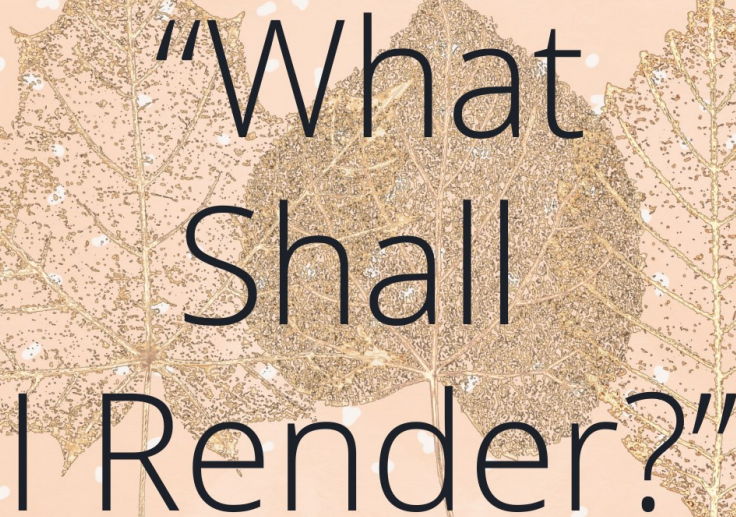


SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023
10:00 A.M. SERVICE



“What
Shall
I Render?”

MEDIA PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

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

Jessica Johnson, Worship Leader

Emily Barth, Organist

The Chancel flowers are donated "in loving memory of Laura" by her parents Howard and Katherine Ohline.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Stewardship

Sandy Campbell, Chair of Finance
1st Stewardship Sunday

Call to Worship (from Psalm 138:1-5)

Leader: I will praise You with my whole heart;

All: *Before the gods I will sing praises to You.*

Leader: I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise
Your name.

All: *For Your lovingkindness and Your truth;*

Leader: For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.

All: *In the day when I cried out, You answered me,*

Leader: And made me bold with strength in my soul.

All: *All the kings of the earth shall praise You, O LORD,*

Leader: When they hear the words of Your mouth.

**All: *Yes, they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, For
great is the glory of the LORD.***

*Opening Worship (Led by Worship Team)

(Music Sheets available)

Better is One Day

Matt Redman

What Shall I Render

James Cleveland and the Triboro Mass Choir

Children's Moment

Jeanne Cunningham

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 (1 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 and our God, as we come to you today, we realize that we have sinned and fallen short of your glory. Throughout Scripture we see how your people have worshipped you on the mountaintops and in the valleys; in their homes and in the temple; in dark prisons and in the streets; through life, and in death. They demonstrated their devotion to you, with singing, dancing, sacrifices and prayer. Yet, we have not given you all of the glory, honor and praise that you so deserve. Please forgive us for being selfish and ungrateful. Renew our spirits and give us pure and clean hearts that we might again worship you. In Jesus' Name Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon (Micah 7:18-19 NKJV)

Leader: Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, because He delights in mercy. He will again have compassion on us, and will subdue our iniquities. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

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

Jessica Johnson

First Reading: Psalm 116:1-11 (pg.491)

Jessica Johnson

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Reading: Psalm 116:12-19 (pg.492)

Rev. Rose Sparrow

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“What Shall I Render?”

Rev. Rose Sparrow

RESPONDING

***Affirmation of Faith (All)**

The Apostle's Creed

Leader: Brothers and sisters, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence He shall come to judge the living 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 life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offering Song (Led by the MPC Choir)

*Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn #555 (Blue)

Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom this world rejoices
Who, from our mothers' arms,
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today

*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 #422 (Blue)**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

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

- **Fall Book Study**
 - ◆ The Spiritual Formation Committee along with the Pastoral staff has chosen for the Fall Book Study “The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism” by Tim Keller. The study will start this week and run until November 12. Stay tuned for days, dates, and times of groups that you may join. For more information contact Rose (rose@mediapresbyterian.org).
- **Free Orchestra Concert**
 - ◆ The Rose Tree Pops Orchestra will be performing a free concert in Dale Hall today at 3:00 p.m., as part of Delco Arts Week 2023. They will present an hour-long program of Pops, Big-Band, Classical and Broadway music, which is sure to be pleasing for audience members of all ages! Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the concert. Please come out to hear The Rose Tree Pops and show support for local music groups from Delaware County.

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.
- **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).

- **Women’s Book Club**
 - ◆ We meet every 4th Monday in Room 102 and via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. Our book for the October 23 meeting is “The Woman They Could Not Silence” by Kate Moore. Contact: Jean Furey (jeanfurey@yahoo.com).
- **MPC Choir**
 - ◆ Join the MPC Choir! Use the gift of singing to bless His people! Practice takes place every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. in the sanctuary. To find out how you can join or for more information, contact Lisa VanHeldorf, Directory of Traditional Music, (lisa@mediapresbyterian.org).
- **Men’s Book Club**
 - ◆ We meet every 4th Thursday in Room 103 and via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. On October 26, we will be discussing “The Reason for God” by Timothy Keller. Contact Joe Haviland (rurahrah@comcast.net).

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.
- **Nursery Person Needed**
 - ◆ We are looking to hire a part-time person to join our nursery worker Amanda Jacobson, Wednesday evenings from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. to care for children ages 4 and younger. Presently, we are looking for a volunteer to help out until the position is filled. There is a PA State Police Background Check and PA Child Abuse Clearances required for anyone who volunteers with children. For all inquiries, please email office@mediapresbyterian.org.

	<u>ELDERS</u>	
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
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Elizabeth Rohr	Eric MacDonald	Susan Kassab
Robin Smith	Kate Meehan	Eileen McLaughlin
Jo Snead	Paul Tutton	
	John Walton	
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	Jill Lardon	
	Betsy McKeone	
	Pamela Orr	
	Belle Patton	

FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 8, 2023

Sunday, October 8

- 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. Worship Service with BLOC, Sanctuary
- 3:00 p.m. Rose Tree Pops Orchestra Concert, Dale Hall

Monday, October 9

- 12:00 p.m. Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom
- 4:45 p.m. Mission Study Team meeting, Room 102
- 7:00 p.m. Kate Meehan's Fall Book Study

Tuesday, October 10

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Room 102
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. LuAnn Crosby's Fall Book Study, Zoom
- 7:30 p.m. Marth Harriz & Lisa VanHeldorf's Fall Book Study, Zoom

Wednesday, October 11

- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow
Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#
- 2:30 p.m. Lima Estates Bible Study, Lima Estates
- 6:30 p.m. Cornerstone Kids Wednesday Nights,
Children's Wing
- 7:00 p.m. Steve Buxton's Fall Book Study

Thursday, October 12

- 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. Faith & Film, Room 103 & Zoom
- 7:00 p.m. Yoga

Friday, October 13

- Office Closed
- 7:00 p.m. Kate Meehan's Fall Book Study

Saturday, October 14

- 6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Sunday, October 15

- 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. Worship Service with BLOC, Sanctuary

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