



PALM  
SUNDAY  
SERVICE

**Sunday, April 13th, 2025**

**10:00am Service**

**"Discerning the Kingdoms"**

**Media Presbyterian Church**

# Welcome

## **MPC'S MISSION**

Worship. Grow. Serve.  
Together

## **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  
Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music  
Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music  
Emily Barth, Organist  
Suzanne Beaumont, Worship Leader

*Today's chancel flowers are dedicated in  
memory of my mom, Olga Fleischer.*

*~Cornelia Vieira*

## GATHERING

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### Prelude

*All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

Emma Lou Diemer

### Introit

### Children's Procession

*Hosanna*

Carl Tuttle

### Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship (Psalm 118)

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

**All: God's steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected

**All: Has become the chief cornerstone.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

**All: We bless you in the house of the Lord!**

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**All: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;

**All: God's steadfast love endures forever! Let us worship God.**

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

*God So Loved*

We The Kingdom

### 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.**

### Call to Confession

Leader: We cannot escape the sin and brokenness in our world or in our hearts. But in Jesus Christ, God comes and meets us in our brokenness and makes us whole again.

**All: Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin together.**

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

*\*Please stand in body or in spirit*

## **Prayer of Confession (All)**

**Have mercy on us, O God, for we are broken vessels. You call us to follow you, but we deny, abandon and betray. You call us to pursue justice and righteousness, but we stick to the status quo. You invite us into the hope of your Spirit, but we make despair our daily bread. You lead us to the cross, but in our discomfort, we try to skip to the empty tomb. Transform us, O God. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon all our brokenness, that your grace may fill in the cracks of our broken places and make us whole. Amen.**

**Lenten Response #82 (Blue)**      *Oh Lamb Of God Most Holy!*

**(All)**      **Oh Lamb of God most Holy  
Who on the cross did suffer  
And patient still and lowly,  
Yourself to scorn did offer:  
Our sins by You were taken,  
Or hope had us forsaken.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus!**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**Hymn #85 (Blue)**      *What Wondrous Love Is This*

**Leader:**      *What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul?*

Hear the Good News! If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Friends, hear, believe, and live in the reality of the Good News:

**All:      In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**\*Song of Praise**      *Glory Be to the Father*

**Hymn #579**      *Gloria Patri*

**(Blue)**      **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**

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### **THE WORD**

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

Suzanne Beaumont

**Scripture Reading: Luke 19:28-40 pg. 854**

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Sermon: "Discerning the Kingdoms"**

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

## **RESPONDING**

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### **\*Affirmation of Faith**

*Philippians 2:5-11*

**We trust in God, the source of all hope, even as we call on God to meet us in places of hopelessness. We commit to be disciples of Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself and was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the father.**

**Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People**

#### **Invitation to Stewardship**

#### **Offertory Anthem**

*The Palms*

(MPC Choir)

#### **\*Doxology**

*OLD HUNDRETH*

**Hymn #592**

**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 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**

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## **SENDING**

**\*Closing Hymn #88** (Blue) *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*

### **Charge and Blessing**

### **Postlude**

*Hosanna, Loud Hosanna*

J. Wayne Kerr

## **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 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 us at [Office@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:Office@mediapresbyterian.org)

**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.

## **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: 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.

- 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 Thursday from 7-8:30pm in the Youth Room.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

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◆ **Holy Week**

Our upcoming services include Maundy Thursday, April 17th at 7pm, Good Friday, April 18th at 7pm, and Easter Sunday, April 20th at 10am.

◆ **175th Anniversary Celebration**

The **175th Anniversary Celebration** of Media Presbyterian Church will be held on Sunday, May 18th. We will be hosting a special service, remembrances of the past and sharing our hopes for the future. A catered meal will occur after the service in Dale Hall. The Sign-Up Genius for the meal is now available. It can be found on the church website and on StayConnected. On the bulletin board in the hallway by the kitchen, there is also a sign-up sheet. To help cover the food costs, we are requesting all who are able, to contribute \$10/adult and \$5/child, payable by check, cash, or online. If cost is a concern, let Rev. Cagle know; we would like everyone to be able to attend. **Please sign up by May 4th so we can get a headcount.** Drinks and some desserts are also desired. Help will be needed for set-up and clean-up. Also, a general fund for the celebration has been established to help defray any associated costs of the celebration. Please indicate “175th Celebration” on all donations. We hope to have a joyous day of celebrating our past and embracing our future!

◆ **175th ANNIVERSARY MEMORY BOOK**

The updated version of the history of MPC will be available in a commemorative booklet. If you are a recent member, this chronology will be an invaluable resource in learning about the historical significance of MPC, not only to our congregation, but to the community at large. For long-time members, it will be a reminder of friends and fond memories. The cost for a hard copy will be \$10. To reserve your booklet, please fill out the form below, drop it in the offering plate, or send it to the church office. Payment is due upon receipt of the booklet. An on-line version will also be available at no charge.

