

Mountain View Presbyterian Church
The Lord's Day

March 16, 2025

10:15 am

* Please stand if you are able.

We invite you to prepare your heart & mind quietly before Worship in the Sanctuary.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & PASSING THE PEACE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Take this time to meet & greet those seated around you.

CALL TO WORSHIP / REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?
God is our shelter and refuge on the days of trouble,
and our hope and joy on the days of celebration!

Day after day, we seek God's face and the assurance of God's holy love:
O God, do not turn from us or hide your face from us!
Be our guide and our light instead!

One thing we ask of God:
That we may live in God's dwelling place all the days of our life,
and never cease to behold the beauty of God's home.

Beloved of God, enter this worship in thanksgiving,
for God is among and within us!
Thanks be to God!

* HYMN #487

Words on the Screen

When Morning Gilds the Skies

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the ages, and God of all generations, we come before you—rather ashamed of our actions, our hopes, and plans for the future in the frenzied pace of our life. We have not given space or time for the wonder of worshipping you — we are like our ancestors who have gone before us! We have not placed you at the centre of our life, or at the centre of our heart and mind. We have not learned from either our ancestors' mistakes, or our own mistakes. Help us once again, Lord to repent. May we look again to Christ our Savior for hope and guidance. Merciful God, heal us, forgive us and renew us. 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 27: 1-9

Old Testament page 476

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Dimensions of Love"
by Tom Fettke & Thomas Grassi

Westminster Choir

SCRIPTURE

Luke 13: 31-35

New Testament page 72

* DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

SERMON

Christ within Conflict: Civil Leadership

Pastor Jim Webb

PASTORAL PRAYER / LORD'S PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Lamb of God"
By Cathy Moglebust

Joyful Ringers

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Theological Declaration of Barmen 8.10 – 8.12

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me." (John 14.6). "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door, but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. . . . I am the door; if anyone enters by me, he will be saved." (John 10:1, 9)

Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death.

We reject the false doctrine, as though the church could and would have to acknowledge as a source of its proclamation, apart from and besides this one Word of God, still other events and powers, figures and truths, as God's revelation.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 3: 17- 4:1

New Testament page 187

* HYMN #387

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Words on the Screen

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

BENEDICTION

CLOSING MUSIC

Participants in today's service are:

Kathryn Dunlevy-Wilson

Liturgist

Mira Mintcheva

Organ

Susan Chapman

Handbell Director

David McArthur

Music Ministry Director



Worship Content & Last-Minute Announcements

Those desiring to know the lyrics to Special Music provided by the Westminster Choir, Praise Team, etc. may scan the QR Code to access them. Any last-minute Announcements will also be available.

Little Ones and Worship

At MVPC, we love your children and we love to see families worshipping together! We also understand that children are at different development stages, so we have the MVPC Kid's Worship Training area and the Family Worship Room.

The *MVPC Kid's Worship Training Area* is located in the lobby area to the right of the Sanctuary doors. Items to help children understand the elements of worship are available as well as comfortable seating for children & adults.

The *Family Worship Room* is for very small children or ones needing a private area to change diapers, nurse, etc. (Room 110 / Nursery - please ask a Greeter to show you the way to the room in the Children's Hallway.)



MVPC

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The Reverend James H. Webb

Commissioned Pastor Larry Shores

The Reverend Tracee Hackel, Volunteer Theologian in Residence

The Reverend Robert D. Dooling, Pastor Emeritus

The Reverend Gary LeTourneau, Pastor Emeritus

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Announcements

1. Friendship Sign-In

As you enter worship, please sign the Friendship Sign-In located at the entrance to the Sanctuary. It's a small thing but very important. If you are a non-member or visitor, please let us know you were here with your information. We would love to connect with you! Thank you!

2. Level Up Discipleship Classes

Classes have just begun for our Lenten Season. We encourage you to join us as we learn and grow!

- **Sunday Class - "Bonhoeffer: Faith, Resistance, and The Cost of Discipleship" w/ Pastor Emeritus Bob Dooling & Pastor Tracee Hackel**
Sundays @ 11:30 am in Room 100 – **FREE** Sandwich lunch will be offered
- **Women's Study: "When You Pray" w/ Terry Shores**
Tuesdays @ 6:30pm in Meeting Room 1
- **Men's Study: "Life Together" w/ Pastor Larry Shores**
Tuesdays @ 6:30pm in Library
- **Spirit Filled Living: "Creating a Life with GOD" w/ Pastor Jim Webb**
Thursdays @ 1:00pm in Meeting Room 1

3. Lenten Devotional & Prayer Calendar – NEW EACH SUNDAY

You are invited to participate in a routine of prayers and shared devotion. We will be using the book, *God is on the Cross*, which is comprised of a selection of writings by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Each week there will be one of these devotions for the upcoming week with which we encourage you to engage with others. There will also be prayer suggestions throughout the week which invite you to pray for the persecuted church and the persecutors. Rather than the usual giving up of a valued habit or luxury (like chocolate or television) for the Lenten season, consider giving up some of your time to connect with one or more others to consider the featured devotion. You may pick up your devotional at the Lobby Table, Church Office, or Online at our website for each week. The Calendar of Prayer for the Persecuted Church is on the back.

