

**MOUNTAIN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**THE LORD'S DAY**

January 16, 2022

10:00 a.m.

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

**PRELUDE**

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee – arr. Joel Raney*

**REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM**

Galatians 3:27-28, NRSV

As many of you as were baptized into Christ  
have clothed yourselves with Christ.  
There is no longer Jew or Greek,  
there is no longer slave or free,  
there is no longer male and female;  
for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Isaiah 40

A voice says, "Cry out!"  
And I said, "What shall I cry?"  
All people are grass,  
their constancy is like the flower of the field.  
The grass withers, the flower fades,  
when the breath of the Lord blows upon it;  
surely the people are grass.  
The grass withers, the flower fades;  
but the word of our God will stand forever.

\* **OPENING HYMN - See Insert for the words**

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We come before you, O God,  
to confess what you already know—  
we have failed to keep your laws.  
We have followed our own selfish will.  
We have twisted your decrees and institutions  
to suit our preconceptions and interests  
rather than your own.  
Forgive us, O God,

and cleanse us from hidden faults,  
that the words of our mouths,  
and the meditations of all our hearts,  
may be acceptable to you,  
our Rock and our Redeemer.  
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**

*Psalm 36: 5-10*

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**SPECIAL MUSIC - see insert**

*I Was There To Hear Your Boring Cry – John Ylvisaker*  
*Please join on the last verse when directed*

**SCRIPTURE**

*John 2: 1-11*

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\* **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.*

**SERMON**

Reverend James Webb

*Improving Our Baptism: A Wedding RSVP*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING / LORD'S PRAYER**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Westminster Larger Catechism*

How is our Baptism to be improved by us?

**The needful but much neglected duty of improving our Baptism, is to be performed by us all our life long, especially in the time of temptation, and when we are present at the administration of it to others;**

by serious and thankful consideration of the nature of it, and of the ends for which Christ instituted it, the privileges and benefits conferred and sealed thereby, and our solemn vow made therein;

by being humbled for our sinful defilement, our falling short of, and walking contrary to, the grace of baptism, and our engagements;

by growing up to assurance of pardon of sin, and of all other blessings sealed to us in that sacrament;

by drawing strength from the death and resurrection of Christ, into whom we are baptized, for the mortifying of sin, and quickening of grace;

and by endeavoring to live by faith, to have our conversation in holiness and righteousness, as those that have therein given up their names to Christ;

and to walk in brotherly love, as being baptized by the same Spirit into one body.

#### ANTHEM

*I Love You Lord - by Klein/Schrader*

#### SCRIPTURE

***Isaiah 41: 8-10***

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#### HYMN #150

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

#### CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Minute for Mission

Rich Keller

#### BENEDICTION

#### CLOSING MUSIC



#### Participants in today's service are:

Dan Hymans	Liturgist
Mary Hymans	Westminster Choir Director
Susan Chapman	Handbell Director, Accompanist
Donna Fullerton	Organist



The flowers this morning are in celebration of the 58th Anniversary of Gary and Mary Jo Swanson. Congratulations!



## **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](mailto:tlcprayer@myMVPC.com)

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

**January 16, 2022**

## Announcements

1. Don't forget to sign the Friendship Pad. It's a small thing but very important.
2. If you are looking for a way to serve the Church, we are looking for you. Greeters are needed for Sunday Worship at 10:00 am. Contact Kimberly Caldwell.
3. **Bible Reading Plan for 2022:** If you do not already have a plan for reading through the Bible in 2022--it's not too late to start! The point is not to keep the schedule but to dwell richly in the Word of God. Check out this free, downloadable 5 day Bible Reading Program at [fivedaybible.com](http://fivedaybible.com) --a flexible, approachable plan for reading the entire Bible in 52 weeks, no matter when you start.



### Weekly Schedule

<b>Sunday:</b> 1/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2:00 pm, Bible Study w/Garry in the Parlor</li> <li>• 4:00 pm, 412 Students</li> <li>• 5:00 pm, Common Table, make reservations at <a href="http://www.myMVPC.com">www.myMVPC.com</a></li> <li>• 7:00 pm, HSS Students</li> </ul>
<b>Monday:</b> 1/17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4:00 pm, Handbell Rehearsal – Chapel</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday:</b> 1/18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7:00 pm, Men's Bible Study in the Library</li> <li>• 7:00 pm, Women's Bible Study in the Parlor</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday:</b> 1/19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8:00 am, Men's Breakfast at the Village Inn</li> <li>• 2:00 pm, S &amp; F Committee in the Library</li> <li>• 4:00 pm, Westminster Choir Rehearsal - Choir room</li> <li>• 6:30 pm, Praise Team Rehearsal - Fellowship Hall</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday</b> 1/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9:30 am, Bible Study in the Chapel</li> <li>• 12:30 pm, Spirit Filled Living, in the Library</li> <li>• 7:00 pm, Session</li> </ul>
<b>Friday</b> 1/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No activities Scheduled</li> </ul>
<b>Saturday</b> 1/22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 412 Winter Retreat Day</li> </ul>

## Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
 Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Op'ning to the sun above.  
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away;  
 Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

All Your works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
 Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise;  
 Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee!

Always giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,  
 Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest!  
 Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, - All who live in love are Thine.  
 Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine!

Mortals, join the mighty chorus, Which the morning stars began;  
 Love divine is reigning o'er us, Leading us with mercy's hand.  
 Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife;  
 Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life.

## Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!  
 Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!  
 Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;  
 Praise is His gracious choice; Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!  
 Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!  
 He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;  
 His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!  
 Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!  
 On heaven's blissful shore His goodness we'll adore,  
 Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

## **Psalm 36:5-10**

## **New Revised Standard Version**

<sup>5</sup>Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,  
your faithfulness to the clouds.

<sup>6</sup>Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,  
your judgments are like the great deep;  
you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

<sup>7</sup>How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

<sup>8</sup>They feast on the abundance of your house,  
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

<sup>9</sup>For with you is the fountain of life;  
in your light we see light.

<sup>10</sup>O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,  
and your salvation to the upright of heart!

## **John 2:1-11**

## **New Revised Standard Version**

**2** On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. **2** Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. **3** When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." **4** And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." **5** His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." **6** Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. **7** Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. **8** He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. **9** When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom **10** and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." **11** Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

## **Isaiah 41:8-10**

## **New Revised Standard Version**

<sup>8</sup> But you, Israel, my servant,  
Jacob, whom I have chosen,  
the offspring of Abraham, my friend;  
<sup>9</sup> you whom I took from the ends of the earth,  
and called from its farthest corners,  
saying to you, "You are my servant,  
I have chosen you and not cast you off";  
<sup>10</sup> do not fear, for I am with you,  
do not be afraid, for I am your God;  
I will strengthen you, I will help you,  
I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.