# SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024 10:00 A.M. SERVICE







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# 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.



## VISITING TODAY?

If this is your first time worshipping with us, we hope you will feel welcome. If you have guestions, 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 Dr. David Cagle, Transitional Pastor Reverend Rose Sparrow, Parish Associate Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music Emily Barth, Organist Sue Hare, Worship Leader

The Chancel flowers are donated by Telene Derbabian, in memory of Tacque Derbabian.

#### GATHERING

Prelude

Andantino

Elgar

#### Welcome and Announcements

Minute for Mission

Deacons' Fund, Kim Gilchrist

#### Call to Worship (from Psalm 111)

Leader:	Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.		
<i>All:</i>	Great are your works, O Lord,		
	pondered by all who delight in them.		
Leader:	Majesty and splendor mark your deeds,		
	and your righteousness endures forever.		
<i>A11:</i>	You cause your wonders to be remembered;		
	you are gracious and full of compassion.		

\*Opening Worship (Led by Worship Team)

(Music Sheets available)

*Holy Spirit* Bryan & Katie Torwalt *Our God* Chris Tomlin

#### **Children's Moment**

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

#### 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: Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way. But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully to Christ's invitation. Let us seek God's forgiveness so that we may know more deeply the joy God intends.

All: Let us confess our sins before God.

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

## Prayer of Confession (All)

All: Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would have us be. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon

- Leader: Relentlessly God seeks us out with abundant grace and boundless mercy. This is good news!
  - 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

### THE WORD

## **Prayer for Illumination**

Sermon Reading: Mark 1:21-28 (pg.812)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. *All: Thanks be to God.* 

Sermon "Who is Jesus, And Why Should We Care?"

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

#### RESPONDING

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

From Colossians 1:15-20

Leader: Brothers and sisters, what do you believe?

All: Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible.
All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Jesus Christ is head of the body, the church; He is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

## Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Anthem (Led by the MPC Choir) Cantique de Jean Racine Sue Hare

Rev. Dr. David Cagle

## \*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

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 #423 (Blue) Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

**Charge and Blessing** 

\*Postlude

Postlude

Batiste

#### **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 3 years old during our 9:00 a.m. Sunday School hour and the 10:00 a.m. worship service. **Sunday School** -Adults meet at 9:00 a.m. 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** are Monday - Thursday, 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).

## ONLINE GIVING

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



#### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### • What Do We Think as a Congregation?

• The Mission Study Team has been analyzing the results of our fall survey and we want to share the results with the congregation.

#### Sunday, January 28

Immediately following our worship service that morning, come learn what we as a congregation said about various aspects of our life together as one part of the family of God! We will present the findings and have plenty of time for questions. We will also preview the small group discussions that are the final phase of our mission study process.

"For surely I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord, "plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." Jeremiah 29:11

#### • Show Your Love Throughout February

 Throughout February, Deacons are collecting school supplies for the 2nd semester of the year to support Teachers' Teammates. This organization offers supplies to teachers who work in districts serving predominantly lower-income populations in public, charter, and parochial schools. With a small membership fee, teachers can order a wealth of necessary supplies for their students. By this time of the year, supplies are drying up! Please help us by providing2-pocket folders, crayons, glue sticks, single-subject notebooks, filler paper, and washable markers, which can be dropped off in bins found around the church. Sunday, February 25, will be the last day to drop off supplies. To find out more about this organization, see teachersteammates.org. For questions, please contact Belle Patton (mbepatton@comcast.net ). Thank you!

#### • Ash Wednesday Service, February 14, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

 This year Ash Wednesday will be a major event in the Life of Media Presbyterian Church. Ash Wednesday is a time to remember our mortality and total dependence on God. "Ashes to ashes," as the Bible says. As a church, we have been looking back at conflicts, issues, and pain in the past of our congregation. On Ash Wednesday, we will surrender all of these to God—ashes to ashes—and begin to look forward. This will be about a 45-minute child-friendly service, starting at 7:00 p.m. Please make every effort to attend.

## Adult Sunday School

 Adult Sunday School meets each Sunday beginning February 11, 2024, from 9:00-9:45 a.m. in Room 102. We are studying the Gospel of Luke. You may begin attending at any time! Please contact Andria Kaskey (aleakaskey@yahoo.com) for more information.

## 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.
- Family Game Night on Wednesday, February 7, from 6-8 p.m. Dinner is at 6 p.m., followed by games. Please RSVP with the link in the Stay Connected and on the website. All are welcome! Contact Jeanne Cunningham (fuselloj@gmail.com) for more information.
- MPC Youth Ministry
  - Youth Sunday School meets from 9-9:45 a.m. in the Youth Room. Youth Group meets on Thursdays from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

## MPC IS HIRING

## • Director of Contemporary Music

MPC is looking to hire a Director of Contemporary music to guide the congregation and lead them in Spirit-filled worship through the ministry of music. See the job description on our website or email employment@mediapresbyterian.org for more information.

## • Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries

 The Search Committee requests your help in finding a qualified applicant for the position of Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries at MPC. This is a full-time, non-ordained position that is responsible for developing and leading our ministry to children, youth, and families. Qualified candidates may contact employment@mediapresbyterian.org. See the website or newsletter for more information.

## Elders & Deacons

	ELDERS	
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Sandy Campbell	Jim Gatch	LuAnn Crosby
Art Kalemkarian, Jr.	Julie Havel	Jeanne Cunningham
Cindy McPeak	Jessica Johnson	Mark Gibble
Elizabeth Rohr	Eric MacDonald	Susan Kassab
Robin Smith	Kate Meehan	Eileen McLaughlin
Jo Snead	Paul Tutton	
	John Walton	
<i>Moderator:</i> Reverend Dr. David Cagle	<i>Clerk of Session</i> : Joe Hare	
	<b>DEACONS</b>	
<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Elaine Fetterman	Suzanne Beaumont	Jim Archambo
Jeanne Furey	Doug Crosby	Kim Gilchrist
Karen Gibble	Susan Hare	Michael Kaskey
Dave Layton	Dave Heckman	Alex Moore
Lynne McCone	Robin Kauffman	Sharon Riley
	Jill Lardon	
	Betsy McKeone	
	Pamela Orr	
	Belle Patton	

## FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2024

Sunday, January 28		
8:30 a.m.	Choir Practice, Sanctuary	
8:45 a.m.	Nursery opens for drop-off	
9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School, Room 102	
9:00 a.m.	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing	
9:00 a.m.	Youth Sunday School, Youth Room	
10:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship Service (with BLOC), Sanctuary	
11:30 a.m.	Mission Study Team results meeting, Sanctuary	
Monday, January 29		
12:00 p.m.	Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom	
4:45 p.m.	Mission Study Team meeting, Room 102	
7:00 p.m.	Women's Book Club, Zoom	
Tuesday, January 30		
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting	
Wednesday, January 31		
10:00 a.m.	Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow	
	Call 425-436-6394, Code 338523#	
Thursday, February 1		
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	
6:30 p.m.	MPC Ringers, Sanctuary	
7:00 p.m.	Youth Group, Youth Room	
7:00 p.m.	Yoga	
Friday, February 2	Office Closed	
Saturday, February 3		
6:00 p.m.	NA Meeting	
Sunday, February 4		
8:30 a.m.	Choir Practice, Sanctuary	
8:45 a.m.	Nursery opens for drop-off	
9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School, Room 102	
9:00 a.m.	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing	
9:00 a.m.	Youth Sunday School, Youth Room	
10:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship Service (with BLOC), Sanctuary	
12:15 p.m.	Children and Youth Ministries Meeting	

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