

* Please stand if you are able.

We invite you to prepare your heart & mind quietly before Worship in the Sanctuary.

"The gospel is this: We are more sinful and flawed in ourselves than we ever dared believe, yet at the very same time we are more loved and accepted in Jesus Christ than we ever dared hope." Timothy Keller

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & PASSING THE PEACE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Take this time to meet & greet those seated around you.

CALL TO WORSHIP / REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

The Lord is risen!

He is risen, indeed!

This is the day the Lord has made!

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

* HYMN #138

Words on the Screen

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Why do we confess our sins?

So that we might be forgiven?

Not at all. We confess our sins because God is gracious and forgiving.

While we were still in our sin, God sent Christ to die for us, received us in baptism, and for Jesus' sake has already and forever forgiven our sins – past, present and future.

We confess our sins not to be forgiven, because we already are forgiven.

We confess our sins to acknowledge who and what we are, to delight in God's free and unearned gift of grace, to consider where we need to change our thinking and our behavior, and to enjoy gratefully a growing and honest relationship with our Lord.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal Splendor, Light of light, God of gods, we have seen your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ our Lord. Bathed in that light, our faith and our lives are shown to be fragmented and tarnished. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as

ourselves. Yet, in your great mercy you have already forgiven us. So, we pray that you will amend what we are and direct what we shall be, that we may henceforth walk in your light, delight in your will, and reflect your radiance, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Even in our moments of doubt when our faith is small, God is still at work, healing and forgiving. Even when we fail to see him, he still sees us, and loves us, and holds us in the palm of his hand.

Our sins truly are forgiven. Glory be to God!

RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

* GLORIA PATRI

SCRIPTURE

Old Testament page 157

Deuteronomy 6: 1-9

SPECIAL MUSIC

Westminster Choir

The Story Begins By Joseph M. Martin

SCRIPTURE

New Testament page 84

Luke 24: 13-32

* DOXOLOGY

SERMON

Pastor Emeritus Bob Dooling

The Church and Its Purpose: Preservation of the Truth

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 22: 16-21

New Testament page 245

* HYMN

Tell Me the Story of Jesus

Words on the Screen

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Graduation Recognition

Please see Insert

BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC



The flowers today are given by David & Nancy Fehl in memory of Nathan.

Participants in today's service are:

Kathryn Dunlevy-Wilson	Liturgist	Mira Mintcheva	Organ
Tamra Keller	Clarinet	Susan Chapman	Piano, Flute
Jason Caldwell	Sound	Gary Jens	Video
David McArthur	Music Ministry Director		



Worship Content & Last-Minute Announcements

Those desiring to know more worship content information regarding music lyrics, special notes, and sermon information may scan the QR Code to access them. Any last-minute Announcements will also be available.

Little Ones and Worship

At MVPC, we love your children and we love to see families worshipping together! We also understand that children are at different development stages, so we have the **MVPC Kid's Worship Training Area** located in the Lobby area (to the right of the Sanctuary doors) and the **Family Worship Room** for very small children or ones needing a private area to change diapers, nurse, etc. (ask a Greeter to show you the way to the room in the Children's Hallway.) If you have any questions or concerns, please seek a Greeter out for help.



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May 18, 2025

Announcements

1. Friendship Sign-In

As you enter worship, please sign the Friendship Sign-In located at the entrance to the Sanctuary. It's a small thing but very important. If you are a non-member or visitor, please let us know you were here with your information. We would love to connect with you! Thank you!

2. Compassion International at MVPC Follow-up

Consider contributing to the "Un-sponsored Children's Fund" by giving via MVPC (Donations may be made to MVPC and we will pass on your donation to Compassion International and record it to your giving statement) Pick up a blue paper at the table for more info.

3. Discover MVPC (New Members Class)

Sunday June 8 @ 11:30 am in Room 100

To learn more about MVPC - who we are, what we believe, what we offer, and more - we encourage you to sign up for our *DISCOVER MVPC* class. These classes are offered once a quarter during the year. This class is a one-time meeting in which you get time to sit down with the Pastor and Elders, learn all about MVPC and what it means to be a Presbyterian, as well as meet others at MVPC. If you are interested contact Kimberly Caldwell, Connections Coordinator.

4. MVPC Bunco

Saturday, June 7 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm in the Parlor

Come play Bunco! There will be snacks and drinks provided. Players are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for the House of Neighborly Service. All are welcome – whether you have played before or not!