4. MVPC Bunco Party

Come play Bunco on Saturday, March 29th at 1:00pm in the Life Center. There will be snacks and drinks provided. Players are asked to bring a non-perishable food item for the House of Neighborly Service. All are welcome – whether you have played before or not!

5. WANTED – Facilities Manager for MVPC

We are in the search for a Facilities Manager – 40 hours/week. If you or someone you know is interested, please have them apply. Applications and Job Description are located in the Church Office.

6. HNS Donations

Carts for donations to House of Neighborly Service are located in the Lobby and across from the Reception Desk in the Church Office. Thank you for continuing to remember others.

7. TLC Prayer List

To place a name on the TLC list you must first have permission from the individual.

Please fill out the card found in the pew card-holder or on the Sanctuary Lobby table area and place in the offering plate, email tlcprayer@mymvpc.com, or call the office to give the information to the receptionist. **PLEASE NOTE that management of the TLC is done during Church Office hours. If you have an emergency TLC request such as hospitalization or death during closed hours or the weekend – please contact the Pastoral staff directly.** A PAPER COPY of the MVPC Weekly TLC Prayer List may be picked up at the Church Office Receptionist Desk during the week.

Weekly Schedule

SUN 3/16	10:15 am 11:30 am	WORSHIP Bonhoeffer – Faith, Resistance, and the Cost of Discipleship w/ Pastor Emeritus Bob Dooling & Pastor Tracee Hackel	Sanctuary Room 100
MON 3/17	5:00 pm	NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE Handbell Rehearsal	Chapel
TUES 3/18	9:30 am 1:30 pm 3:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm	Staff Meeting PP&C Committee Meeting Stewardship & Finance Committee Meeting Men's Bible Study: 1 Peter Women's Bible Study: When You Pray	Meeting Room 1 Meeting Room 1 Library Library Meeting Room 1
WED 3/19	8:00 am 12:30 pm 1:00 pm 6:30 pm	Men's Breakfast Burrito Making for Community Kitchen Jim Work's Poetry Hour Westminster Choir Rehearsal	Village Inn Kitchen Room 100 Sanctuary
THURS 3/20	1:00 pm 3:00 pm 7:00 pm	SFL: "Creating a Life with GOD" w/ Pastor Jim Webb GG's (Gratitude & Grace) Session	Meeting Room 1 Parlor Room 100
FRI 3/21		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
SAT 3/22			
SUN 3/23	10:15 am 11:30 am	WORSHIP Bonhoeffer – Faith, Resistance, and the Cost of Discipleship w/ Pastor Emeritus Bob Dooling & Pastor Tracee Hackel	Sanctuary Room 100

When Morning Gilds the Skies

1 When morning gilds the skies,
My heart awaking cries:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer
To Jesus I repair:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

2 Does sadness fill my mind?
A solace here I find:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

3 Let earth's wide circle round
In joyful notes resound:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Let air and sea and sky
From depth to height reply:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

4 Be this, while life is mine,
My canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song
Through all the ages long:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Authors: German hymn, Joseph Barnby
Tune Name: LAUDES DOMINI
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Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us

1 Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
Much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
For our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

2 Thou hast promised to receive us,
Poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
Grace to cleanse, and power to free:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Early let us turn to Thee.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Early let us turn to Thee.

3 Early let us seek Thy favor;
Early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior,
With Thy love our bosoms fill:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

Authors: Thrupp's Hymns for the Young, Wm. B. Bradbury-1983) Adapt. Melva W. Costen, 1989
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Psalm 27: 1-9

1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

2 When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh— my adversaries and foes— they shall stumble and fall.

3 Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

4 One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

5 For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

6 Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

7 Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!

8 "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, Lord, do I seek.

9 Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

Luke 13: 31-35

31 At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you."

32 He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work.

33 Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.'

34 Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your

children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

35 See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.' "

Philippians 3: 17 – 4:1

17 Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us.

18 For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears.

19 Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things.

20 But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

21 He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself.

1 Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.