

Myers Park United Methodist Church



Potluck Mural, David Fitchner

A Service of Christian Worship

June 26, 2022

8:30, 9:45, and 11:00 a.m.

Third Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER

Opening Voluntary

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Howard Helvy

Welcome

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

† Call to Worship

Surely the Presence of the Lord

WOLFE

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.**

**I can hear the brush of angel's wings,
I see glory on each face;**

surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

† **Processional Hymn No. 185**

LAUDES DOMINI

When Morning Gilds the Skies
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!

The night becomes as day
when from the heart we say:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
The pow'rs of darkness fear
when this sweet chant they hear:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let all the earth around
ring joyous with the sound:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
In heaven's eternal bliss
the loveliest strain is this:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine,
my canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this th'eternal song
through all the ages long:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

† **The Creed No. 881**

The 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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.
The third day He rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at 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 Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

† **Gloria Patri No. 71**

GREATOREX

**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 of Confession

**Holy God, breathe new life into us.
Where there is anger, kindle understanding.
Where there is fear, fill us with peace.
Where there is division, form us as one
May your love transform us, O Lord. Amen**

Words of Assurance

...In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO THE WORD

The Epistle Reading

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Prayers of the People

After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Offertory

“The Call” from *Five Mystical Songs* (8:30)

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Come, my way, my truth, my life:
such a way, as gives us breath:
such a truth, as ends all strife:
such a life, as killeth death.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength:
such a light, as shows a feast:
such a feast, as mends in length:
such a strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart:
such a joy, as none can move:
such a love, as none can part:
such a heart, as joys in love.

† **Doxology**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

† **Prayer of Dedication**

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

† **Hymn No. 616 (verses 1 and 3)**

HURSLEY

**Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast
Come, sinners, to the gospel feast,
let every soul be Jesus' guest.
Ye need not one be left behind,
for God hath bid all humankind.**

**Come and partake the gospel feast,
be saved from sin, in Jesus rest;
O taste the goodness of our God,
and eat his flesh and drink his blood.**

† **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.*

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

*...Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory are yours, almighty God, now and forever.*

Amen.

† The Lord's Prayer No. 895

Giving and Receiving of Holy Communion

Communion Music

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether (9:45, 11:00)

Harold W. Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in thy name,
two or three are met together, thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluia! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee,
that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.
Alleluia! We will serve thee faithfully.

Prayer after Communion

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

† Closing Hymn No. 209

Blessed Be the God of Israel

MERLE'S TUNE

**Blessed be the God of Israel, who comes to set us free,
who visits and redeems us, and grants us liberty.
The prophets spoke of mercy, of freedom and release;
God shall fulfill the promise to bring our people peace.**

**Now from the house of David a child of grace is given;
a Savior comes among us to raise us up to heaven.
Before him goes the herald, forerunner in the way,
the prophet of salvation, the harbinger of day.**

**On prisoners of darkness the sun begins to rise,
the dawning of forgiveness upon the sinner's eyes,
to guide the feet of pilgrims along the paths of peace;
O bless our God and Savior with songs that never cease!**

† Benediction

† Benediction Response

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore His sacred name.
Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.
The hosts of God in unity combine.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore His sacred name.**

† Closing Voluntary

Concerto in F Major

Johann Gottfried Walther

† Stand as you are able

WORSHIP LEADERS



PREACHER

Dr. James C. Howell, Senior Pastor



LITURGISTS

Dr. Uiyeon Kim, Pastor of Discipleship

Rev. Nancy Watson, Executive Pastor



LAY READERS

Jan Nomina (8:30)

Amy Jo Alspaugh (9:45)

Mary Vásquez (11:00)



MUSICIANS

Dr. Hugh Ferguson Floyd, Director of Music

Evan Wesley Currie, Associate Director of Music and Organist

Sue Bayne, piano

Chancel Choir



AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS

Access Interpreting Services (9:45)

Welcome to

Myers Park United Methodist Church

Welcome! We are thankful you are here worshipping with us. We invite you to register your attendance with us today: <https://form.jotform.com/201695904497164>

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Julia Paige Parrott and Patrick O'Brien which took place yesterday in the sanctuary.

Want to Provide Flowers for the Altar? If you would like to provide altar flowers in memory or honor of a loved one, email Peg Broughton at peg@mpumc.org. Available dates: July 3, 10, 17, and 31.

