



*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.*
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WORSHIP *for*
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
after PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 2, 2025 ~ 10:30 A.M.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

GATHERING

WORDS *of* WELCOME

Rev. Alex Lester-Abdalla

PRELUDE — *Let All Things Now Living* - arr. Lloyd Larson

Yun Kang

INTROIT — *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* - OLD HUNDREDTH

Chancel Choir

*All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell. Come ye before him and rejoice.*

*O enter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.*

CALL *to* WORSHIP

Christopher Bannister, Liturgist

One: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

All: The Holy God is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One: Come let us lift our voices in praise and adoration of our God. Let us worship God.

HYMN — *Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show*

LLANFAIR

*Praise the Lord! God's glories show, Alleluia!
saints within God's courts below, Alleluia!
angels round the throne above, Alleluia!
all who see and share God's love. Alleluia!*

*Earth to heaven exalt the strain, Alleluia!
Send it, heaven, to earth again, Alleluia!
Age to age, God's mercies trace, Alleluia!
Praise God's providence and grace! Alleluia!*

*Strings and voices, hands and hearts, Alleluia!
in the concert, bear your parts, Alleluia!
All that breathes, your Lord adore, Alleluia!
singing praise forevermore, Alleluia!*

PRAYER *of* CONFESSION

Gracious God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden, help us not to try and hide from your presence, or ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been. Help us to amend what we are and direct us to what we shall be. May we delight in your will and walk in your ways, as silently we 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. And Christ lived for us, Christ died for us, Christ was raised to new life for us. Friends believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

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

ANTHEM — *Vencerá el Amor (Love Shall Overcome)* - Carlos Colón

*Love shall overcome even when the storm is raging,
Though the night is long, still God's power is unchanging.
Love shall overcome: after nights of bitter weeping,
there comes a brighter dawn for saints of God's own choosing.
Love shall overcome: from these chains our God will free us.
When we pray as one, Jesus will redeem us.
As the tears we cried will be a precious offering.
And the peace of Christ shall reign for ever.*

—Carlos Colón/ English text by Greg Scheer

TIME for YOUNG DISCIPLES

SCRIPTURE READING — *Romans 1:7*

Rev. Dr. Tom Kort

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

MEDITATION

Instant Sainthood

Rev. Dr. Kort

HYMN — *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*

GRAND ISLE

*I sing a song of the saints of God,
patient and brave and true,
who toiled and fought and lived and died
for the Lord they knew.
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,
and one was a shepherdess on the green:
they were all of them saints of God, and I mean,
God helping, to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear,
and God's love made them strong;
and they followed the right, for Jesus' sake
the whole of their good lives long.
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest,
and one was slain by a fierce wild beast:
and there's not any reason,
no, not the least,
why I shouldn't be one too.

They lived not only in ages past;
there are hundreds of thousands still;
the world is bright with the joyous saints
who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea,
in church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;
for the saints of God are just folk like me,
and I mean to be one too.*

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. Amen.

OFFERING

Invitation to Give

Offertory Music — *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* - arr. Frederick Maker

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.*

S A C R A M E N T *o f t h e* L O R D ' S S U P P E R

INVITATION

PRAYER *of* GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

WORDS *of* INSTITUTION

COMMUNION *of the* PEOPLE

MUSIC *during* COMMUNION — *One Bread, One Body* - John B. Foley

S E N D I N G

ALL SAINTS' PRAYER

HYMN — *For All the Saints*

SINE NOMINEE

Congregation and Choir
*For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Choir only
*Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Choir only
*O blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle; they in glory shine;
yet all are one in Thee for all are Thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Choir only
*And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Congregation and Choir
*From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia!*

CHARGE and BLESSING

BENEDICTION RESPONSE — Dresden Amen

POSTLUDE — Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus - James Mansfield

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 George Mershon in loving memory of his wife, Wendi. The second arrangement is “given with immense gratitude for our health, our family, and our friends by Suzanne and Frank Barletto on our 75th birthdays.”

TODAY IS ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

In the reformed tradition, a saint is not someone who led a perfect life, but a believer who sought to faithfully follow Christ. Today we remember:

Nancy Ackerman
Frank and Carmella Barletto
John Buschman
Betsy Jurey
Ron Kehler
Jeffrey Kilborn
Walter and Annette Kopistansky
Bill Kynett

Kathryn Larkin
Warren McGary
Barbara Morris
Katherine Prosser
Jane Randall
Rev. Glen O. Stoddard
Dorothy Ward
David Yantz

The Morrisville Presbyterian saints who from their labors rest, and now in glory shine. Thanks be to God.

