

MOUNTAIN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
THE LORD'S DAY

January 22, 2023

10:00 a.m.

* **Please stand if you are able.**

PRELUDE

Handbell / Organ Duet

He Comes to Us As One Unknown

** See words to this hymn on the back of the bulletin

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

Do you not know that all of us
who have been baptized into Christ Jesus
were baptized into his death?

Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death,
so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead
by the glory of the Father,
so we too might walk in the newness of life.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us start this service well, by reminding ourselves:

That it is not we who chose Christ,

but Christ who chose us,

That we are not here because of our goodness

but because of Christ's grace,

That we are not here to enlighten ourselves,

but to allow Christ to enlighten us,

That we have not come to be entertained

but to worship God with heart, soul, mind and strength.

* **OPENING HYMN - #361**

How Firm a Foundation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, when despair and suffering overwhelm us,
we cry out for you for help

When we doubt your presence and your promises.

We seek those things that are not of your glory.

Forgive us our folly Lord, forgive us our pride.

In these moments,

strengthen us in faith and fill our hearts with courage.

We believe, God. Help our unbelief.

In Jesus Name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

* 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.*

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 60:19-22

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ANTHEM

Feed My Lambs - Natalie Sleeth

Westminster Choir

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 4.12-23

NT page 3

* **DOXOLOGY**

*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.*

* **HYMN #387**

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us

SERMON

Between Worlds: The Kingdom of God

The Reverend James Webb

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

* **HYMN #442**

The Church's One Foundation

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 18.10-14

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC



Participants in today's service are:

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| Sylvia Dooling | Liturgist |
| Rev. Robert Dooling | Water Bearer |
| David McArthur | Music Director |
| Susan Chapman | Handbell Director, Piano |
| Donna Fullerton | Organ |



The flowers today are placed by Sandy Roorda in memory of Jim Roorda.

** Words to the Prelude Hymn: *He Comes to Us as One Unknown*

By Timothy Dudley-Smith

He comes to us as one unknown, a breath unseen, unheard; As though within a heart of stone, or shriveled seed in darkness sown, a pulse of being stirred.

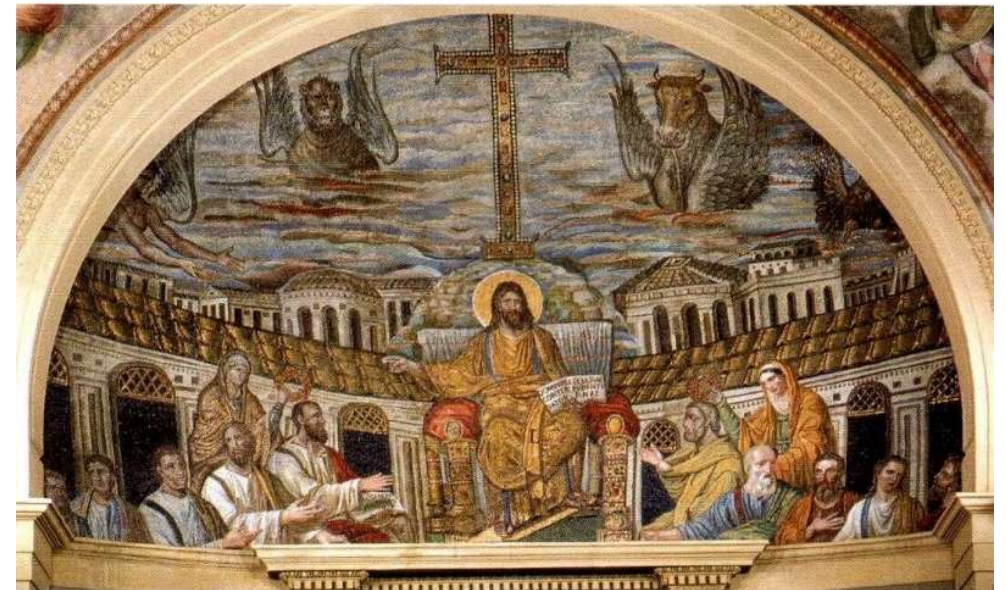
He comes when souls in silence lie and thoughts of day depart; Half seen upon the inward eye, a falling star across the sky of night within the heart.

He comes to us in sound of seas, the ocean's fume and foam; Yet small and still upon the breeze, a wind that stirs the tops of trees, a voice to call us home.

He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and birth; To bear within our mortal frame a life, a death, a saving name for every child of earth.

He comes in truth when faith is grown; believed, obeyed, adored: The Christ in all the scriptures shown, as yet unseen, but not unknown, our Savior and our Lord.

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Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.


