



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*

July 14, 2024 • 11:00 AM

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

**Please stand as you are able.*

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

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

Triumphal Chorus

Alexander Guilmant

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Table for 8

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

All: Worship the LORD with gladness; come to worship with joyful songs!

One: Know that the LORD is God. It is God who made us and we are his;

All: we are God's people, the sheep of his pasture.

One: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to the LORD and praise his name.

All: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; God's faithfulness continues through all generations.

*HYMN #634

To God Be the Glory

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI #581

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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Thomas Banks Feldenzer, child of Julia and Luke Feldenzer

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

Isabella Flynn

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & FIRST READING

Psalm 24 • Ellen Gower

SECOND READING & SERMON

"Blessed Be"

Ephesians 1:3-14
Pastor Ellen Creed Branham

ANTHEM

God is in His Holy Temple
MPPC Summer Choir

Arr. Austin C. Lovelace

God is in his holy temple, earthly thoughts be silent now. While with reverence we assemble, and before his presence bow. He is with us now and ever, when we call upon his name. Aiding every good endeavor, guiding every upward aim. Then let every low emotion banish far and silent be, and our souls in pure devotion, Lord, be temples worthy thee.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostle's 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

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Anna Laura Page

***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 DEDICATION**

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 #625**

How Great Thou Art

***BENEDICTION**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Amen

Schubert

Please stay following the service for a congregational meeting.

OUR PASTORS

Rev. Dr. Danie DeBeer
Interim Pastor

Rev. Bart Edwards
Associate Pastor for Missions
(On Sabbatical until Sept. 2)

OUR STAFF

Lori Baney
MPPC Learning Center Director

Ellen Creed Branham
Commissioned Pastor for Adult Education

Glenna Durbin
Director of Youth Ministry

Suzy Edwards
Director of Children's Ministry

Isabella Flynn
Summer Youth Intern

Logan Prochaska 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

Alex Wilson
Assoc. Music Director/Organist

Alexis Wright-Singleton
Receptionist

SESSION & DIACONATE

A list of our session members and deacons can be found at mppc.net/about. Find session documents and more information at 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)

On Sundays through Labor Day, Adult Faith Formation ministry is offering a combined adult Sunday class in Grace Hall 123/125 from 9:45-10:45. Using the video-based series "A Sermon for Every Sunday," each Sunday's topic is unique. Drop in when your schedule allows-- to meet God in Scripture and in conversation with fellow sojourners in the faith.

We also invite you to join us next week for breakfast in the Fellowship Hall in between services!

WIFI PASSWORD

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

KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL

During the summer, we have one Sunday school class for children (Preschool-5th grade class) in GH 121 from 9:45-10:45.

Contact Suzy Edwards 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 in the Sanctuary today are given by Rick and Pam Spivey in thanksgiving for the blessing of their three grandchildren, Luke, Savannah, and Oliver Spivey.

ADOPT A DAY AT HOPE HOUSE

JULY 8
In Honor of Hope House; Given by Angela Redden

JULY 9
In Honor of Hope House; Given by The Magrath Family

JULY 10
In Honor of Hope House; Given by The Griffith Family

JULY 11
In Memory of Ted Harrison; Given by Karl and Miff Cone

JULY 12
In Honor of Marcus Dee Googer; Given by Marc, Angela, Austin and Dylan Googer

JULY 15
In Honor of Hope House; Given by The Neuhaus Family

JULY 15
In Honor of my grandson, Holmes Burton Moore's 14th birthday; Given by Nancy Springs

JULY 18
In Honor of my daughter, Holly Whitlock Moore's birthday; Given by Nancy Springs

JULY 20
In Honor of Lucille Schram's birthday; Given by Circle 5 Sisters in Christ

JULY 27
In Memory of Elaine Smith; Given by The Davidson Family

JULY 31
In Memory of my husband, Ralph Rivers, on his birthday; Given by Cynthia Rivers

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, July 22, 2-6 p.m.
Red Cross Blood Drive
(Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, July 25, 6 p.m.
**Generation Gap
Game Night**
(Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, August 4, 3-6 p.m.
**Hymns on Tap
& Family Fun Day**
(Westbrook Brewing)

Saturday, August 24, 8 a.m.
S.T.E.P.S.
(MPPC)

See more online at
mppc.net/events!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The session has voted to call a **congregational meeting** immediately following the 11 a.m. service today, Sunday, July 14 for the purpose of hearing a report from the PNC and if the way be clear, to elect a pastor and approve the terms of call.
- MPPC is launching a church wide supper club, **Table for 8!** Groups of eight will gather four times a year for dinner - singles/couples, young/old, members/visitors - all are welcome! Sign up by August 1st by emailing Lois Canady at loican476@gmail.com.
- Join us for **Generation Gap Game Night** on July 25 at 6 pm! This is a night for the whole family! We will test the knowledge and wisdom of all ages with this intergenerational, fun-filled event! Dinner will be provided. Register: mppc.net/events.
- Join our presbytery Saturday, Aug. 24 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. at MPPC for **S.T.E.P.S.** This awesome event provides opportunities for you to grow in your Christian faith through experiences of worship, learning, and fellowship. Register at capresbytery.org/steps-2024 by Aug. 12.
- Our next **Red Cross Blood Drive** is Monday, July 22 from 2-6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please prayerfully consider signing up and join us Monday, July 22. Visit redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code MPPC to sign up today!
- You're invited to **Hymns on Tap!** a night of family fun full of singing, yard games & refreshments at Westbrook Brewing from 3-6 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 4. All ages are welcome! The Taternator food truck will be on site.

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 7/7/24
Total Giving & Other Revenue	\$ 1,190,266	\$ 32,673
Total Expenses	\$ 1,245,611	\$ 9,804
Operating Cash Balance at 7/7/24		\$81,716
Transferred from Temporarily Restricted to Operations (ERTC)		\$129,542

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 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 or subscribe to our weekly newsletter at 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 or 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.