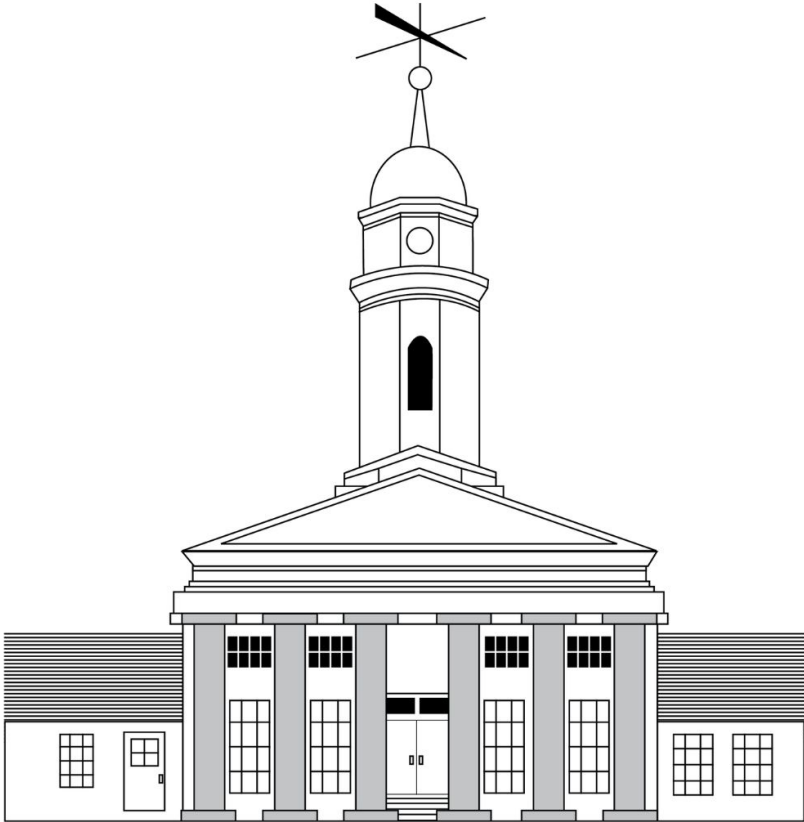


Media Presbyterian Church



**“Bearers of the Kingdom:
Living Like It”**

Worship. Grow. Serve.
Together

Sunday, October 19th, 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...

Rev. Doug Forsberg, Senior Pastor
Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music
Andrew Behringer, Director of Contemporary Music
Emily Barth, Organist
Susan Kassab, Worship Leader

*Today's chancel flowers are given in
memory of our parents and in celebration
of our 40th wedding anniversary.*

~ Joe & Sue Hare

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 112)

Leader: Praise the LORD. Blessed are those who fear the LORD, who find great delight in his commands.

People: **Their children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

Leader: Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for gracious and compassionate and righteous ones.

People: **Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice.**

All: **Surely, they will never be shaken; the righteous will be remembered forever. They will have no fear of bad news; their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the LORD.**

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

My Lighthouse

Chris Brown, Steven Furtick, &
Wade Joyce

Light of the World (Sing Hallelujah)

Andrew Berthold, Ed Cash, Franni
Cash, Martin Cash, & Scott Cash

Prayer of Confession (All)

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we admit our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Hear us as we confess our sin to you in the quiet of our hearts . . .

[silent confession]

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

Assurance of Pardon

***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.**

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Children's Moment

Jeanne Cunningham

Blessing of the Children (A//)

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: Ephesians 5:8-16 pg. 951

Sermon: "Bearers of the Light: Living Like It"

Rev. Doug Forsberg

RESPONDING

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

A Brief Statement of Faith

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem

Look to the Day

John Rutter

*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

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 #391** *Take My Life*
(Blue)

Charge and Blessing

Postlude *Postlude in Thirds* Matthew McConnell

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

◆ 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.

◆ MPC Thursday 7:00 pm Yoga Class

MPC Thursday Hatha Yoga has a few spots available and maybe one of them is meant for you! The November /December session begins November 3rd and meets every Thursday at 7:00pm downstairs in the Children's Sunday School Wing except Thanksgiving and Christmas. Price for the six classes is \$30. This is an all-levels class, beginners welcome.

◆ Faith & Film Club

FAITH & FILM CLUB will meet next on Thursday, November 13, 2025. The next assignment is to watch the 1986 film "Saving Grace," directed by Robert M. Young, and starring Tom Conti and Edward James Olmos. Conti plays a fictional pope who feels detached from ordinary people. He is accidentally locked out of the Vatican and, with his identity concealed, sets out to serve an impoverished village. (Watch out for other movies with the same title - there are a few!)

Please email Steve Beckley at strybeck242@gmail.com to request an invitation to the Zoom conference or for any questions.

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 19th, 2025

Sunday, Oct 19th

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), Sanctuary
11:15am Worship Team, Sanctuary
4:00pm Installation Service, Sanctuary

Monday, Oct 20th

12:00pm Prayer & Devotion, Zoom

Tuesday, Oct 21st

10:00am Staff mtg., RM 102
7:00pm Session mtg., Hybrid

Wednesday, Oct 22nd

9:00am Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen
11:00am Prayer Warriors, Call 605-313-5637,
Code 2707235#
2:30pm Bible Study, Lima Estates
6:30pm Weds. Night Kids Club
6:30pm MOYC, RM 103

Thursday, Oct 23rd

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Court Diner, Media
10:00am Women's Bible Study, Zoom
6:30pm MPC Bells, Sanctuary
7:00pm Men's Book Club, RM 103
7:00pm Yoga
7:00pm Youth Group, Youth Room

Friday, Oct 24th

Office Closed

Saturday, Oct 25th

6:00pm NA Meeting, Dale Hall

Sunday, Oct 26th

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
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