

Media Presbyterian Church

HE IS

Risen



SUNDAY MARCH 31ST, 2024  
EASTER SUNDAY  
10:00AM SERVICE

# *Welcome*

## **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.

## **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 Dr. David Cagle, Transitional Pastor  
Reverend Rose Sparrow, Parish Associate  
Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music  
Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music  
Emily Barth, Organist  
Paul Tutton, Worship Leader  
City Brass, Brass Quarter

*Today's flowers are dedicated in loving memory  
of Joanna (GJo) McLaughlin.  
Given by Eileen & Brian McLaughlin.*

## **GATHERING**

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<b>Prelude</b>	<b>Welcome, Happy Morning!</b>	Lani Smith
<b>Introit</b>	<b>Christ is Our Cornerstone</b>	David Thorne

Leader: He is Risen!  
All: He is Risen indeed!

**\*Opening Hymn #123 (vv. 1-3) Jesus Christ Is Risen Today**

### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!  
All: **Hosanna! Hosanna!**  
Leader: Celebrate this day of days!  
All: **Hosanna! Hosanna!**  
Leader: Let all creation be amazed!  
All: **Hosanna! Hosanna! Christ is Risen!**

### **\*Easter Prayer**

**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 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

Leader: The joy of this Easter Sunday reminds us of God's resurrecting power. Let us confess all that turns us toward death, so we can know the grace of new life through Christ.

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

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

## Prayer of Confession (*All*)

**Savior God, forgive our life-alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment of others; the way we evaluate and compare. Forgive our death-dealing sins, our habits that demean and degrade, our addiction to violent and destructive behavior. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Leader: "Jesus Christ is risen today. But the pains which he endured, our salvation have procured."

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia. Amen.**

## \*Song of Praise,

**Hymn #123 (v. 4)**

**Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia  
Praise eternal as God's love, Alleluia  
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia**

## \*Sharing the Joy of Our Faith

## Welcome and Announcements

**Minute for Mission**

**Chester Eastside**

**Doug Crosby**

# **EQUIPPING**

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## **THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

Paul Tutton

**Scripture Reading: Mark 16:1-18 (pg. 797-798)**

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

All: Thanks be to God.

**Easter Anthem**

**The Easter Song of Praise**

Richard Shephard

**Sermon**

**"Why Are You Here?"**

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

## **RESPONDING**

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**Hymn #118**

**The Day of Resurrection!**

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

*Book of Common Worship*

**This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

**Invitation to Stewardship**

**Offertory Anthem**  
(With Brass)

**Worthy is the Lamb**

Dan Forrest

## **Doxology**

**\*Hymn #592**

*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 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 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**

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## **\*Closing Hymn #113**

**Christ, The Lord Is Risen Today!**

Robert Williams

## **Charge and Blessing**

**Postlude**

**Jubilation**

James Denton

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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### **Special Guest Speaker**

- ◆ Mission Committee is inviting you to join them on Tuesday, April 2nd, in Room 102 with their special guest speaker, David Powell, from Lifetime Wells International.

### **Guest Preacher - April 28th**

- ◆ Pastor John Clifford, President and Pastor of Greenhouse, will be preaching on April 28th.

## **MPC IS HIRING- See the website for more information**

### **Nursery Staff**

-We are seeking volunteers to help out Wednesday evenings, 6:15-7:45pm through March 17th until April 10th. We will also need volunteers when we start the program back up in the fall. Eventually, we will be looking to hire someone for the position.

-Clearance requirements for this position include, PA State Police Background Check and PA Child Abuse Clearance. Please reach out to the office, ([office@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:office@mediapresbyterian.org)), or Susan Kassab, ([susan.kassab@gmail.com](mailto:susan.kassab@gmail.com)) for more information or questions.

## **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: Pastor Rose Sparrow ([rose@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:rose@mediapresbyterian.org)) or Deacon Sharon Riley ([sriley1347@gmail.com](mailto: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.

- Wednesday Nights kicked off February 21st at 6:30pm in the Children's Wing. Join us each Wednesday for games, crafts, devotion focusing on Proverbs and more.

- Contact Jeanne Cunningham ([fuselloj@gmail.com](mailto: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 Thursdays from 7-8:30pm in the Youth Room.



## **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 3 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 Reverend Rose.

**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. During inclement weather, please call to make sure staff is present before coming to the office.

**\*The office will be closed, tomorrow, April 1st.\***

# FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 31st, 2024

## **Sunday, March 31st**

8:30am Choir Practice, Sanctuary  
8:45am Nursery opens for drop-off  
9:00am Adult Sunday School, Room 102  
9:00am Fellowship Coffee Hour  
9:00am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room  
9:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary  
10:00am Sunday Worship Service (with BLOC), Sanctuary  
11:30am Worship Team, Sanctuary

## **Monday, April 1st**

Office Closed

4:45pm Mission Study Team Mtg., Room 102

## **Tuesday, April 2nd**

6:30pm Property Committee mtg., Room 103

7:00pm Mission Committee mtg., Room 102

## **Wednesday, April 3rd**

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen

10:00am Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow

6:30pm Cornerstone Kids

## **Thursday, April 4th**

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Court Diner, Media

10:00am Women's Bible Study, Rev. Rose, Zoom

12:30pm Intercessory Prayer & Prayer Chain Updates

6:30pm MPC Ringers, Sanctuary

7:00pm Youth Group, Youth Room

7:00pm Yoga

## **Friday, April 5th**

Office Closed

## **Saturday, April 6th**

7:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

## Sunday, April 7th

8:30am	Choir Practice, Sanctuary
8:45am	Nursery opens for drop-off
9:00am	Adult Sunday School, Room 102
9:00am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
9:00am	Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
9:15am	Worship Team, Sanctuary
10:00am	Worship Service (BLOC), Sanctuary
11:30am	Worship Team, Sanctuary

