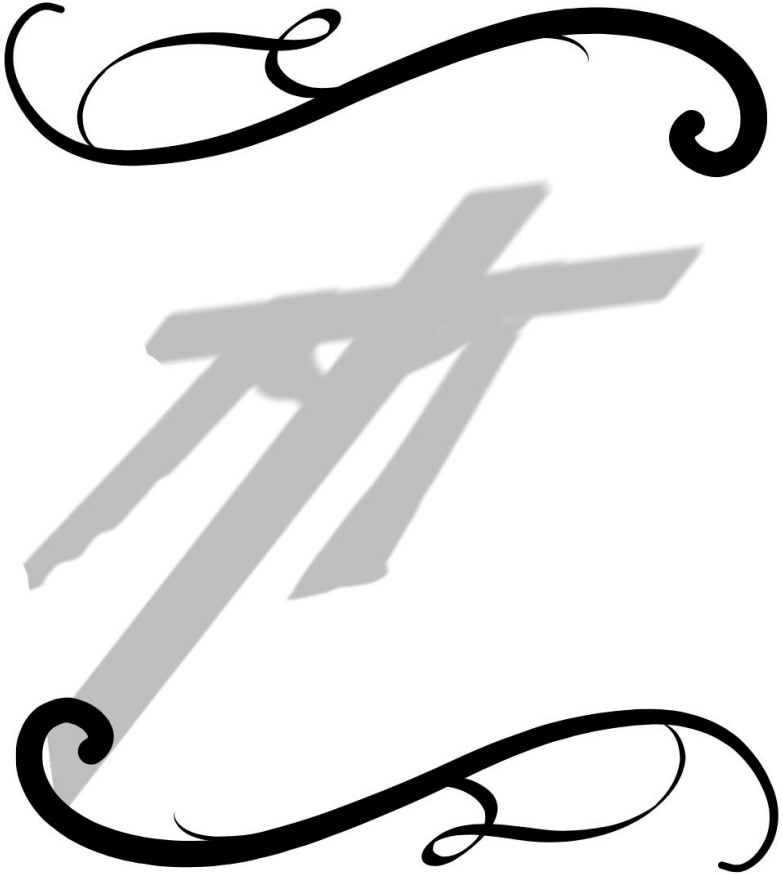


**Sunday September 1st, 2024**



**MEDIA**

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**10:00am Service**

# 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...*

Eric MacDonald, Preaching

Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music

Emily Barth, Organist

Dee Casner, Worship Leader

*Today's chancel flowers are dedicated to our daughter, Cameryn, who is celebrating her 30th birthday this weekend.*

*~ Janis & Dave Richards*

*Please join us in celebrating Ed & Lori Ardis, who are celebrating their 68th anniversary today.*

## GATHERING

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**Prelude**

Voluntary on "Beach Spring"

Jason Krug

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship** (Proverbs 3:1-8)

Leader: My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart,

**All: For they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity.**

Leader: Let love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart.

**All: Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.**

Leader: Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.

**All: In all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.**

Leader: Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil.

**All: This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.**

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

**10,000 Reasons**

Jonas Myrin & Matt Redman

**Holy Spirit**

Bryan & Katie Torwalt

**Call to Confession** (I John 1:8-9)

Leader: If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

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

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

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

## **Assurance of Pardon** (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.

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

## **\*Song of Praise,**

### **Hymn #579**

### **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**

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#### **THE WORD**

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

Dee Casner

#### **Scripture Reading: Zechariah 4:6 pg. 770**

Dee Casner

**Leader:** This is the word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

#### **Scripture Reading II: Romans 8:26-39 pg. 919**

Eric MacDonald

**Leader:** This is the word of the Lord.

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# Sermon: "Let's Put Down The Oars and Go With The Wind"

Eric MacDonald

## \*Hymn #91

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

(Red)

### RESPONDING

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

Leader: What is the mission God has called us to at Media Presbyterian Church?

**All: To be a welcoming Christian fellowship of all ages and walks to life, igniting a passion for God through worship, striving to grow as faithful disciples of Christ, being inspired by the Spirit to love and serve others.**

Leader: What is our vision as a people of God?

**All: Our church will be a Spirit-filled community that invites God to work powerfully among us as we worship, grow, and serve together. As a sanctuary of grace, we welcome all who enter to experience the love of Jesus Christ. United in the essentials of our shared faith, we are committed to growing deeper in relationship with God and one another. We are especially devoted to nurturing the faith of the next generation, helping them become compassionate disciples who share God's love. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we aim to be a radiant light in today's world, sharing the good news of God's mercy and grace in word and deed.**

## Prayers of the People

### Invitation to Stewardship

#### Offertory Anthem

Rest On Us

Led by MPC Worship Team

### 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

### SENDING

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**\*Closing Hymn**

Rest On Us

### Charge and Blessing

**Postlude**

Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

Douglas Wagner

### 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 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.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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- ◆ **Come to Worship on Sunday, September 8th, MPC's Rally Day!**
  - Children & Youth Sunday School begins.
  - Ordination & Installation of New Officers.
  - Blessing of the Backpacks & Briefcases.
  - Re-commitment of the church to active involvement in ministry.

## **ONGOING MINISTRIES**

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Parents of college students,

If you would like your college students to receive cards and notes from our deacons please contact [jeanfurey@yahoo.com](mailto:jeanfurey@yahoo.com) with your child's college address and a list of any food allergies. Thank you!

- ◆ **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.
  - Contact Jeanne Cunningham ([fuselloj@gmail.com](mailto:fuselloj@gmail.com)) for more information.

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

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- ◆ **Director of Children, Youth, & Family Ministries**
  - Education: Bachelor's degree with focus in Christian Education is preferred. Demonstrated work experience in lieu of degree will be considered.

# FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1st, 2024

## **Sunday, Sept 1st**

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

## **Monday, Sept 2nd**

Office Closed

## **Tuesday, Sept 3rd**

6:30pm Mission cmt. mtg., Room 102  
6:30pm Property cmt. mtg., Room 103 & Zoom

## **Wednesday, Sept 4th**

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen  
10:00am Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow  
Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#

## **Thursday, Sept 5th**

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  
7:00pm Yoga

## **Friday, Sept 6th**

Office Closed

## **Saturday, Sept 7th**

7:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

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Facilities Manager	Scott MacDonald	Scott@mediapresbyterian.org Ext. 1008
Director of Traditional Music	Lisa VanHeldorf	Lisa@mediapresbyterian.org
Organist	Emily Barth	Emily@mediapresbyterian.org
Director of Contemporary Music	Andrew Behringer	Andrew@mediapresbyterian.org
	Main Kitchen	Ext. 1021
	Parlor <i>(back of sanctuary)</i>	Ext. 1022
	Nursery	Ext. 1023
	Benevolence Hotline	Ext. 2000

## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

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Sign up to receive our weekly digital newsletter by going to our website or by emailing [camryn@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:camryn@mediapresbyterian.org)

## **ONLINE GIVING**

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Visit [MediaPresbyterian.org/GiveOnline](http://MediaPresbyterian.org/GiveOnline) or scan the QR code to give your tithes.