Children's Ministries Outing at the Charlotte Knights Game: We invite you to join Dr. Howell and Myers Park UMC clergy and staff at Truist Field on Saturday, July 16 at 12:05 p.m. as the Charlotte Knights take on the Lehigh Valley IronPigs. Tickets are \$14 per person. Click [here](#) to order your tickets by **June 28**. For details, email Betsy Scott at bscott@mpumc.org. We look forward to seeing you!

Wednesday Bible Study, June 29, live at 11:00 a.m. and viewable later: Join us as Dr. Howell talks with Rev. Dr. Otto Harris, pastor of St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Charlotte, and Brian Childers, our Director of Music for Children, Youth and Handbells, about what in the Bible has mattered to them lately and why. Watch live on [our website](#), [Facebook](#), or [YouTube](#).

Prayers for Mountain T.O.P. Mission Team: Please pray for our 35 youth who are serving in Mountain T.O.P. in rural Tennessee this week.

A Midsummer Night's Serenade, July 6, 7:00 p.m.: Join Evan Wesley Currie and friends for an evening of patriotic music. Join us in the sanctuary, or click [here](#) to watch online.

Sole Friends, July 9, 9:00 a.m., McAlpine Greenway: Join us to step out in nature and explore the beauty of God's creation together. All fitness levels are welcome! [Click here for more information and to register](#). If you have any questions, email Parish Nurse Lauren Smith at lsmith@mpumc.org.

Confirmation Registration Open, now-July 15: Rising 8th graders are invited to join our year-long Confirmation class that will meet Sundays 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. beginning September 11. Mandatory retreats are September 23-25 and April 28-30. When registering, please make sure you register your youth and not yourself. We are still looking for three male small group leaders. If you are interested in being a mentor, email youth@mpumc.org. Click [here](#) to register.

Deep South Pilgrimage, October 19-23: Together with Sanctuary Charlotte Church, we are taking a Deep South Pilgrimage. James E. Ford, an award-winning educator and consultant on issues of equity in education, will guide us as we travel by bus to Montgomery, Selma, Birmingham, and Atlanta to learn from and with one another. Click [here](#) to sign up for the trip.

Funeral Ushers and Hosts Needed: Your gifts of kindness and compassion are greatly needed as we extend hospitality to families in times of pain and loss. To learn more about how you can serve as a funeral usher or reception host/hostess, contact Bill Roth at broth@mpumc.org or 704-295-4835.

Join the Summer Choir: If you've always wanted to sing in the Chancel Choir, here's your chance! Adults of all ages and 6th-12th graders are welcome to join us on Sunday mornings in July. Meet us in the Choir Room at 10:00 a.m. to practice an anthem and then we'll sing and lead hymns in the 11:00 a.m. worship service. No robes or experience required. All are welcome! Questions? Contact Sue Bayne at sbayne@mpumc.org or 704-295-4831.

Goodness Gracious: Did you know we're on Instagram? Follow us @goodnessgraciousgifts to see what's new! And come see us! We're open Sunday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Maybe I'm Amazed - A Podcast with Dr. James Howell: In this episode, Dr. Howell speaks with Gary Chapman, New York Times bestselling author of *The 5 Love Languages* series, retired pastor, and the director of Marriage and Family Life Consultants. Click [here](#) to listen and subscribe.

Your ongoing generosity to our church's [Operating Fund](#) makes it possible for our six musical ensembles to bless us with their beautiful sounds in worship and beyond. In addition, your offerings enable our Music Ministry to offer educational programs and concerts for our church family including our upcoming Midsummer Night's Serenade and Summer Handbell Camps. Make your offering today at www.myersparkumc.org/give or by mail to 1501 Queens Road, Charlotte, NC 28207. Questions about giving opportunities? Contact Jamie Yearwood, Director of Development, at jyearwood@mpumc.org or 704-295-4808.

To stay connected, check out www.myersparkumc.org for a complete list of events and opportunities.



Stephen Ministry congregations equip and empower lay caregivers to provide confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. To learn more about this powerful ministry contact Rev. Bill Roth at broth@mpumc.org.

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TALK WITH A PASTOR

A pastor on staff stands ready to respond to your question or concern.

Those needing immediate pastoral help should call

704-376-8584 and follow the prompts to the pastor on call.

Myers Park United Methodist Church Mission Statement:
We are the body of Christ, growing in faith and serving others.



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