



# MOUNT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*A community of faith where all are welcomed and encouraged to  
actively live out God's love with energy, compassion, and joy*

April 21, 2024 • 11:00AM

Fourth Sunday of Easter

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

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

## CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

### PRELUDE

*Our Father, By Whose Name all Fatherhood is Named*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Lee Kohlenberg, Guest Organist

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.*

*People: He lays down his life for his sheep.*

*Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.*

*People: He knows us, and we belong to him.*

*Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.*

*People: He speaks, and we listen for his voice.*

### \*HYMN #182

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

### \*SILENT CONFESSION

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Lord, have mercy on us. We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect the poor. We talk about love, but we fail to love one another. Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ, in whose body we live and in whose name we pray. Amen.*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*GLORIA PATRI #232 (v4)

*Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God's Love, Alleluia! Praise Our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*McCleen Grace Edmondson, child of Sarah & Barrett Edmondson*

### BAPTISM HYMN #486

*Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign,  
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.*

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Dan Wiard*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Psalms 23 • Julie Stephenson*

### NEW TESTAMENT READING & SERMON

*"Jesus the Good Shepherd"*

*John 10:11-18*

*Dan Wiard*

**ANTHEM***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

Arr. Gordon Young

*A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe;  
his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not his equal. Alleluia!*

*Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,  
were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth his name,  
from age to age the same; and he must win the battle.*

*His word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth;  
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill:  
God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever! Amen!*

**\*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.*

**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](http://onrealm.org/mppc/give/now) to give online.*

**OFFERTORY***God's Son Has Triumphed; Christ Is Risen*

Johann S. Bach

**\*DOXOLOGY #609***Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING****CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER #803 v.1**

*My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.  
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.  
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways,  
And leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.*

**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.*

**\*HYMN #187***Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us***SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

Ellen Gower

**\*BENEDICTION****BENEDICTION RESPONSE***The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Peter C. Lutkin

**POSTLUDE***Praeludium in G*

Johann S. Bach

## OUR PASTORS

**Rev. Dr. Danie DeBeer**  
*Interim Pastor*

**Rev. Bart Edwards**  
*Associate Pastor for Missions*

---

## OUR STAFF

**Lori Baney**  
*MPPC Learning Center Director*

**Alanna Barrett**  
*Administrative Assistant*

**Glenna Durbin**  
*Director of Youth Ministry*

**Suzy Edwards**  
*Director of Children's Ministry*

**Logan Garabato**  
*Director of Communications*

**Glenn Hair**  
*Director of Finance*

**Stacy Hanling**  
*Director of Daily Operations*

**Beth Moore**  
*Director of Hope House*

**Tony Sane**  
*Director of Music Ministries*

**Trish Snead**  
*Administrative Assistant*

**Wayne Stewart**  
*Sexton*

**Joann Westberry**  
*Finance Assistant*

**Dan Wiard**  
*Director of Christian Education*

**Alex Wilson**  
*Associate Director of Music/  
Organist*

**Alexis Wright-Singleton**  
*Receptionist*

---

## SESSION & DIACONATE

A list of our session members and deacons can be found at [mppc.net/about](http://mppc.net/about). Find session documents and more information at [mppc.net/our-session](http://mppc.net/our-session).

## CHILDCARE

Childcare for children (infant through Pre-K) is available for all worship and education times in SB Nursery Classroom. Wiggle Bags are available for children who remain in worship in the Narthex during the 11 a.m. service.

---

## SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:45AM)

Here is a quick breakdown of what the adult classes will be studying from 9:45-10:45 a.m. unless otherwise noted: The Middle (GH 226) - On Purpose: Finding God's Voice in Your Passion; Connect 3 (Parlor) - Loving Fully, Dying Well, by Rueben Job (MEETS AT 9:30 A.M.); Youngish Adults (SB 209) - Parenting: Getting It Right, by Andy and Sandra Stanley; The Academy of St. John (SB 206) - Painting the Stars: Science, Religion, and an Evolving Faith (BEGINS AT 9:15 A.M.) We hope you will join one of these classes!

---

## WIFI PASSWORD

The password is the same as the network name: *MPPC-Guest*.

---

## KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL

PreK, K-1, 2-3rd, and 4-5th classes available. All classes are held in the Seabrook Building. We follow the CELEBRATE Wonder curriculum. Come join us and see what it's all about! Contact Suzy Edwards [sedwards@mppc.net](mailto:sedwards@mppc.net) with questions.

---

## FIRST AID

In case of an emergency, please call 911. AEDs (defibrillators) are located around MPPC in the narthex, in the front office, outside Fellowship Hall 2, and in the lobby of Grace Hall.

