

MOUNTAIN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
THE LORD'S DAY

May 19, 2024

10:00 a.m.

* Please stand if you are able

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME / PASSING OF THE PEACE

..The Lord Be With You..
And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP / REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

from Acts 2

“When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.”

“This is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, ... Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

“Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.’”

* **OPENING HYMN**

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Introduction by Joyful Ringers

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you poured out your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that our hearts are not always attuned to your Holy Spirit, we are prone to leave the God we love, and to seek our contentment and comfort in the powers and pleasures of this fallen world.

Oh Lord, may it be your good pleasure to release your unending streams of mercy upon us, interpose the precious blood of Christ between your holiness and our sinful ways, and rescue us from the mortal dangers that await those who wander from your fold. By the living power of the Spirit,

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bind us to yourself so that the lives we live may be an ever rising testimony to your help and unchanging love, until we arrive safely home. 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

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 68:1-20

SPECIAL MUSIC

Westminster Choir

Fill-A-Me Up – Pepper Chopin
Introduction by Tamra Keller - Solos by Maureen Mohr and Dick Wood

SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 7:3-12
1 John 5:6-12

* **DOXOLOGY**

led by the Praise Team

SERMON

The Reverend Tracee Hackel

Hymns through Time: Come Thou Fount

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. 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 people long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

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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!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 2:1-8

* SONG

led by the Praise Team

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

BENEDICTION



Participants in today's service are:

Bruce Boevers
David McArthur
Susan Chapman
Praise Team

Liturgist
Director of Music
Director of Handbells
Becca Webb, Nancy Payton
Steve Payton, Kurt Spence

NEW MVPC COMMUNICATIONS - Text and Email Notifications

MVPC will be trying a new way to communicate directly with you by text and/or email. The days of the phone tree have passed and in an effort to make sure that important information is shared fast and effectively, we will be using text (or email if preferred) to send out important messages (i.e. Cancelling an event due to weather; New Worship Times; etc.) **PLUS** - you can text us your TLC Prayer Request. We hope that this communication will help you to feel informed and connected. Please fill out the form located on your table and then drop it in the baskets at the entrances to the Life Center as you leave Worship today. If you have any questions or concerns, please connect with anyone from the Evangelism Committee or Christy Smith at the Church Office.



MOUNTAIN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Office Hours

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

Friday: 9:00 a.m. to noon

TLC line: 970-663-3810 or email tlcprayer@myMVPC.com

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

May 19, 2024

Announcements

- 1 **Please sign the Sign-in Sheet located at your table.** It's a small thing but very important. If you are a non-member, please give us your address/phone information. We would love to connect with you!
- 2 **Bulletins:** You may pick up a large print bulletin from a greeter at the entrance doors.
- 3 **Worshipping with Little Ones:** Make sure to grab an activity bag to take to your table.
- 4 MVPC Weekly **TLC Prayer List** may be picked up at breezeway doors after worship.
- 5 **Extra Curricular Poetry Class** led by Dr. James C. Work has already started. You can still join the group on Wednesdays, at 10:00 am in Room 100. No previous knowledge required. Contact Donna in the office or by email to Donna@myMVPC.com.
- 6 **Wanted**, person/s to assist with mowing, weed pulling and other grounds maintenance activities at the church. Please contact Aaron Heizer at 970.663.3810 ext. 30.
- 7 **MVPC 2025 Mission Trip to Yucatan Peninsula Mission Information Meeting Sunday June 9 @ 11:15am Meeting Room 1**
Come find out how you can be a part of this extraordinary Mission Trip to the Yucatan Peninsula. The trip is open to those 18 years and older! No experience is necessary! This is a unique opportunity to not only serve the Mayan people but develop friendships with other Presbyterians from across the US! Questions? Contact Christy Smith in the church office or by email at christy@mymvpc.com
- 8 **Celebrate The Smith Twins' Graduation Sunday, May 26 2:00-4:00 pm at Mountain View Presbyterian Church in the U-Shaped Drive.** The joy of graduating would be much greater if our church family would join us in celebrating Caitlyn & Michaela graduating from Loveland High School. Please come by and join us for food and fun! All are welcome! Your love and support over the years have made such an impact on their lives and helped to shape them into the young women they are today. We look forward to seeing you there! Blessings - Bink & Christy Smith