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I wish to reserve a 175th Anniversary Booklet (\$10):

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Booklets: \_\_\_\_\_



# LENTEN LOAVES OF LOVE

**LENTEN LOAVES OF LOVE** is 22 years old! Since 2003, MPC has provided well over \$50,000 via LLL to show our love for God and for our neighbors during this reflective season that culminates in the triumph and joy of the Resurrection. Once again, this year, our gifts to *Lenten Loaves of Love* will enable us not only to beautify our sanctuary with flowers but also to share our love in a concrete way.

**During Lent 2025, we are supporting two new ministries in response to the devastation of the Southern California wildfires:**

## Cal Fire Benevolent Foundation

The Foundation provides financial assistance for the public good, by participating with burn centers and providing disaster relief throughout the state of California to relieve the burden on families. The money raised goes directly to assist firefighters, their families, those that support firefighters, and to assist burn victims.

[www.calfires.foundation](http://www.calfires.foundation)

## World Central Kitchen

WCK is the first to the frontlines, providing fresh meals in response to humanitarian, climate & community crises. Food is essential to life every single day, all over the world—and it is more important than ever in a crisis. Not only is a thoughtful, freshly prepared meal one less thing someone has to worry about in the wake of a disaster, it is a reminder that you are not alone, someone is thinking about you, and someone cares. Food has the power to be the nourishment and hope we need to pick ourselves back up in the darkest times. WCK is currently working in Southern California providing meals and support to those displaced by the fires and the First Responders fighting the fires. [www.wck.org](http://www.wck.org)

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*In addition to these special Mission/ Ministry opportunities, your contribution to Lenten Loaves of Love enables us to provide tulips and daffodils to make our sanctuary beautiful for Easter and to send cheer to our shut-ins after the service. If you would like to reserve flowers to take home after the worship service on Easter, please make a note on the dedication form below when you make your contribution to LLL. After we pay for the flowers, all other contributions will be divided evenly between our designated ministries.*

Each \$10.00 gift provides a single Lenten Loaf of Love. There is no limit to how many Loaves you may give! **Gifts received by Sunday, April 13, will be guaranteed acknowledgment in the Easter Sunday bulletin.** Fill out the information below and enclose it with your gift in the LLL envelope found in the pews and place the envelope in the offering plate.

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 I/we donate \$10.00 for each Lenten Loaf of Love

Total gift \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (make checks payable to MPC)

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tulips \_\_\_\_ Daffodils \_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

I/we would like to take a flower (s) home How many? \_\_\_\_\_

# FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 13th, 2025

## Sunday, Apr 13th

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  
11:30am Confirmation Class, Youth Room  
11:30am Worship Team, Sanctuary

## Monday, Apr 14th

12:00pm Prayer & Devotion, Zoom  
7:00pm Finance cmt. mtg., Room 102

## Tuesday, Apr 15th

10:00am Staff meeting, Room 102  
6:30pm Session mtg., Room 102 & Zoom

## Wednesday, Apr 16th

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen  
10:00am Prayer Warriors,  
Call 605-313-5637, Code 2707235#  
6:30pm Cornerstone Kids  
7:00pm Admin cmt. mtg., Zoom

## Thursday, Apr 17th

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Court Diner, Media  
10:00am Women's Bible Study, Zoom  
7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service, Sanctuary

## Friday, Apr 18th

Office Closed

## Saturday, Apr 19th

7:00pm Good Friday Service, Sanctuary  
7:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

## Sunday, Apr 20th

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

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|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Transitional Pastor                        | Reverend<br>Dr. David Cagle          | David@mediapresbyterian.org Ext.1001   |
| Interim Business<br>Administrator          | Sandy Campbell                       | Sandyc@mediapresbyterian.org Ext. 1006 |
| Director of Children<br>& Youth Ministries | Ty Harvey                            | Ty@mediapresbyterian.org Ext. 1003     |
| Facilities Manager                         | Scott MacDonald                      | Scott@mediapresbyterian.org Ext.1008   |
| Director of<br>Traditional Music           | Lisa VanHeldorf                      | Lisa@mediapresbyterian.org             |
| Director of<br>Contemporary Music          | Andrew Behringer                     | Andrew@mediapresbyterian.org           |
| Organist                                   | Emily Barth                          | Emily@mediapresbyterian.org            |
| Church<br>Administrator                    | Camryn Gavula                        | Camryn@mediapresbyterian.org Ext.1005  |
|                                            | Main Kitchen                         | Ext. 1021                              |
|                                            | Parlor<br><i>(Back of Sanctuary)</i> | Ext. 1022                              |
|                                            | Nursery                              | Ext. 1023                              |
|                                            | Benevolence Hotline                  | Ext. 2000                              |

## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

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## **ONLINE GIVING**

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