JOIN BROWN BAG BIBLE STUDY

Join Rev. Dr. Carter Lester and others for Brown Bag Bible Study each Wednesday from noon to 1:00 p.m. You can come in person or join take a lunch break with MPC and join us by Zoom — contact the office for the Zoom link. This Wednesday, November 5, we will be looking at Acts 9:32-10:48, focusing on the famous disciple, Peter, and the far less famous disciples, Tabitha and Cornelius.

CHANCEL FLOWERS NEEDED IN NOVEMBER

If you would like to give flowers on a Sunday in November, please contact DeeAnn Martin at 215-493-3865 or email 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 (It is the month of Thanksgiving!) for a person, act of kindness, or ministry. These flowers not only add beauty to our worship service, but they also go forward as an outreach ministry to our church family.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT!

Ladies Bunco Night hosted by Lisa Zazzu on Wednesday, November 19 from 6:30 - ?. Text Lisa at 267-994-2153 to RSVP. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

NOVEMBER FOOD CENTER REQUEST

Shelf stable milk or canned evaporated milk is the requested item for the month of November. Donated items may be placed in the shopping cart located in the Welcome Center. As always, thank you for your generosity and continued support!

REBECCA CIRCLE

Looking for a way to share faith, fun and fellowship? Come give Rebecca Circle a try! We meet in the lounge, September through May, on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Experience different programs each month ranging from spiritual, informative, hands on to just plain fun. Come as you are. No experience necessary. All women of MPC are welcome. For information call or text Jen Jones 215 962-3655.

MPC BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP'S NEXT READING

The MPC Book Discussion Group will meet Monday evenings, in the conference room, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be on December 1 to discuss *Man's Search for Meaning* by Viktor E. Frankl. Psychiatrist Viktor Frankl's memoir has riveted generations of readers with its descriptions of life in Nazi death camps and its lessons for spiritual survival. Based on the author's own experience and the experiences of others he treated later in his practice, Frankl argues that we cannot avoid suffering but we can choose how to cope with it, find meaning in it, and move forward with renewed purpose.

More reading selections will be announced soon. For more information, please contact Shellie Stoddard at stoddard.shellie@gmail.com.

You may drop
off your items
at the MPC
parking lot
from 9:00 a.m.
until 10:30 a.m.
Thank you!



**CLOTHING, BOOK,
& HOUSEHOLD
ITEMS DRIVE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

SCOUT TROOP 3

morrisvillescouts.org



MPC Welcomes New Members

Please extend an especially warm welcome to our new members who joined Morrisville Presbyterian Church last Sunday: Libby and Ty Bostain, and Dale Perry. What a joy it is to welcome new friends into our mission and ministry here at MPC!



MPC to be the most inviting and family-friendly option to call home. They are looking forward to adding to the storied history of the church.

Libby and Ty Bostain recently moved to Yardley with their two children; Rayland (3) and Abby (1). Libby and Ty moved to Pennsylvania from Skaneateles, NY where they were members of Skaneateles Presbyterian Church. After both receiving their undergrad degrees from Cornell University (and both serving as 4-year Varsity athletes), Libby and Ty both work in the Technology/eCommerce industries with jobs based out of New York City.

Libby & Ty spend most of their free time keeping up with their two small children – their favorite recent hobby is taking the kids out biking down the Canal Tow Path. After moving to the area in January, Libby and Ty explored multiple local churches but found



Dale Kathleen Perry lives in Ewing, New Jersey in her childhood home. Previously she has attended Ewing Presbyterian Church, and more recently has been a member at Flemington Presbyterian Church. She has served as Sunday School Coordinator and played handbells at both EPC and FPC. As an Elder in both churches, she has most often worked with the Personnel Committees. For a time, many years ago, Dale did attend MPC and always knew she would return someday. With a degree in history and political science, Dale retired from the NJ Division of Criminal Justice and currently is employed part time as the Business Manager for Preservation New Jersey, a state-wide nonprofit organization. She

also works as a copy editor and writes articles and fiction in her spare time.

Dale enjoys patio gardening, reading, cross stitch, and spending time with animals – large and small. She is happy to return to MPC where there is such a wonderful sense of community, a great music program (handbells!), an inspirational spiritual message each week, and many friendly, welcoming people. She hopes to become involved in activities that allow her to provide her talents to MPC.

