



HAPPY

Mother's

DAY



Media Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 12th, 2024

10:00A.M. 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

Leading Worship This Morning...

Reverend Rose Sparrow, Parish Associate

Reverend Dr. David Cagle, Transitional Pastor

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music

Emily Barth, Organist

Jessica Johnson, Worship Leader

Today's chancel flowers are dedicated in memory of our mothers, Mary Master & Sophia Van Zanten.

~Lois & Hank Van Zanten

GATHERING

Prelude

Adoration

Florence Price

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Psalms 107:1-2, 8-9, 31-32)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

All: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble.

Leader: Let us thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

All: For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

Leader: Let us thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

All: Let us extol him in the congregation of the people and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

***Opening Worship** (Led by Worship Team) (Song Sheets available)

Our God

Chris Tomlin

Cornerstone

Hillsong Worship

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)

Our Father in heaven, we thank you for the freedom you have given us through the life, death and resurrection of your Son. But we confess today that many times our lives have not reflected the freedom you have given us. Instead of living like you delight in us, we avoid you in shame and guilt. Instead of receiving your favor as a gift, we try to earn it with our efforts. Instead of accepting your freedom, we prefer our chains. Instead of pursuing your purposes, we cling to our short-sighted agendas. Forgive us. Embrace us. Cleanse us. Heal us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. Receive the good news of the Gospel, Amen!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. 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**

EQUIPPING

THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Jessica Johnson

Scripture Reading: 2nd Kings 4:8-17 pg. 292

Jessica Johnson

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Scripture Reading: 2nd Kings 4:18-26 pg. 292

Rev. Rose Sparrow

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: "A Faith Stronger Than Death"

Rev. Rose Sparrow

RESPONDING

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

Scotts Confession of God 1560

We confess and acknowledge one only God, to whom only we must cleave, whom only we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom only we must put our trust; who is eternal, infinite, unmeasurable, 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 in earth, as well as visible as invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable Providence, to such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice has appointed them, to the manifestation of his own glory.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem

(Led by the MPC Choir)

Raise Your Hands

Heather Sorenson

Doxology

***Hymn #106 (v. 4) Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks**

(Refrain) **Alleluia, Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Give praise to his Name.**

**Come, let us praise the living God.
Joyfully sing to our savior.**

(Refrain)

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 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

SENDING

***Closing Hymn #104 Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!**

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Marche

Lefebure-Wely

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ The Session of Media Presbyterian Church has called for a Special Meeting of the Congregation following Worship on Sunday, May 19, 2024, at 11:15 AM in-person and via the Zoom platform. The purpose of the meeting is:
 1. To receive the Mission Study Report which has been approved by Session and the Committee on Ministry for the Presbytery of Philadelphia.
 2. To elect the slate of candidates for the Pastoral Nominating Committee.
 3. To elect the slate of Elders for the Class of 2027 and Class of 2026.
 4. To elect the slate of Deacons for the Class of 2027 and the Class of 2025.
- ◆ Women's Time Apart is coming up on May 18th. The SignUp Genius link is on the website under the events page. Just click on the Women's Time Apart square.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0849A5A82BA2FE3-49520363-womens>

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: Pastor Rose Sparrow (rose@mediapresbyterian.org) or Deacon 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 Jeanne Cunningham (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.

MPC IS HIRING- See the website for more information

◆ Nursery Staff

-We are seeking volunteers to help out in the **FALL** on Wednesday evenings, 6:15-7:45pm.

-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), or Susan Kassab, (susan.kassab@gmail.com) for more information or questions.

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 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.

FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 12th, 2024

Sunday, May 12th

8:30am Choir Practice, Sanctuary
8:45am Nursery opens for drop-off
9:00am Adult Sunday School, Room 102
9:00am Youth Sunday School, Youth Room
9:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary
10:00am Sunday Worship Service (BLOC), Sanctuary
11:00am Spiritual Gifts Celebration, Dale Hall
11:30am Worship Team, Sanctuary

Monday, May 13th

12:00pm Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom
Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#
4:45pm Mission Study Team Meeting, Room 102

Tuesday, May 14th

10:00am Staff Meeting

Wednesday, May 15th

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen
10:00am Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow
2:30pm Lima Estates Bible Study, Lima Estates

Thursday, May 16th

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
2:30pm Fair Acres Building 5
6:30pm MPC Ringers, Sanctuary
7:00pm Youth Group, Youth Room
7:00pm Yoga

Friday, May 17th

Office Closed

Saturday, May 18th

9:00am Women's Time Apart
7:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

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| 11:30am | Worship Team, Sanctuary |
| 12:00pm | Crafting Event, Dale Hall |

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| | Main Kitchen | Ext. 1021 |
| | 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.

