



*Grounded in the grace of God,
we are a vibrant Christian community,
disciples of all ages, gathered for worship and nurture,
scattered to serve and to love.*
MPC Mission Statement adopted by the Session March 31, 2008

WORSHIP for
FIFTH SUNDAY
after PENTECOST
JUNE 28, 2026 ~ 10:30 A.M.

GATHERING

WORDS of WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Tom Kort

MINUTE for MINISTRY

PNC Update

David Hough & Nancy McHenry

PRELUDE — *Chaconne in G minor* - Louis Couperin

Yun Kang

CALL to WORSHIP

Wendy Yazujian, Liturgist

One: Return to the Lord with all your heart,

All: For God is gracious and merciful.

One: Through Christ, we are reconciled to God.

All: This is not our own doing, but a gift from God.

One: Come, let us worship and praise our God!

HYMN — *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let the Redeemer's name be sung through every land, in every tongue.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

In cheerful sound all voices raise and fill the world with joyful praise.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends thy word:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYER of CONFESSION

God our Redeemer, we confess that we want you to show us your mercy, but we fail to show mercy to others. Forgive us, God of grace. Cleanse our hearts and renew our spirits so that we know once again the joy of your saving love. Hear us as we silently confess our sin.

SILENT PRAYERS of CONFESSION *Here each worshiper may offer silent prayers of confession.*

PROMISE of FORGIVENESS

One: Who is in a position to condemn us, only Christ. Christ lived for us, Christ died for us, Christ was raised to new life for us. Christ prays for us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

RESPONSE to GOD'S GRACE — *Glory to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

LITURGY of the WORD

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON — *Psalm 28:6-9*

One: Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard the sound of my pleadings.

All: **The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts; so I am helped, and my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.**

One: The Lord is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

All: **O save your people, and bless your heritage; be their shepherd, and carry them forever.**

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

TIME for YOUNG DISCIPLES

Dale Perry

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON — *Hebrews 12:1-2*

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Who is in Your Balcony?

Rev. Dr. Kort

HYMN — *Jesus Calls Us*

GALILEE

*Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."*

*Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us, saying "Christian, love me more."*

*In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."*

*Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.*

AFFIRMATION of FAITH — from *Scots Confession, 1560*

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

THE 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.

OFFERING

Invitation to Give

Offertory Music — *Here I Am, Lord* - arr. Mark Hayes

Doxology — *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

YOUTH-IN-MISSION COMMISSIONING

Heidi Dous

We rejoice for your dedication and gift of service. We send you out with our prayers and our love. We pray God's blessing may be with you in your work and worship. We look forward to welcoming you home upon your return.

S E N D I N G

HYMN — *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

BEECHER

*Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace,
we respond with deep commitment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend,
equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.*

*Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth.
Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old,
blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.*

*Thus new patterns for Christ's mission, in a small or global sense,
help us bear each other's burdens, breaking down each wall or fence.
Words of comfort, words of vision, words of challenge, said with care,
bring new power and strength for action, make us colleagues, free and fair.*

*So God grant us for tomorrow ways to order human life
that surround each person's sorrow with a calm that conquers strife.
Make us partners in our living, our compassion to increase,
messengers of faith, thus giving hope and confidence and peace.*

CHARGE *and* BLESSING

POSTLUDE — *Triumphal March* - Théodore Dubois

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Please note all announcements for Sunday bulletins are due by noon the Tuesday before they are to be published. Please email announcements to Bulletin@MPCusa.org.*

TODAY'S CHANCEL FLOWERS

The chancel flowers are offered to the glory of God and are given by Carolle Maust in loving memory of her husband, Robert Maust Jr. The second arrangement is given by Bill Burgess: "Celebrating all those who volunteer to make MPC a better place."

FELLOWSHIP HOUR TODAY

During the summer months, fellowship hour after worship will be held on a limited basis. There is Fellowship Hour scheduled for today.

TODAY! SUPPORT YOUTH-IN-MISSION'S 2026 TRIP TO WEST VIRGINIA!

Every year our church commissions a group of teens and adults to travel to Pipestem, West Virginia and make home repairs for residents in need. Please join us today at our car wash following worship service. As always, the Youth-in-Mission appreciate your ongoing and generous support.

PCUSA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The 227th PCUSA General Assembly continues this week in Milwaukee, WI as Presbyterian delegates from all across America gather to address major issues and concerns facing the church today. The GA officially ends on July 2. Please visit pcusa.org for links to additional information.

Announcement from the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)

It is with great pleasure that we announce our search process has led us to a final candidate for Senior Pastor/Head of Staff. Guided by the congregation's Mission Study preferences for the qualities they sought in a senior pastor and their vision for the future of Morrisville Presbyterian Church, the PNC completed a thorough and prayerful discernment process over the past eight months.

