SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2023 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

"WELCOMING GRACE"

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.



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 Sebastian Carpenter, Director of Contemporary Music & Worship, Director of Youth Ministries Lisa VanHeldorf, Director of Traditional Music Andria Kaskey, Director of Children's Ministry Jim Gatch, Worship Leader Emily Barth, Organist

The Chancel flowers are donated by John and Jeanne Cunningham for their wedding anniversary.

GATHERING

Prelude

Benediction

Schubert

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

- Leader: Come to Christ, all who are weary. Gather together, all who carry heavy burdens.
 - All: Our help is in the name of God, who made heaven and earth.
- Leader: Bless God, who is revealed more clearly to infants than to those considered intelligent and wise.
 - All: Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ, who rescues us from sin and death.
- Leader: Seek the renewal of your spirits; delight in God's law in your inmost selves.
 - All: Praise God for all who live in awe, for all who seek to do God's will.

*Opening Worship (Led by the Worship Team)

(Music Sheets available)

Your Love Never Fails Jesus Culture/Chris Quilala

> *Evidence* Josh Baldwin

Children's Moment

Andria Kaskey

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."

*please stand in body or in spirit

Call to Confession

Leader: God is on our side, yet how easily we move away from God's side. God is eager to walk with us through the turmoil and troubles of life, yet we hide from God and flee from the only relationship that can fulfill us. God offers us rest and renewal, but we often refuse to turn away from our busy schedules to receive God's gift. Who will rescue us from this body of death?

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, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Assurance of Pardon

- Leader: The Creator of heaven and earth is our helper and will deliver us from the ways of death. We are not destined to live in bondage to our worst selves, but are freed to grow in faith and trust. God promises acceptance and forgiveness through Jesus Christ. The yoke of Christ is easy and the burdens light for those who live their thanks and seek God's will. Thanks be to God!
 - 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: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (pg.792)

Reverend Dr. David Cagle

Jim Gatch

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

Sermon

"Welcoming Grace"

Reverend Dr. David Cagle

RESPONDING

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

> I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to Stewardship

Offering Song

Be Thou My Vision Bill Chilcott MPC Choir

*Doxology

Hymn #592 (Blue)

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.

OLD HUNDRETH

*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 #371 (Blue) *Lift High the Cross*

Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

Let Freedom Ring!

James Mansfield

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. Effective the week of August 7, the church office will be closed on Fridays.

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 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, there are paper copies in the sanctuary. Completed surveys are due back today!

- 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.
- Refreshments on the Lawn is happening all summer long until Labor Day! Join us for some light refreshments outside after the worship service. Today is sponsored by Tom and Lynne McCone in celebration of Virginia Boyd's 75th birthday!
- 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.

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.
- Every 3rd Saturday join Cornerstone Kids at 10:00 a.m. for a hike near Media. Our next hike will be July 15 at Sargent Road Trail and Valley Walk in Crum Woods.
- 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 & Game Night Thursday, July 13 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 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).
- Women's Book Club
 - We meet every 4th Monday in Room 102 and via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. Our book for August is "<u>The Rose Code</u>" by Kate Quinn Contact: Jean Furey (jeanfurey@yahoo.com). We are not meeting in July. See you August 28.
- 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.
- Yoga
 - A new session of Hatha yoga will be held in Dale Hall at 7 p.m. every Thursday in July and August (except August 3rd). This is an all-levels class incorporating yoga poses to improve strength, balance, and flexibility. Consider joining our friendly class! Cost for the eight classes is only \$40. If interested, please contact Lisa Dombroski (L.Dombroski@yahoo.com).
- MOYC (Mothers of Young Children)
 - We will be meeting every Wednesday through July 26 and studying the book "<u>Seamless</u>" 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, "<u>The Matrix</u>".

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 are invited to join Reverend Rose Sparrow for a Bible Study on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Email Reverend Rose (rose@mediapresbyterian.org) for more information.

• Digital Picture Directory

- 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, contact Sue Hare (susanmlowry@hotmail.com).
- 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).

FINANCAL INFORMATION

• Financial Information

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

FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 9, 2023

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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 (No BLOC), Sanctuary		
	11:30 a.m.	Refreshments on the Lawn, sponsored by		
	11.50 a.m.	Tom & Lynne McCone in celebration of		
		Virginia Boyd's 75th birthday!		
Monday July 10		virginia boyd s / 5th birthday.		
Monday, July 10	12.00	Durana & Devetion Der Dess Zoom		
	12:00 p.m.	Prayer & Devotion, Rev. Rose, Zoom		
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Tuesday, July 11	10.00			
	10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting, Room 102		
Wednesday, July 12				
	9:00 a.m.	Woofies Baking Co., Kitchen		
	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Warriors, Rev. Rose Sparrow,		
		Call 425-436-6394, Code338523#		
	2:30 p.m.	Lima Estates Bible Study, Lima Estates		
	6:00 p.m.	MOYC		
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study on Matthew, Room 102 & Zoom		
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Thursday, July 13				
,j=	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		
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	7:00 p.m.	Youth Ice Cream Sundae Bar & Game Night, Youth Room		
	7.00			
	7:00 p.m.	Faith & Film Group, Room 103 & Zoom		
	7:00 p.m.	Yoga, Dale Hall		
Friday, July 14		No Activities Scheduled		
Saturday, July 15				
	10:00 a.m.	Cornerstone Kids Hike Sargent Road Trail		
	6:00 p.m.	NA Meeting		
Sunday, July 16				
	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 the Admin Committee		
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