



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*

October 20, 2024 • 8:30 & 11 AM
22nd Sunday after Pentecost • Children's Sabbath

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE *Here I Am To Worship (8:30)*
 In Thee Is Gladness (11:00)

Effie Brown, Lyles Bruorton, vocalist; Wheeler Brown, piano
Johann S. Bach • Lee Kohlenberg, organist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Suzy Edwards & Adair Rabun
Stewardship Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Children of God,

All: Come as a child to worship!

One: It's time to take off your shoes.

All: Step out of your comfort zone and wade with trust into the stream of God's grace.

One: Stand still for a moment, barefoot, on holy ground...look up and out in awe.

All: Take a deep breath as love soaks into your soul.

One: Come, listen for God's word to us today through the hearts and voices of children.

Eliza Shaw (8:30) • Lucy Masche (11:00)

OPENING PRAYER

Caleb Shaw (8:30) • Lucy Masche (11:00)

*HYMN

Jesus Loves Me!

Hymn #188

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Eliza Shaw (8:30) • Ellie Hindman (11:00)

*SILENT CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of time and eternity, we confess that we have long memories, especially for moments we resent or regret. Each week we seek your forgiveness for our mistakes, but we confess we do not forgive others so faithfully. Sometimes we seek opportunity to even the score. Confront us with your mercy, O God, and open our hearts to receive your grace as we strive to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with you.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Gabriel Shaw (8:30) • Emma Mayer (11:00)

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

(The congregation is invited to share signs of Christ's peace and reconciling love with one another.)

*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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION & FIRST READING

Micah 6:8
Dixon Wendell (8:30), Haywood Cross (11:00)

He has shown you, O Mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Nicole Partin Abdour

We welcome the children to come forward singing "What Does the Lord Require of You" *What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you? To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.* Following the children's message, children of all ages are invited and welcome to remain in worship.

ANTHEM (11:00)

Come into God's Presence, I'm Gonna Sing

Children's Choirs

Lauren Houston and Haley Sane, directors & Sophie Degraday, accompanist

SECOND READING & SERMON

Mark 10:13-16 • Rowe Magrath (8:30)

"Bless Them!" • Suzy Edwards

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed • Rowe Magrath (8:30), Harden Isaac (11:00)

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

James Magrath (8:30) • Blakely Whitmore (11:00)

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING

Burchell Heuring (8:30) • Rose Collie (11:00)

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

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (8:30)

Effie Brown, Lyles Bruorton, vocalist;

Wheeler Brown, piano

Allegro (11:00)

John Stanley

*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

*HYMN

Go My Children, with My Blessing

Hymn #547

*BENEDICTION

Suzy Edwards & Preschool Friends

POSTLUDE (11:00)

Toccata

Theodore Dubois

Special Notes:

Kindergarten-1st Graders wrote the Opening Prayer

2-3rd Graders wrote the Prayer of Dedication

4-5th Graders wrote the Prayers of the People

OUR PASTORS

**Rev. Dr. Nicole Partin
Abdnour**
Senior Pastor & Head of Staff

Rev. Bart W. Edwards
Associate Pastor for Missions

OUR STAFF

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SESSION & DIACONATE

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

PASTOR ON CALL

After hours: 843-901-9977.

WIFI

Network & Password:
MPPC Sanctuary

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPTIONS

Children & Childcare

Children's Sunday School is at 9:45 a.m. in the Seabrook Building every Sunday: 3K-4K (SB 102), K-1st (203), 2nd-3rd (204) and 4-5th (205).

Childcare for children (infant through Pre-K) is available for all worship and education times in the Nursery.

Kids Praise takes place every Sunday of the month (except the first Sunday)! It is a worship experience for children preschool-kindergarten. Pick up is in Grace Hall 122. (Not meeting today).

Youth

Middle School Sunday School will meet in the Basement at 9:45 a.m. High School Sunday School will meet on the porch of Grace Hall at 9:45 a.m. This is a location change! There will be treats!

Adults

Academy of St. John (SB 206, 9:30 AM)
Connect 3 (Parlor, 9:30 AM)
The Middle (GH 226, 9:45 AM)
Youngish Adults (GH 221/23/225, 9:45 AM)
Bible for Everyone (SB 210, 9:45 AM)

KIDS IN WORSHIP

Children's activities, Bibles and Bible story books are provided for children at the back of the Sanctuary on both sides and in the balcony.

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.

HEARING DEVICES

Available in the narthex.

PASTORAL CARE

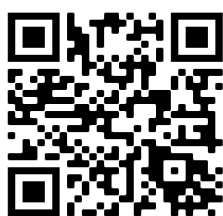
If you or someone you know is in need pastoral care, please inform the office at 843-884-4612 so that we can have a pastor visit or reach out in times of difficulty.

