



MOUNT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 19, 2023 • 9:00 AM • Fourth Sunday in Lent

Please turn off your cell phones or place them on "vibrate."

CALL TO WORSHIP

Breathe

Marie Barnett

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Presbyterian Women Birthday Offering • Stephanie Jones

OPENING SONG

How Great Thou Art

Stuart Wesley Keene Hine

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we come with hesitant steps and uncertain motives to sweep out the corners where sin has accumulated, and uncover the ways we have strayed from Your truth. Expose the empty and barren places where we don't allow you to enter. Reveal our half-hearted struggles where we have been indifferent to the suffering of others. Nurture the faint stirrings of new life, where your spirit has begun to grow. Let your healing light transform us into the image of Your Son. For You alone can bring new life and make us whole.

JESUS' WORD OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Lynn Wiard

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & FIRST NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-3

Martha Feil

SECOND NEW TESTAMENT READING & SERMON

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

"Faith, Hope, Love: Christian Life in Three Dimensions"

Manfred Brauch

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

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 Ghost, 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

OFFERING

We are grateful for your gifts that support the mission and ministry of the Body of Christ. Please visit onrealm.org/mppc/give/now to give online.

OFFERTORY

At The Cross (Love Ran Red)

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jonas Myrin, Matt Armstrong, & Matt Redman

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

CLOSING SONG

Stand in Your Love

Ethan Hulse, Josh Baldwin, Mark Harris & Rita Springer

BENEDICTION

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 19, 5:00 PM
Missional Planning Team
(Grace Hall)

March 25, 9:00 AM
Walk for Water
(Riverfront Park)

March 25, 7:00 AM
**Red Balloon Yard Sale
to Support Nadia**
(Providence Baptist Church)

See more online at
mppc.net/events!

CHILDCARE

Childcare for children (infant through pre-K) is available for all worship and education times. (SB 110); older children will be divided into appropriate rooms). Wiggle Bags are available for children who remain in worship.

10AM EDUCATION CLASSES

Nursery (SB 110)
Prek (SB 103)
K/1 Grade (SB 203)
2/3 Grade (SB 204)
4/5 Grade (SB 205)
Connex 3 (Parlor - 9:30)
ASJ (SB 206 - 9:30)
The Middle (GH 226 - 10)
Youngish Adults (SB 209 - 10)
The Harbor (GH 222 - 10)

SB: Seabrook; GH: Grace Hall

FIRST AID

In case of an emergency, please call 911. AEDs (defibrillators) are located outside Fellowship Hall 2.

PASTOR ON CALL

After hours: 843-901-9977.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• MPPC's **Third Act** presents "Birds of Prey" program and covered dish lunch on **Monday, March 27 at noon** in the Fellowship Hall. Presented by the Center for Birds of Prey (CBP), this special program will offer participants the unique opportunity to experience close encounters with some of the earth's most powerful and majestic predators; the raptors. **Third Act: Celebrating, Utilizing, and Enhancing the Gift of Aging** is a ministry of MPPC for older adults. If you would like to attend this special program, we invite you to sign up through Realm or by contacting Dan Wiard or Trish Snead in the church office. Bring a covered dish, enjoy some side dishes others are sharing and great fellowship, and learn through the "Birds of Prey" presentation.

• **Homebound Meals on Wheels** recipients are isolated and often feel lonely and forgotten. Congregation members, including children, are encouraged to lift the spirit of these folks by preparing homemade or purchased Easter cards and including their own message of love and support. Finished cards need to be delivered to the specially

marked box at the receptionist's desk in the church office no later than **Tuesday, April 4**, for delivery by ECMOW drivers prior to Easter. Address cards: "Dear Meals on Wheels Friend." Thank you!

• **The Presbyterian Women Birthday Offering** has funded more than 200 major mission projects that continue to impact people in the United States and around the world. While the projects and donation amounts have changed, PW's commitment to improving the lives of women and children has not. The 2023 offering grant recipients are Making Miracles Gorup Home in Tallahassee, Florida and Berhane Yesus Elementary School in Dembi Dollo, Ethiopia. You can donate online through Realm, being sure to select the appropriate fund from the drop-down menu or you can write a check to the church and write "Birthday Offering" in the memo line.

ADOPT A DAY AT HOPE HOUSE

MARCH 14
In Honor and Support of Hope House;
Given by God's Goods of Mt. Pleasant

MARCH 16
In Honor of Hope House; Given by
Becky Neuhaus

MARCH 19
In Honor of Kathy Dodd on her
birthday; Given by her daughter and
granddaughter, Kathryn and Barre
Deleot

MARCH 20
In loving memory of Jan Hart, a
wonderful friend and devoted Hope
House volunteer for many years; Given
by the Hope House Ministry Team

MARCH 22
In Honor of Angi Case for her
dedication and generosity to Hope
House; Given by the Hope House
Ministry Team

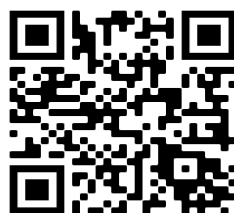
MARCH 24
In Appreciation of Ralph Wetherall and
God's Goods for their generous support
of Hope House; Given by the Hope
House Ministry Team

MARCH 26
In Memory of Margaret Stiepel for her
love and support of Hope House; Given
by Hope House Ministry Team

Hope House is funded by member donations, guest contributions, and community grants. It costs approximately \$50/day to operate Hope House. You can support our mission by "adopting" a day at Hope House; visit mppc.net/hope-house to make a donation.

GIVING & FINANCIALS

Visit onrealm.org/mppc/give/now to give online or scan the QR code below. Please reach out to Finance Director Glenn Hair with any questions.



	YTD	WE 3/12/23
Total Giving & Other Revenue	\$ 372,987	\$ 57,037
Total Expenses	\$ 356,970	\$ 13,701
Operating Cash Balance at 3/12/23	\$153,535	
Thank you for your generous support of God's Kingdom work & the mission of MPPC.		