

Media Presbyterian Church
Sunday, November 19, 2023
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

*"Unconditional
Thanksgiving"*

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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 Rose Sparrow, Parish Associate

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Emily Barth, Organist

Robin Kauffman, Worship Leader

The Chancel flowers are donated by Chris Bosma "in loving memory of my beloved husband, John."

GATHERING

Prelude

Eventide
Craig Penfield

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Psalm 34:1-4. 6-7)

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

*All: My soul shall make its boast in the Lord;
The humble shall hear of it and be glad.*

Leader: Oh, magnify the Lord with me,
And let us exalt His name together.

*All: I sought the Lord, and He heard me,
And delivered me from all my fears.*

Leader: This poor man cried out, and the Lord heard him,
And saved him out of all his troubles.

*All: The angel of the Lord encamps all around those
who fear Him and delivers them.*

*Opening Hymn # 555 (Blue)

Now Thank We All Our God

Children's Moment

Janis Richards

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 1:8-9)

Leader: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

*All: If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
(Now, take a few moments of honesty before God in silent confession)*

Prayer of Confession (All)

All: Our Father, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the leniency we have shown to ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Lord God, have mercy on us and make us whole. In Jesus Christ, our Savior's name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Colossians 2:13-14)

Leader: When you were dead in your sins and in your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. Hear the good news 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

Robin Kauffman

First Reading: Psalm 92:1-5 (pg.478)

Robin Kauffman

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Habakkuk 3:17-19 (pg.764)

Rev. Rose Sparrow

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Unconditional Thanksgiving”

Rev. Rose Sparrow

RESPONDING

***Affirmation of Faith (All)**

The Nicene Creed

Leader: Brothers and sisters, what do you believe?

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offering Song (Led by the MPC Choir)

Sing to the Lord of Harvest

*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 #551 (Blue)

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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.

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ONLINE GIVING

Visit MediaPresbyterian.org/GiveOnline or scan the QR code to give your tithes & offerings.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Thanksgiving Eve Soup and Service**
 - ◆ On behalf of the MPC Deacons, all are invited to the Thanksgiving Eve Soup and Service this Wednesday, November 22 from 6-8 p.m. in Dale Hale. This special service will also include communion. 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 Youth Ministry-Thanksgiving Pies**

- ◆ If you ordered a pie, please pick it up in Dale Hall, TODAY, after the service. There are several pies available for \$15 if you did not get a chance to pre-order. Come see one of our Youth bakers for availability. The Youth are happy to announce that all funds raised are going to World Central Kitchen. Learn more about this nonprofit organization at wck.org. Thank you for your support!

- **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 come hear the talented musicians of Media Presbyterian Church! Reach out to Lisa (lisa@mediapresbyterian.org) for more information.

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. We will not be meeting Thursday, November 23. 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. Qualified candidates may contact employment@mediapresbyterian.org. See the website or newsletter for more information.\

Elders & Deacons

	<u>ELDERS</u>	
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Sandy Campbell	Jim Gatch	LuAnn Crosby
Art Kalemkarian, Jr.	Julie Havel	Jeanne Cunningham
Cindy McPeak	Jessica Johnson	Mark Gibble
Elizabeth Rohr	Eric MacDonald	Susan Kassab
Robin Smith	Kate Meehan	Eileen McLaughlin
Jo Snead	Paul Tutton	
	John Walton	
<i>Moderator:</i> Reverend Dr. David Cagle	<i>Clerk of Session:</i> Joe Hare	
	<u>DEACONS</u>	
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Elaine Fetterman	Suzanne Beaumont	Jim Archambo
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Karen Gibble	Susan Hare	Michael Kaskey
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Lynne McCone	Robin Kauffman	Sharon Riley
	Jill Lardon	
	Betsy McKeone	
	Pamela Orr	
	Belle Patton	

FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19, 2023

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. Pick up Thanksgiving Pies, Dale Hall

Monday, November 20

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

Tuesday, November 21

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Room 102
- 6:30 p.m. Session Meeting, Room 102

Wednesday, November 22

- Office Closed
- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow
Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#
- 6:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Soup and Service, Dale Hall

Thursday, November 23

Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed

Friday, November 24

Office Closed

Saturday, November 25

- 6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Sunday, November 26

- 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
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service (no BLOC), Sanctuary

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