FLOWERS

The flowers in worship are given to glory of God and in loving memory of Charles Cannon Sullivan III by Alice Sullivan and Suzy Edwards.

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 10/13/24
Total Giving & Other Revenue	\$ 1,723,941	\$ 60,164
Total Expenses	\$ 1,818,914	\$ 18,042
Operating Cash Balance including below transfer at 10/13/24		\$44,713
Transferred from Temporarily Restricted to Operations (ERTC)		\$130,263

ADOPT A DAY AT HOPE HOUSE

OCTOBER 24
In Honor of Hope House; Given by Kathryn Deleot

OCTOBER 31
In Honor of Mark Davidson; Given by The Davidson Family

OCTOBER 24
In Honor of our daughter Chandler Edwards, on her 10th birthday; Given by Will and Katie Edwards

Visit mppc.net/hope-house for more information.

STEWARDSHIP



Please visit onrealm.org/mppc/AddPledge/2025 or scan the QR above to submit your Estimate of Giving for 2025. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun., Oct. 20, 8-12:30
Pack Hygiene Kits
(FH Porch)

Sun., Oct. 20, 4 p.m.
New Member Class
(See "I'm New" Section)

Fri., Oct. 25
Tartan Flag Deadline
(See Announcement)

Sun., Oct. 27
Consecration Sunday
(Sanctuary)

Sun., Oct. 27, 4 p.m.
Fall Festival
(MPPC)

Mon., Oct. 28, 12 p.m.
Third Act
(Fellowship Hall)

Fri., Nov. 8, 5:30 p.m.
Pacesetters
(Fellowship Hall)

See more details at
mppc.net/events/

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Order your Tartan Flag** for the 2025 Kirkin O' Tartan celebration! The deadline for ordering is October 25. Visit <https://greatscotintl.com/collections/banners-flags> to order. Cost: \$115 per Tartan Flag, includes Flag, pole, finial and stand. Pay online at tinyurl.com/KirkinOrder25 or drop off payment to office ATTN: Glenn Hair "Kirkin Flag Purchase." Questions: Gail Morrill gmorrill@homesc.com, Cheryl Clark Cherylclark@gmail.com.
- **Consecration Sunday** services will be held on Sunday, Oct. 27th at 8:30 and 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Please join us at either of these services to reflect on the ways that you may want to give toward the mission and ministry of God's Kingdom and Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church, and we will be asking God to bless the pledges we have received and those that we hope to still receive. In between services, we will hold a **special breakfast** in the Fellowship Hall featuring a **combined Sunday School lesson** for all adult classes! This will be a great opportunity to enjoy an intergenerational meal while having meaningful prayer and conversations about the ways we can be more intentional about stewardship this coming year.
- Registration for the **2025 Women's Retreat** closes on Nov. 17, 2024. The retreat will be held January 24-26 at West Beach Conference Center on Kiawah. The cost is \$195. There is also a Saturday only rate of \$140 which includes breakfast and lunch. Register at mppc.net/event/womens-retreat.
- We need help from the whole church! In preparation for the Fall Festival on October 27th, we are holding a **food drive!** For the next three weeks, please bring in canned goods and non-perishable items and put them in our labeled bins in the FH entrance and the main office. The youth and children will help pack them into bags during the Fall Festival and everything will then be donated to ECCO! The more donations we get, the better!
- MPPC and The Learning Center invite you to an afternoon of festivities! We will be hosting our annual **Fall Festival** on Sunday, Oct. 27 from 4-6 p.m. in the MPPC Parking Lot! There will be hot dogs, snacks, cotton candy, face painting, a pumpkin crawl, and games and activities for all ages. We will also have Golf Cart Trunk or Treat.
- Help us **pack Hygiene Kits for Helene Relief** before/after each service today on the Fellowship Hall Porch. Bags, supplies, and instructions will be available. Come before church or after; help put together a hygiene kit! One load of cleanup buckets and hygiene kits was shipped out last week, and we have plenty of supplies to fill another load. But we need some help to get the kits ready. We need a few more supplies to complete the cleanup buckets, so if your group would like to fill them next week, contact Pastor Bart or Caroline Feller to schedule an opportunity to fill the cleanup buckets.

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, 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 quarterly newsletter, *The Pelican*, at mppc.net/newsletter or subscribe to our weekly e-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.
- Our next **New Inquirers Class** will be held on Sunday, Oct. 20 from 4-7 p.m. in Grace Hall 123-125. A light meal will be provided. This class is open to anyone in the community who is interested in learning more about MPPC. There is no pressure to join the church, although we would love to have you! Register for the class at mppc.net/events.
- Call us at 843-884-4612.