We conducted a nationwide search and reviewed thirty-four highly qualified candidates through both the Presbyterian Church Leadership Connection website and networking personally with pastors throughout the east coast, our Presbytery, Princeton Seminary and local churches. Through multiple interviews, extensive reference checks, and informal meetings over lunches and dinners, we carefully evaluated all the candidates. After much prayer, discussion, and discernment, the PNC unanimously selected a candidate for this important leadership role, and we are honored and thrilled to introduce this pastor to our congregation.

The PNC is planning for the Senior Pastor/Head of Staff candidate to participate and preach during the worship service on July 26. There will be an informal meet and greet in the Memorial Garden (weather permitting) or lounge prior to the service at 9:30 a.m. for MPC members to meet this candidate on a more casual, personal level prior to the service. The Morrisville Presbyterian Church Session has called for a congregational meeting to be held immediately following the worship service on Sunday, July 26, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Pastor Nominating Committee and voting to elect the next Senior Pastor/Head of Staff of Morrisville Presbyterian Church. After the congregational meeting, there will be an all-church picnic in the Memorial Garden to celebrate this momentous occasion. We look forward to sharing detailed information about our candidate and the events planned for July 26 in the coming weeks. If approved, the new senior pastor would start on Monday, August 31.

All members of the congregation are encouraged to attend the events on July 26. Members who are unable to attend the worship service or congregational meeting in person may watch the service online and cast their vote by emailing votempcseniorpastor@gmail.com.

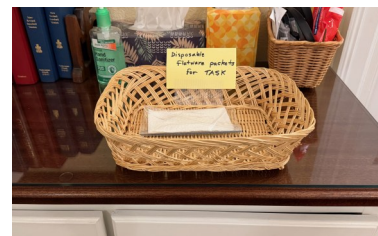
Sincerely,
Dave Hough and Nancy McHenry
Co-chairs of the Pastor Nominating Committee.

KEEP US BLOOMING THIS SUMMER: CHANCEL FLOWERS NEEDED IN JULY

If you would like to give flowers on a Sunday in July, please contact DeeAnn Martin at 215-493-3865 or deemar918@aol.com. The cost of an arrangement is \$37 and may be given in memory of a loved one, in celebration of a special event, or in gratitude for an act of kindness or ministry. Not only do these flowers add beauty to our Sunday worship services, they also go forward as an outreach ministry to our MPC family.

DISPOSABLE FLATWARE PACKETS FOR TASK

Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK) routinely needs to purchase more than 10,000 packets of plastic flatware to distribute with their food. If you have a supply of unopened packets at home from takeout food purchases, we will gladly take them off your hands. A basket for your donations will be on the cabinet in the narthex as you exit the sanctuary.



FOOD CENTER'S SUMMER REQUEST

Over the next few summer months, the requested food donation is whatever you may wish to donate. Items should be shelf-stable and non-perishable. Donated items should not be in glass containers. A marked shopping bin has been put in the Welcome Center to receive your donations. Thank you for your continued generosity!

CASHIERS NEEDED

MPC supports the commissary at the Morrisville Presbyterian Apartments through donations of money and service. Currently three MPC members volunteer a few hours per month as cashiers on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons. If you are available to help out or simply want more information, please contact Carol Carpenter at carol.w.carpenter@gmail.com or 267-243-1951.

DEACON'S BACKPACK DRIVE

Now is the time to help gather school supplies for our Deacons' Backpack Drive! These donations will directly support elementary students in our community who face financial hardship and need extra help preparing for the school year. A collection bin will be available in the Welcome Center for donated items starting in July. Cash donations may be placed in the offering plate or sent to MPC by mail or online.

If you'd like to purchase a new backpack to fill, here's a list of requested items:

- No 2 pencils
- Black or blue pens
- 1 permanent marker
- Pencil sharpeners
- Small pack of crayons
- Small pack of colored pencils
- Pack of graph paper
- Ruler
- 2 three-subject spiral notebooks
- 5 plastic subject folders
- Pack of wide-ruled notebook paper
- Scotch tape

All backpacks will be blessed during our service on August 16 and distributed before the start of the new school year. Please contact Paula Marseglia at 267-303-6133 or email Paula307@comcast.net. Thank you for your generosity and for helping our local students begin the year equipped and ready to learn!

MPC Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY, June 28

10:30 a.m.	Worship Service with Youth in Mission (YIM) Commissioning	Sanctuary & Livestream
11:30	YIM Car Wash	Parking Lot
Noon	Adonai Tabernacle	Chapel

MONDAY, June 29

6:30 p.m.	Mostly Motets	Music Room
7:00	Food Center Food Packing	Room 4

TUESDAY, June 30

9:00 a.m.	Food Center Produce Prep	Room 4
4:00 p.m.	Community Meal Prep & Serve	Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, July 1

9:00 a.m.	Food Center Distribution	Parking Lot
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THURSDAY, July 2

FRIDAY, July 3

SATURDAY, July 4

SUNDAY, July 5

10:30 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestream
Noon	Adonai Tabernacle	Chapel

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