5. Dementia Together Presentation

Thursday June 12 from 4:30-6:00 pm in Room 100

Dementia Together - a local non-profit will be sharing a presentation with all interested parties here at Mountain View Presbyterian Church. This organization is nationally recognized and personally attested to by many individuals here in Northern Colorado. If you would like to research more information before the event, go to the website *dementiatogether.org* A light meal (sandwiches) will be available in the Sanctuary Lobby Area following the presentation.

6. Walker Hymn Sing

Saturday June 14 at 4:00 pm in Fort Collins

Enjoy an open-air evening of congregational singing and lifting high the name of our Lord through hymns and gospel songs. Bring a picnic dinner and blankets / chairs to sit on. The grounds open at 4:30 pm and Hymn sing starts at 6 pm. Meet us there: 5925 E. Harmony Road in Fort Collins and look for the MVPC Sign.

7. Grow a Reader with Lago Vista Neighbor – This Summer!

Volunteer with Lago Vista Neighbor to be paired with an elementary child and read together during the summer months. For more information contact Terry Shores by leaving a message at the Church Office.

8. TLC Prayer List

To place a name on the TLC list you must first have permission from the individual.

Please fill out the card found in the pew cardholder or on the Sanctuary Lobby table area and place in the offering plate, email tlcprayer@mymvpc.com, or call the office to give the information to the receptionist. **PLEASE NOTE that management of the TLC is done during Church Office hours. If you have an emergency TLC request such as hospitalization or death during closed hours or the weekend – please contact the Pastoral Staff directly.** A PAPER COPY of the MVPC Weekly TLC Prayer List may be picked up at the Church Office Receptionist Desk during the week.

Weekly Schedule

SUN 5/18	10:15 am 11:30 am 11:30 am	GRADUATION RECOGNITION SUNDAY WORSHIP Athanasius: On The Incarnation w/Pastor Gary LeTourneau “When Culture Hates You” w/Pastor Larry Shores	Sanctuary Room 100 Meeting Room 1
MON 5/19	5:00 pm	Handbell Rehearsal	Chapel
TUES 5/20	9:30 am	Staff Meeting	Meeting Room 1
WED 5/21	8:00 am 12:30 pm 1:00 pm 6:30 pm	Men’s Breakfast Burrito Making for Community Kitchen Jim Work’s Poetry Hour Westminster Choir Rehearsal	Village Inn Kitchen Room 100 Sanctuary
THURS 5/22			
FRI 5/23		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
SAT 5/24			
SUN 5/25	10:15 am 11:30 am 11:30 am	WORSHIP Athanasius: On The Incarnation w/Pastor Gary LeTourneau “When Culture Hates You” w/Pastor Larry Shores	Sanctuary Room 100 Meeting Room 1
MON 5/26		MEMORIAL DAY CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinfulness Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Authors: Reginald Heber
Tune: John B. Dykes, 1823–1876 Text: Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826
Tune Name: NICAEA
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Tell Me the Story of Jesus

1 Tell me the story of Jesus,
Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.
Tell how the angels in chorus,
Sang as they welcomed His birth,
"Glory to God in the highest!
Peace and good tidings to earth."

Refrain:
Tell me the story of Jesus,
Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.

2 Fasting alone in the desert,
Tell of the days that are past,
How for our sins He was tempted,
Yet was triumphant at last.
Tell of the years of His labor,
Tell of the sorrow He bore;
He was despised and afflicted,
Homeless, rejected and poor. [Refrain]

3 Tell of the cross where they nailed Him,
Writhing in anguish and pain;
Tell of the grave where they laid Him,
Tell how He liveth again.
Love in that story so tender,
Clearer than ever I see;
Stay, let me weep while you whisper,
"Love paid the ransom for me." [Refrain]

Authors: Fanny J. Crosby, John R. Sweney
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Deuteronomy 6: 1–9

1 Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the Lord your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy,
2 so that you and your children and your children's children may fear the Lord your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long.
3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.
4 Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.
5 You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.
6 Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.
7 Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.
8 Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead,
9 and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Luke 24: 13–32

13 Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem,
14 and talking with each other about all these things that had happened.
15 While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them,

16 but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.
17 And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad.
18 Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?"
19 He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,
20 and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.
21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.
22 Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning,
23 and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.
24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him."
25 Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!
26 Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?"
27 Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.
28 As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on.
29 But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them.

30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight.

32 They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" .

Revelation 22: 16-21

16 "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

18 I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to that person the plagues described in this book;

19 if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away that person's share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

20 The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.