## Lenten Loaves of Love

<b>GIVEN BY:</b>	<b>IN MEMORY OF:</b>
John & Jacque Baker	Our Parents
Chris Blidan	My Family
Robin Caparro	Hal Helfich
Doug & LuAnn Crosby	Our Parents
Jeanne Cunningham	Paula Fusello
Ro D'Angelo	My Son, Anthony Frank D'Angelo
Jean Furey	Alleda Lake
Kim Gilchrist	Grandparents
Chris Hanneman	My Parents, Christian & Lucille Wildermuth
Joe & Sue Hare	Our Parents
Martha Harriz & Ruth Ryder	Harriz & Ryder Family Members
Julie Havel	Phyllis Frey
Joe & Bobbie Haviland	Our Son Joe III, and Our Parents
Anne Helfrich	Our Parents & Harold W Helfrich Jr (Anne's brother)
Beth & Art Kalemkarian	John & Dorothy Sidner, George & Victoria Kalemkarian
Susan Howe & Joseph Consiglio	Our Loved Ones
Christopher & Robin Kauffman	Scott Kauffman & John Woodward
Carol Kelly	Norman Kelly, Jr.
Eric & Scott MacDonald	Lydia & Bill Abel, John & Grace Charles



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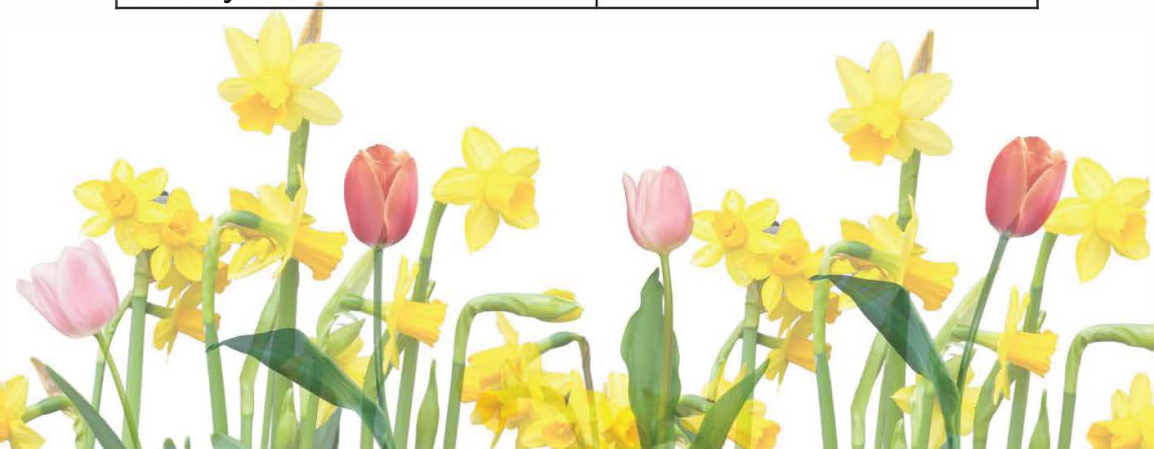
<b>GIVEN BY</b>	<b>IN MEMORY OF</b>
Brian & Eileen McLaughlin	Jack & Joanna McLaughlin, Paul & Jeanne Harkins
Les Newlin	My Dad, Les and Mother, Julie
Grace Nichol	My Parents, William & Mary Nichol & My Brother Robert Nichol
Katherine & Howard Ohline	Laura Ohline
Betsy Podrebarac	My Husband, Frank W. Podrebarac; My brother, Robert S. Fleming, Jr; Robert S. & Marie Fleming; Edward A. & Mildred Podrebarac
David & Janis Richards	Warren & MaryAnn Vosburgh; George W. Richards,III; Richard "Dick" Jensen
Ted & Muriel Seabrook	Loved Ones
Jo & Dale Snead	Carol Martin, Our Sister; Traci Snead, Beloved Daughter
Robert Thomas	Grandmom & Pop Pop Tyson
Judith Wentz	Walter, Betty, Carolyn Wentz
John & Carol Wood	Maureen Wood



# Lenten Loaves of Love

<b>GIVEN BY:</b>	<b>IN HONOR OF:</b>
John & Jacque Baker	Our Children & Grandchildren
Jeanne Cunningham	Charlie's 6th Birthday
Renee & Rich Erickson	Peacemakers
Julie Havel	Rev. Rose Sparrow
David Keath	My Sisters Kathy & Allison
Ann Taylor	Helen & Steve Buxton
Robert Thomas	My Sister Lisa
Beverly Tyler	My Brothers, David & Kevin
John & Carol Wood	Lois Lauer

<b>GIVEN BY:</b>	<b>To The GLORY OF GOD</b>
ANONYMOUS	
Elaine Fetterman	
Carol & Evan Frey	
Kim Gilchrist	
Walt Koenig	
Jill Lardon	
Dave Layton	
Ingeborg Marsh	
Alex Moore	
Hank & Lois Van Zanten	
John & Lynn Walton	



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	Parlor <i>(back of sanctuary)</i>	Ext. 1022
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	Hotline	

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## ONLINE GIVING

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