873
PLUS Received YTD	(+) \$ 4,894
PLUS Transfer from Missions	(+) \$ 5,000
LESS Spending for Benevolence & Food Cupboard	(-) \$ 5,900
Balance to date	\$ 9,867

FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 17th, 2025

Sunday, Aug 17th

8:30am Choir Practice, Sanctuary
8:45am Nursery opens for drop-off
9:00am Adult Sunday School, RM 102
9:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary
10:00am Sunday Worship Service (BLOC), Sanctuary
11:15am Summer Social, Front Lawn
11:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary

Monday, Aug 18th

12:00pm Prayer & Devotion, Zoom

Tuesday, Aug 19th

10:00am Staff mtg., RM 102
6:00pm Session mtg., RM 102 & Zoom

Wednesday, Aug 20th

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen
11:00am Prayer Warriors, Call 605-313-5637,
Code 2707235#
7:00pm Admin cmt. mtg., Zoom

Thursday, Aug 21st

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Court Diner, Media
10:00am Women's Bible Study, Zoom
7:00pm Yoga

Friday, Aug 22nd

Office Closed

Saturday, Aug 23rd

10:00am Memorial Service, Sanctuary
6:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

Sunday, Aug 24th

8:30am Choir Practice, Sanctuary
8:45am Nursery opens for drop-off
9:00am Adult Sunday School, RM 102
9:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary
10:00am Sunday Worship Service (BLOC), Sanctuary
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	Parlor <i>(Back of Sanctuary)</i>	Ext. 1022
	Nursery	Ext. 1023
	Benevolence Hotline	Ext. 2000

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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

ONLINE GIVING

Visit MediaPresbyterian.org/GiveOnline or scan the QR code to give your tithes. Gifts may also be given via Venmo @MediaPres

