



SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2023

10:00 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE



"Storm
Stories"



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 Rose Sparrow, Parish Associate

Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music

Andria Kaskey, Director of Children's Ministry

Steve Buxton, Worship Leader

Stan Orr, Organist

The Chancel flowers are donated anonymously.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Psalm 4:1-2 & 8)

Leader: Answer me when I call to you,

All: *O my righteous God.*

Leader: Give me relief from my distress;

All: *Be merciful to me and hear my prayer*

Leader: I will lie down and sleep in peace

All: *For you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.*

*Opening Hymn #288 (Blue)

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Children's Moment

Sandi Gatch

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.”

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)

**please stand in body or in spirit*

Prayer of Confession (*All*)

Lord, though you should guide us, we inform ourselves; though you should rule us, we control ourselves; though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. We think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power too remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Now heal our confused minds with your word, heal our divided wills with your law, heal our troubled consciences with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave Himself for us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (From Psalm 103:8-12)

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.

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

Steve Buxton

First Reading: Isiah 43:1-5a (pg.585) & Mark 4:35-41 (pg.816)

Steve Buxton

Second Reading: Acts 27:21-26 (pg.912)

Reverend Rose Sparrow

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Storm Stories”

Reverend Rose Sparrow

RESPONDING

*Affirmation of Faith

The Scott's Confession of God-Chapter 1

All: *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 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. Amen.*

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offering Song

For the Beauty of the Earth

John Rutter

MPC Choir

*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

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 #561 (Blue)

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

GENERAL INFORMATION

Restrooms -A restroom is located in the parlor in 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 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Sunday School -Adults meet at 9:00 a.m. in Room 102. Youth and Children's Sunday School is off for the summer and will resume in the fall.

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 - Friday, 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.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Like and follow us on Facebook (Media Presbyterian Church) & Instagram (@mediapresby).

ONLINE GIVING

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



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Please take the time to complete the MPC Worship Survey. This information will help the Session as we consider the possibilities for our fall worship and Sunday school schedule. If you have any questions, or need technical help completing the survey, please email Eric MacDonald at ecmacd@gmail.com. You can access the survey at: <https://bit.ly/MPCWorship2023> or scan the QR code. If you prefer a paper copy, those will be available in the back of the sanctuary.
- VBS-STELLAR is happening here at MPC July 31 through August 4 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Registration is required and can be done through the Newsletter or on our website. Contact: Andria Kaskey (andria@mediapresbyterian.org) for more information.
- Long-time member Philip Spencer passed away on June 10, 2023. His Memorial Service will be held at MPC on Friday, July 21, 2023 starting with the calling hour at 10:00 a.m., a service at 11:00 a.m., followed by a reception in Dale Hall.
- We are updating our Digital Picture Directory. If a picture of you and your family is not in our digital directory, if your picture is out of date, or if you are not sure if your picture is in there or what it looks like, see Sue Hare before or after worship or contact her (susanmlowry@hotmail.com).



ONGOING MINISTRIES

- **Cornerstone Kids Children's Ministry**
 - ◆ Building Lives on Christ (BLOC) is available most Sundays for children going into 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. No Bloc today!
 - ◆ Every 3rd Saturday join Cornerstone Kids at 10:00 a.m. for a hike near Media. Our next hike will be July 15 at Indian Orchard Trail in Indian Orchard Park.
 - ◆ Join our email list for weekly schedule updates and summer activity information.
Contact Andria Kaskey (andria@mediapresbyterian.org)
- **MPC Youth Ministry**
 - ◆ The Youth are having an Ice Cream Sundae Bar Thursday, July 13 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the Youth Room.
Contact: Sebastian (sebastian@mediapresbyterian.org).

- **Men's Book Club**
 - ◆ July 27 and every 4th Thursday in Room 103 and via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. Contact Joe Haviland (rurahrah@comcast.net.)
- **Bible Study-The Gospel of Matthew**
 - ◆ Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Room 102 and Zoom. Contact: Steve Buxton (sbuxton320@comcast.net) for more information.
- **Women's Book Club**
 - ◆ We meet every 4th Monday in Room 102 and via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. Contact: Jean Furey (jeanfurey@yahoo.com). We are not meeting in July, see you on August 28.
- **MOYC (Mothers of Young Children)**
 - ◆ We will be meeting weekly every Wednesday through July 26 and studying the book "Seamless" by Angie Smith. Contact Jeanne Cunningham (fuselloj@gmail.com) for more information.
- **Faith & Film**
 - ◆ Every 2nd Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in Room 103 or Zoom join us for film conversations. Our next meeting is July 13 when we will be discussing the movie, "The Matrix". Contact: Steve Beckley (strybeck242@gmail.com).
- **Spiritual Formation Committee: Pick Up The Sword This Year**
 - ◆ The Spiritual Formation Committee invites you to participate in their 52-Week Bible Reading Plan for 2023! The entire plan can be found in the newsletter or on our website.
- **Lima Estates Bible Study**
 - ◆ All residents of Lima Estates can join Reverend Rose Sparrow for a Bible Study on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Email Reverend Rose (rose@mediapresbyterian.org) for more information.
- **Intercessory Prayer and Prayer Chain Updates**
 - ◆ Calling all Prayer Warriors! Join us for prayer on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. and Thursdays from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Call 425-436-6394, and use code 338523#. To submit prayer requests or updates, email Reverend Rose (rose@mediapresbyterian.org).

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

- **Media Food Bank**
 - ◆ Donate food items from current list in newsletter or website. Drop off in the designated bins around the church.
 - ◆ Deliver items from MPC to Media Food Bank. Use the Sign-Up Genius in the newsletter or website.
 - ◆ Buy fresh produce from Produce Junction & deliver it to the Media Food Bank. You will be reimbursed up to \$125 by MPC. Use the Sign-Up Genius to volunteer.
 - ◆ Donations have decreased and the Food Bank has immediate needs. See the newsletter or website for the list.
Contact: Brian McLaughlin (brianmclaughlin363@gmail.com).

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

- **Financial Information**

Financial updates will be posted once a month for the previous month. Please see the newsletter for more details.

Financial Update for June 2023 & Year To Date Totals:

	Month As Of 6/30/2023	YTD Total for 2023	Giving Needed YTD	2023 Budget
Receipts:	\$49,574	\$376,284	\$417,308	\$868,000
Expenditures:	\$56,596	\$406,927		\$868,000
Receipts minus Expenses	<u>\$(7,022)</u>	<u>\$(30,643)</u>		

Thank you so much for your continued support of our
ministry at Media Presbyterian Church

Deacons Fund:

Beginning

balance in 2023 \$17,103

+ Received YTD \$4,514

- Spending for

Benevolence -\$6,586

Total balance to date \$15,031

FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 2, 2023

Sunday, July 2

- 8:30 a.m. Choir practice, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Room 102 & Zoom
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (No BLOC), Sanctuary

Monday, July 3

- 12:00 p.m. Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom

Tuesday, July 4

Happy Fourth of July! Office Closed

Wednesday, July 5

- 9:00 a.m. Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen
- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose,
Call 425-436-6394, Code338523#
- 6:00 p.m. MOYC
- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study on Matthew, Room 102 & Zoom

Thursday, July 6

- 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. Yoga, Dale Hall

Friday, July 7

No Activities Scheduled

Saturday, July 8

- 6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Sunday, July 9

- 8:30 a.m. Choir practice, Sanctuary
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School, Room 102 & Zoom
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service with BLOC, Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Refreshments on the Lawn, sponsored by
Tom & Lynne McCone and in celebration of
Virginia Boyd's 75th birthday!

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