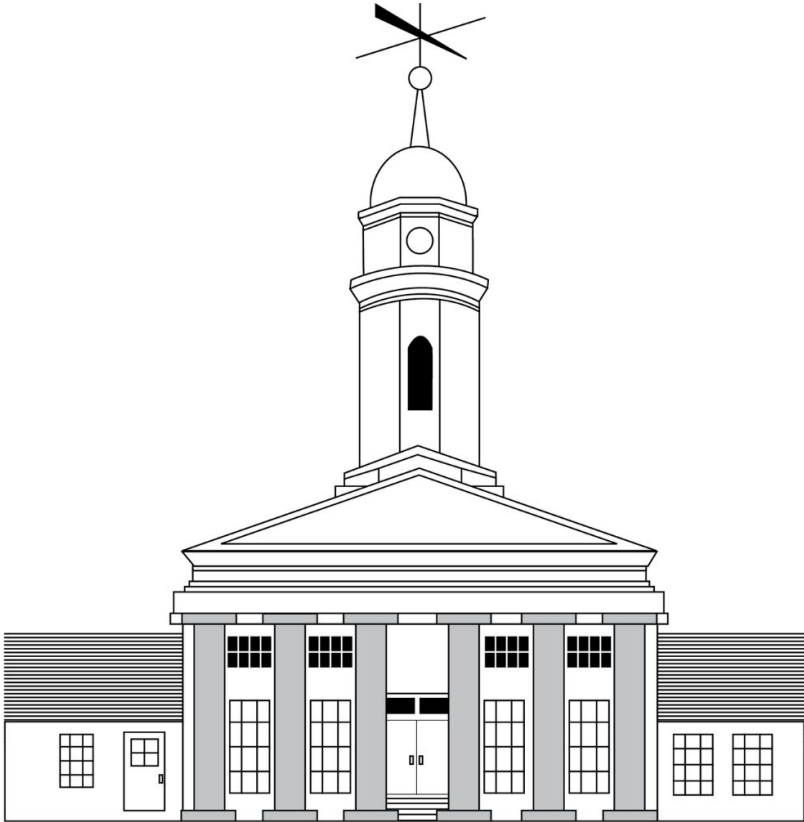


Media Presbyterian Church



**“Summer in the Psalms:
Our Dwelling Place”**

Worship. Grow. Serve.
Together

Sunday, August 24th, 2025

Welcome

MPC'S MISSION

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VISITING TODAY?

If this is your first time worshiping 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
memory of Harold W. Helfrich, Jr. by Anne
on this day which would have been our 78th
wedding anniversary.
~ Anne Helfrich*

GATHERING

Prelude

Aria

Caleb Simper

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Doug Forsberg

Minute for Mission

Kim Gilchrist

Call to Worship (Lamentations 3:21-25)

Leader: But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope.

People: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Leader: "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

People: The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.

Leader: Let us worship God!

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

Our God

Matt Redman, Jonas Myrin,
Chris Tomlin, & Jesse Reeves

Graves Into Gardens

Elevation Worship

Children's Moment

Ty Harvey

Blessing of the Children (A/I)

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)

Holy God, it is no small thing for us to be found in the holiness of your presence. We number our days with appointments, meetings, phone calls, texts, instant messages and urgent matters of all kinds. Our days are filled, and they pass by ever so quickly. Forgive us for neglecting the most important thing in our lives – our relationship with you. Forgive us for our inattention and our stubborn hearts that forget what matters most. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Savior. 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 90 pg. 476

Rev. Doug Forsberg

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Summer in the Psalms: Our Dwelling Place"

Rev. Doug Forsberg

RESPONDING

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

The Confession of 1975 (9.15)

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of our minds. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinners like us. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem

Choir Selection

***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 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 #370**

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

(Red)

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Trumpet Tune in C

Henry Purcell

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 (PreK-5th grade). Youth Sunday School is in the Youth Room (6th grade & up).

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.

◆ **Media Borough Yard Sale, Saturday, September 20th**

Media Presbyterian Church is going to join the Media Borough's Fall Yard Sale on Saturday, September 20th. Items for donation can be brought to Dale Hall starting Sunday, September 14th at noon. Funds raised will be given evenly to the Media Food Bank and to Outreach. Please bring items that you feel may sell (examples of items not sellable – VHS tapes). Be prepared to help remove items that don't sell – either back to your home or to various organizations (GreenDrop, Goodwill, FreeStore) in a timely manner. If you have questions, please contact Sue Hare or Jeanne Cunningham.

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.

FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 17th, 2025

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
11:15am Summer Social, Front Lawn
11:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary
11:15am Children's Volunteer mtg., RM 102 & Zoom

Monday, Aug 25th

12:00pm Prayer & Devotion, Zoom
7:00pm Women's Book Club, Zoom

Tuesday, Aug 26th

10:00am Staff mtg., RM 102
5:30pm Spiritual Formation cmt. mtg., Zoom
7:00pm Deacons mtg., RM 102

Wednesday, Aug 27th

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen
11:00am Prayer Warriors, Call 605-313-5637,
Code 2707235#

Thursday, Aug 28th

2:30pm Bible Study, Lima Estates
7:00am Men's Bible Study, Court Diner, Media
10:00am Women's Bible Study, Zoom
7:00pm Men's Book Club, RM 103
7:00pm Yoga

Friday, Aug 29th

Office Closed

Saturday, Aug 30th

11:00am Memorial Service, Sanctuary
6:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

Sunday, Aug 31st

8:30am Choir Practice, Sanctuary
8:45am Nursery opens for drop-off
9:00am Worship Team, Sanctuary
9:15am Sunday Worship Service (BLOC), Sanctuary
10:00am Worship Team, Sanctuary

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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ONLINE GIVING

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