Weekly Schedule

Sunday 5/19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00 am, Worship - Life Center • 11:00 am, Romans with Rev. Bob – Room 100
Monday 5/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:00 pm, Grief Share Group – Room 101
Tuesday 5/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:30 pm, SFL-Jesus the Game Changer2 - resumes 5/28 • 1:30 pm, PP&C Committee – Room 1 • 7:00 pm, Men's Study; Live Not By Lies - Library • 7:00 pm, Women's Study; Colossians – Room 1 Dinner starts at 6:00 pm. Bring toppings to share for Chef Salads
Wednesday 5/22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:00 am, Men's Breakfast at the Village Inn • 10:00 am, Jim Work Poetry Class - Room 100 • 1:00 pm, Prayer Shawl Ministry - Library • 6:30 pm, Westminster Choir Rehearsal - Life Center
Thursday 5/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 pm, Praise Team Rehearsal - Life Center
Friday 5/24	
Saturday 5/25	
Sunday 5/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00 am, Worship - Life Center • 11:00 am, Romans with Rev. Bob – Room 100
Monday 5/27	<p>Memorial Day - Offices Closed</p>  <p>Remember - our fallen heroes. They are the reason that we are free.</p>

PARKING FOR PEOPLE / PASSENGERS WITH LIMITED MOBILITY
 Passengers with limited mobility can be dropped off on the east side of the church and enter directly into the Life Center, just follow the signs. You may also park in the Office Area parking lot and enter through the office doors.

Psalm 68

Let God rise up, let his enemies be scattered;
let those who hate him flee before him.

As smoke is driven away, so drive them away;
as wax melts before the fire,
let the wicked perish before God.

But let the righteous be joyful;
let them exult before God;
let them be jubilant with joy.

Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds—
his name is the LORD—
be exultant before him.

Father of orphans and protector of widows
is God in his holy habitation.

God gives the desolate a home to live in;
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious live in a parched land.

O God, when you went out before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness, *Selah*
the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad;
you restored your heritage when it languished;
your flock found a dwelling in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

The Lord gives the command;
great is the company of those who bore the tidings:
'The kings of the armies, they flee, they flee!'

The women at home divide the spoil,
though they stay among the sheepfolds—
the wings of a dove covered with silver,
its pinions with green gold.

When the Almighty scattered kings there,
snow fell on Zalmon.

O mighty mountain, mountain of Bashan;
O many-peaked mountain, mountain of Bashan!
Why do you look with envy, O many-peaked mountain,
at the mount that God desired for his abode,
where the LORD will reside forever?

With mighty chariotry, twice ten thousand,
thousands upon thousands,
the Lord came from Sinai into the holy place.

You ascended the high mount,
leading captives in your train
and receiving gifts from people,
even from those who rebel against the LORD God's abiding there.

Blessed be the Lord,
who daily bears us up;
God is our salvation. *Selah*

Our God is a God of salvation,
and to GOD, the Lord, belongs escape from death.

1 Sam. 7:3-12

Then Samuel said to all the house of Israel, 'If you are returning to the LORD with all your heart, then put away the foreign gods and the Astartes from among you. Direct your heart to the LORD, and serve him only, and he will deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines.' So, Israel put away the Baals and the Astartes, and they served the LORD only.

Then Samuel said, 'Gather all Israel at Mizpah, and I will pray to the LORD for you.' So they gathered at Mizpah, and drew water and poured it out before the LORD. They fasted that day, and said, 'We have sinned against the LORD.' And Samuel judged the people of Israel at Mizpah.

When the Philistines heard that the people of Israel had gathered at Mizpah, the lords of the Philistines went up against Israel. And when the people of Israel heard of it they were afraid of the Philistines. The people of Israel said to Samuel, 'Do not cease to cry out to the LORD our God for us, and pray that he may save us from the hand of the Philistines.' So Samuel took a sucking lamb and offered it as a whole burnt-offering to the LORD; Samuel cried out to the LORD for Israel, and the LORD answered him.

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As Samuel was offering up the burnt-offering, the Philistines drew near to attack Israel; but the LORD thundered with a mighty voice that day against the Philistines and threw them into confusion; and they were routed before Israel. And the men of Israel went out of Mizpah and pursued the Philistines and struck them down as far as beyond Beth-car.

Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Jeshanah, and named it Ebenezer; for he said, 'Thus far the LORD has helped us.'

1 John 5:6-12

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. There are three that testify: the Spirit and the water and the blood, and these three agree. If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Ephesians 2:1-8

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by Thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for Thy courts above.

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Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above

I am bound for the kingdom
Won't you come with me (Repeat 4X)

Alle-lu-ia we sing

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