---

## PASTOR ON CALL

After hours: 843-901-9977.

---

## HEARING DEVICES

Available in the narthex.

---

## FLOWERS

The flowers are given by *Martha & Pat Waters*, to the glory of God, in celebration of this happy day in our sanctuary, and in thanksgiving for Dan and Lynn Wiard.

## ADOPT A DAY AT HOPE HOUSE

### APRIL 2

In Memory of Julian McGill; Given by Marshall and Lisa Hay

### APRIL 3

In Honor of Hope House; Given by Becky Neuhaus

### APRIL 4

In Honor of Hope House; Given by an anonymous donor

### APRIL 5

In Honor of Ali and Poppy Muller; Given by Paul and Camille Fisher

### APRIL 6

In Honor of Hope House; Given by Brian and Margaret French

### APRIL 7

In Honor of Hope House; Given by George and Ashley Magrath

### APRIL 15

In Honor of Gary Rogalski, on a very big birthday; Given by Karl and Miff Cone

### APRIL 17

In Memory of Angi Case; Given by an anonymous donor

*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](http://mppc.net/hope-house) to make a donation.*

# UPCOMING EVENTS

April 21, 12:30PM  
**Retirement Party  
for the Wiards**  
(Fellowship Hall)

April 26, 7:00PM  
**Village Concert Series:  
Gravel Rd Bluegrass Band**  
(MPPC)

April 28  
**Kirkin' O' the  
Tartan Service**  
(MPPC)

April 28, after each service  
**Hope House Open House**  
(Hope House)

See more online at  
[mppc.net/events/](http://mppc.net/events/)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Join your church family in the Fellowship Hall after 11 a.m. worship today! There will be a potluck **going away celebration for Dan and Lynn Wiard!**

- All are invited to take part in our upcoming **blood drive on Monday, April 22 from 1-6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** The need for blood is constant, but only 3 percent of the U.S. population donates. Whether you have ever donated or not, please prayerfully consider signing up and joining us. Sign up at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org); sponsor code is MPPC or 29464.

- Join us at MPPC on Friday, April 26 at 7 p.m. for a lively performance by the **Gravel Road Bluegrass Band!** We plan to host this concert outside so please bring a chair or a blanket. If the weather is bad, we will move inside to the Fellowship Hall. This concert is free and open to the public!

- Please join in the procession of bagpipes, Beadle, Crucifer, and Tartan

Flags as we celebrate **The Kirkin' O' the Tartan** service on April 28th at 8:30 and 11 a.m. You are encouraged to wear your own tartan apparel - or kilt if you have one!

- There will be **no Sunday School next Sunday (April 28th).** Everyone is invited to meet in between services in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast plus shortbread, strawberries and cream. Please remember that **breakfast is 100% self-funded** so please give generously. Thank you! (Venmo: @MPPRESBYTERIANCHURCH Memo: Breakfast)

- On April 28th, Hope House will be hosting a **Volunteer Appreciation Drop-In**, honoring the volunteers and many wonderful supporters of Hope House. Please come and share fellowship and refreshments with us after each church service. We would love to give you a brief tour of the house and hope that you will feel the urge to be a part of it all.

# GIVING & FINANCIALS

Visit [onrealm.org/mppc/give/now](http://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 4/14/24
Total Giving & Other Revenue	\$ 633,965	\$ 26,801
Total Expenses	\$ 666,327	\$ 12,797
Operating Cash Balance at 4/14/24		\$104,028

Thank you for your generous support of God's Kingdom work & the mission of MPPC.

# I'M NEW!

Thank you for your presence today, worship is such a special time and we are glad you chose to spend that time with us! If you would like to learn more about MPPC, join our community or get involved outside of worship, here are a few suggested next steps:

- Visit [mppc.net/new](http://mppc.net/new) to find the answers to your most frequently asked questions. (You can find information about our new member classes there as well).
- Read our monthly newsletter, *The Pelican*, at [mppc.net/newsletter](http://mppc.net/newsletter) or subscribe to our weekly enewsletter at [mppc.net/sign-up-for-updates](http://mppc.net/sign-up-for-updates).
- Follow our Facebook and Instagram (@mtpleasantpres).
- Check out some of our upcoming events and volunteer opportunities at [mppc.net/events](http://mppc.net/events) or [mppc.net/volunteer](http://mppc.net/volunteer).
- Stop by and say hi! Whether its during the week or after worship, our pastors, staff and members would love to meet you and show you around MPPC. Our office is open Monday-Thursday from 9-5 and on Fridays from 9-1.
- Call us at 843-884-4612.