Friday: 9:00 a.m. to noon

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The Reverend James H. Webb
The Reverend Robert D. Dooling, Pastor Emeritus
Pastor Larry Shores

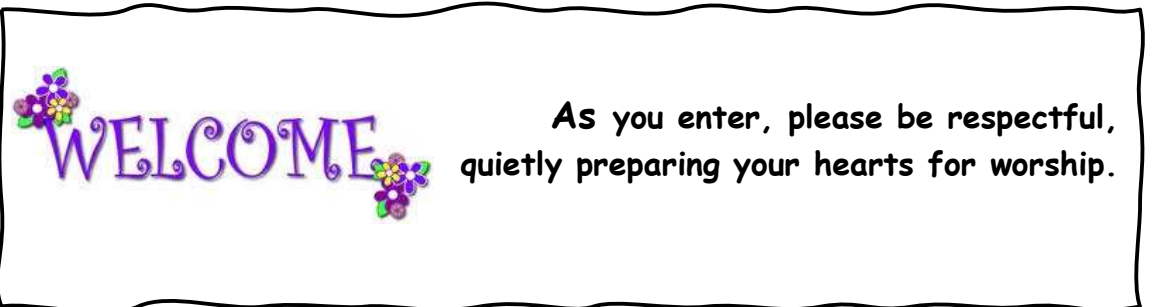
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Announcements

- As you enter worship, please sign the Friendship Pad. It's a small thing but very important. If you are a non-member, please give us your address/phone. Thank you.
- Greeters are needed for Sunday Worship at 10:00 am. A Sign-up sheet is located in the Lobby or contact Kimberly Caldwell.
- The Family Room (Room 110) is open every Sunday morning for your use. Live stream of worship, toys and activities for children, privacy for nursing parents, and changing tables or bathroom available.
- The cart for donations to House of Neighborly Service is located in the Lobby. Thank you for continuing to remember others.
- The Weekly list for TLC prayer may be picked up from Donna at the front of the Sanctuary after worship.
- MVPC is again setting our sights on a small-group African Adventure to Malawi in late July 2023. Our primary goal is to visit our Partner Church in Engalaweni to interact with many, enjoy their culture and hospitality, visit schools, health facilities, and other locations of interest along the route, including Lake Malawi and Bandawe Mission. Hopefully the highlight of the trip will be a 4 day-3 night safari excursion Liwonde National Game Reserve. 
An informational meeting for anyone interested in this adventure opportunity is scheduled for Sunday, Feb 5 at 12:30 pm, Room 1. A light lunch will be prepared, so please contact Rich Keller 970-217-5893 if you plan to eat (text or call).
- PW Valentine's Bake Sale Sunday, Feb 12, before and after Church Service. Take home super delicious baked treats for a donation.
- Save the date! On Feb. 12th there will be a called meeting of the congregation for the purpose of reviewing the annual report, and installation / ordination of officers of MVPC. There will be one service at 10:00 am on that day with no Common Table.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday 1/22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00 am, Traditional Worship • 11:00 am, How to Spell Presbyterian – Chapel with Rev. Bob • 2:00 pm, Galatians Bible Study – Room 1 with Garry • 3:00 pm, Praise Team Rehearsal - Life Center • 5:00 pm, Common Table - Life Center <p>Make reservations at www.myMVPC.com</p>
Monday 1/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5:00 pm, Handbell Rehearsal – Chapel, Bell Room
Tuesday 1/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:30 pm, Spirit Filled Living; Hebrews - Parlor • 7:00 pm, Women's Bible Study; James – Room 1 • 7:00 pm, Men's bible Study; Essential Truths... - Library
Wednesday 1/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:00 am, Men's Breakfast at the Village Inn • 6:30 pm, Westminster Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary
Thursday 1/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 pm, Praise Team Rehearsal - Life Center
Friday 1/27	
Saturday 1/28	
Sunday 1/29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00 am, Traditional Worship • 11:00 am, How to Spell Pres. – Chapel with Rev. Bob • 2:00 pm, Galatians Bible Study – Room 1 with Garry • 3:00 pm, Praise Team Rehearsal – Life Center • 5:00 pm Common Table - Life Center <p>Make reservations at www.myMVPC.com</p>



Isaiah 60:19-22

[19](#) The sun shall no longer be your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you by night; but the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory.

[20](#) Your sun shall no more go down, or your moon withdraw itself; for the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended.

[21](#) Your people shall all be righteous; they shall possess the land forever. They are the shoot that I planted, the work of my hands, so that I might be glorified.

[22](#) The least of them shall become a clan, and the smallest one a mighty nation; I am the Lord; in its time I will accomplish it quickly.

Matthew 4:12-23

[12](#) Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee.

[13](#) He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali,

[14](#) so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

[15](#) "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

[16](#) the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned."

[17](#) From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

[18](#) As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen.

[19](#) And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."

[20](#) Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

[21](#) As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

[22](#) Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

[23](#) Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Matthew 18:10-14

[10](#) "Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven.

[11](#)

[12](#) What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray?

[13](#) And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray.

[14](#) So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost.

Hymns

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us #387

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us, Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us, For our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

2 Thou hast promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to Thee;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Early let us turn to Thee.

3 Early let us seek Thy favor, Early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior, With Thy love our bosoms fill:
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Thou hast loved us, love us still;
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus, Thou hast loved us, love us still.

Text: attributed to Dorothy a. Thrupp, 1836; Hymns for the Young

Tune: *Bradbury*; William Batchelder Bradbury, 1859

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How Firm a Foundation #361

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

4 "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

5 "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

Text: "K" in A Selection of Hymns 1787; edited John Rippon
Tune: *Foundation*; American folk melody; Funk's Genuine Church Music, 1832
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The Church's One Foundation #442

1 The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is His new creation by water and the Word.
From heav'n he came and sought her to be His holy bride;
with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

2 Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth;
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, "How long?"
and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

4 'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, May live eternally.

Text: Samuel Joh Stone, 1866
Tune: *Aurelia*; Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864
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