WEEKDAY NURSERY SCHOOL HOSTS YOUNG FAMILIES SOCIAL OPPORTUNITY NOVEMBER 6, 2025!

Weekday Nursery School is a thriving pre-school that is part of our MPC family and operates out of the Education Wing of MPC. This year, WNS parent representatives began hosting a parent coffee for parents to gather, share information, and build relationships after they drop off their children at the school. As WNS families are invited to MPC multi-generational events, WNS is inviting MPC young families to join them. Moms and dads, and their children under 4 years of age, are invited to the next scheduled Parent Coffee scheduled for November 6, 2025. If you are interested in learning more about WNS, or just want to meet other parents with young children, this is a great opportunity. Please use the [Sign-up Genius at this link](#) to RSVP.

Coffee & Conversation

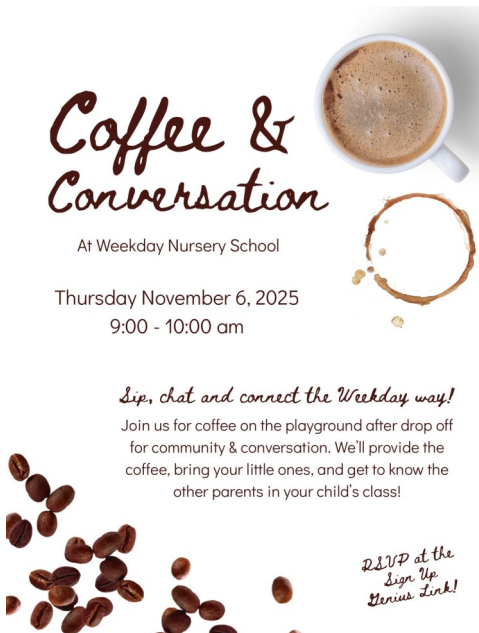
At Weekday Nursery School

Thursday November 6, 2025
9:00 - 10:00 am

Sip, chat and connect the Weekday way!

Join us for coffee on the playground after drop off for community & conversation. We'll provide the coffee, bring your little ones, and get to know the other parents in your child's class!

*RSVP at the
Sign Up
Genius Link!*



MPC Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY, November 2

All Saints' Sunday

8:30 a.m.	God's Thunder Rehearsal	Room 121
9:30	Sunday School for all ages	
10:30	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestream
11:30	Fellowship Time	Lounge
11:45	Youth Choir	Music Room
Noon	Adonai Tabernacle	Room 220
Noon	Deacon Meeting	Conference Room

MONDAY, November 3

6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Pack 3	Rooms 122 & 220
6:30	Mostly Motets	Music Room
6:30	Scout Troop 3	Fellowship Hall
6:30	Pastor Nominating Committee	Room 200
7:00	Food Packing	Room 4
7:30	Personnel Committee	Zoom

TUESDAY, November 4

9:00 a.m.	Produce Prep	Room 4
10:00	Weekday Nursery	Room 220
	School Projects	
7:00 p.m.	Food Center Distribution	Parking Lot

WEDNESDAY, November 5

9:00 a.m.	Food Center Distribution	Parking Lot
Noon	Brown Bag Bible Study	Conference Room & Zoom

WEDNESDAY, November 5 (continued)

6:00 p.m.	Youth Club	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Girl Scout Troop 2888	Room 220
7:15	Chancel Chimes Rehearsal	Room 121

THURSDAY, November 6

10:00 a.m.	Clothing Center	Room 4
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Music Room

FRIDAY, November 7

Women's Retreat begins	Offsite
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SATURDAY, November 8

Women's Retreat	Offsite
9:00 a.m. Newtown Quilters Guild	Conference Room

SUNDAY, November 9

Women's Retreat ends		Offsite
8:30 a.m.	God's Thunder Rehearsal	Room 121
9:30	Sunday School for all ages	
10:30	Worship Service	Sanctuary & Livestream
11:30	Fellowship Time	Lounge
11:45	Youth Choir	Music Room
Noon	Adonai Tabernacle	Room 220

Want to know when a future event is taking place or want to book a room for your committee or group? Check out the MPC calendar at mpcusa.org/calendar to see when events takes place and room availability.

Mobile Giving

iPhone



Scan the appropriate QR code with your phone and find MPC by searching code 'FEDN99' or 'Morrisville Presbyterian Church'
Once set up, you can schedule recurring gifts or make one-time offerings with one click!

Need help? Email Office@mpcusa.org and ask that your questions be forwarded to the Stewardship Committee.

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