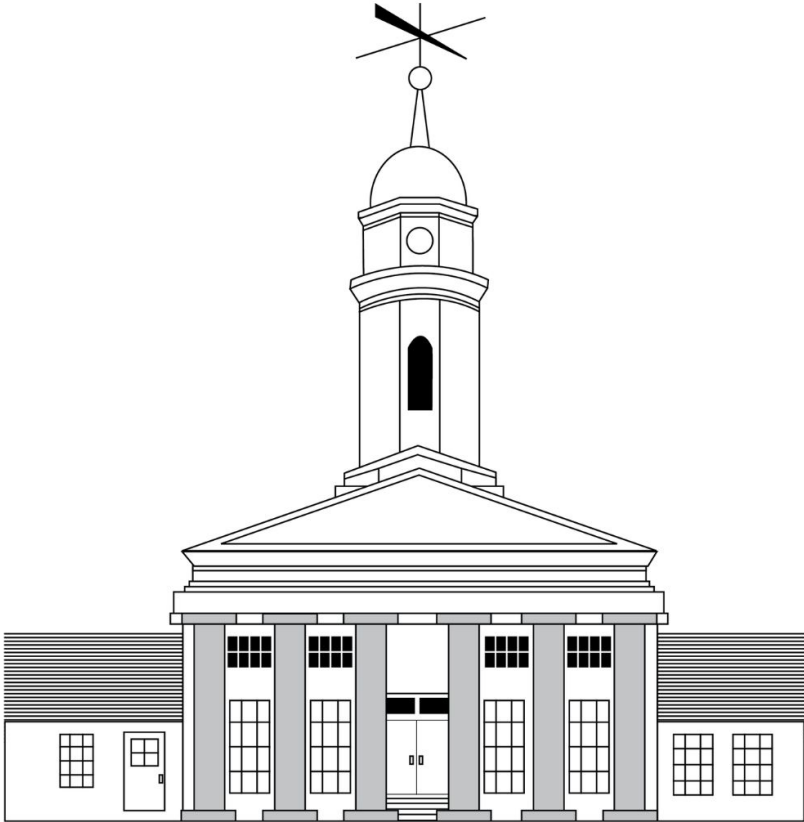


Media Presbyterian Church



“Reflections of Light”

Worship. Grow. Serve.
Together

Sunday, October 12th, 2025

Welcome

MPC'S MISSION

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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...

John Clifford, Guest Preacher

Rev. Doug Forsberg, Senior Pastor

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music

Emily Barth, Organist

Sue Hare, Worship Leader

*Today's chancel flowers are given
in honor of our daughter Laura.
~ Howard & Katherine Ohline*

GATHERING

Prelude *Meditation on "The Lord's My Shepherd"* Mary McDonald

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Doug Forsberg

Minute for Mission Stewardship

Call to Worship (Psalm 27)

Leader: The LORD is my light and my salvation-- whom shall I fear?

People: **The LORD is the stronghold of my life-- of whom shall I be afraid?**

Leader: Hear my voice when I call, O LORD; be merciful to me and answer me.

People: **My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, LORD, I will seek. Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, O God my Savior.**

Leader: Teach me your way, O LORD; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.

People: **I am still confident of this: I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.**

All: **Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.**

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

Build Your Kingdom

Gareth Gilkeson, Chris Llewellyn,
& William Herron

Living Hope

Phil Wickham

Prayer of Confession (A/I)

Merciful Father, when things don't go our way, we grumble, and when things get tough, we complain. Often, we don't even hear ourselves, and we certainly don't dwell on the fact our grumbling and complaining are directed toward you. Like your people of old, we're consumed by self-interest. Forgive us our lack of contentment. Help us to look to Jesus who endured all things and is the light of the world. We ask this in his name. Amen.

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

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.**

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

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.**

EQUIPPING

THE WORD

Scripture Reading: John 2:12-17 pg. 863

Sermon:

"Reflections of Light"

John Clifford

RESPONDING

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

Heidelberg Catechism

Q & A #29

Leader: Why is the Son of God called *Jesus*, meaning *savior*?

All: **Because he saves us from our sins, and because salvation should not be sought and cannot be found in anyone else.**

Q & A #31

Leader: Why is he called *Christ*, meaning *anointed*?

All: **Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance; our only high priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.**

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

***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 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 #138**

(Blue)

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Festive Voluntary

Robert Lau

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

◆ Fellowship, Prayer, & Book Study

Everyone is welcome to join us on Mondays (starting September 8th) at 12pm on Zoom for *Fellowship, Prayer, and a Book Study*. This fall, we will be reading *Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life* by Tish Warren. For more information, please contact Janis Richards at janis_richards@yahoo.com.

◆ Installation Service

The Presbytery of Philadelphia and the Session and Congregation of Media Presbyterian Church joyfully request the honor of your presence at the *Service of Installation of Rev. Doug Forsberg as Senior Pastor* at Media Presbyterian Church on October 19th, 2025 at 4:00pm. A reception will follow in Dale Hall.

About Greenhouse Project:

"Greenhouse Project launched to help radically transform lives by the gospel in an area known for staggering crime rates, drug abuse, extreme poverty, and one of the state's worst school districts – Chester, PA. What started out as a dream with lots of prayer grew into a reality of shared vision, partnership, and support in a modest home church setting."

You can read more about Greenhouse Project on their website ghproject.org

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).

◆ **Adult Christian Education (Wednesday Nights)**

- New class beginning Wednesday, September 17 at 7:00 PM titled, "Understanding the Parables of Jesus". You can join from the comfort of your own home! Streaming on ZOOM using the link posted on StayConnected.

- This course will be led by Steve Buxton (sbuxton320@comcast.net)

◆ **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 OCTOBER 12th, 2025

Sunday, Oct 12th

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),
11:15am Sanctuary Worship Team, Sanctuary
7:00pm Youth cmt. mtg., RM 102

Monday, Oct 13th

12:00pm Prayer & Devotion, Zoom

Tuesday, Oct 14th

10:00am Staff mtg., RM 102
7:00pm Finance cmt. mtg., Zoom

Wednesday, Oct 15th

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen
11:00am Prayer Warriors, Call 605-313-5637,
Code 2707235#
6:30pm Weds. Night Kids Club
6:30pm MOYC, RM 103
7:00pm Admin cmt. mtg., Zoom

Thursday, Oct 16th

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Court Diner, Media
10:00am Women's Bible Study, Zoom
6:30pm MPC Bells, Sanctuary
7:00pm Yoga
7:00pm Youth Group, Youth Room

Friday, Oct 17th

Office Closed

Saturday, Oct 18th

6:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

Sunday, Oct 19th

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

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