

Myers Park
United Methodist Church



Christ With Children, Christopher Santer

A Service of Christian Worship

February 3, 2019

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

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

WE GATHER

Welcome

Please pass the hospitality pads at this time.

Passing of the Peace

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Opening Voluntary

Cortège et Litanie

Marcel Dupré

† **Call to Worship**

Let us worship God as children!

With wonder and joy.

Let us worship God as youth!

With questions and impatient hearts.

Let us worship God as adults!

With gratitude and discipline.

Let us worship God as elders!

With wisdom and hope.

Let the whole Body of Christ sing praises to God,

From whom all blessings flow!

† **Processional Hymn No. 92**

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

† **The Creed No. 881**

The Apostles' Creed

† **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

Forgive us our sins, O Lord.

**Forgive us the sins of our youth and the sins of our age,
the sins of our soul and the sins of our body,
our secret and our whispering sins,
our presumptuous and our careless sins,
the sins we have done to please ourselves,
and the sins we have done to please others.**

**Forgive us the sins that we know,
and the sins that we know not;
forgive them, O Lord,
forgive them all because of your great goodness.
Through Jesus Christ, our 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.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (9:45)

WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn of Preparation No. 445 (verses 1-2)

Happy the Home When God Is There

ST. AGNES

The Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

† Gospel Reading

Matthew 19:13-15

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.

The Lord's Prayer No. 895

Offertory

Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus

Dan Forrest

Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure,
through a world that would deceive us,
where to sin our hearts are lured.
Ever in his footsteps treading, living here, yet home above,
full of faith and hope and love,
let us do our Father's bidding, faithful Lord, abide with me;
Savior, lead, I follow thee.

Let us also die with Jesus, by his cross he conquered death,
freed us from our souls' destruction,
quicken us with life's new breath.

Let us mortify, while living, self and pride, and die to sin,
and the grave that shuts us in
shall but prove the gate to heaven. Jesus, here I die to thee,
there to dwell eternally.

Let us gladly live with Jesus, he is risen from the dead.
Death is swallowed up in victory, Jesus, thou art now our head.
Living members of thy body, where thou livest, we shall be,
thou wilt keep us constantly,
even so, dear Lord, come quickly, Jesus, here I live to thee,
there to dwell eternally.

† 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 GO OUT TO SERVE

† Closing Hymn No. 660

God Is Here

ABBOT'S LEIGH

† 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**

Grand Jeu

Pierre Du Mage

† Stand as you are able

WORSHIP LEADERS



PREACHER

Rev. Uiyeon Kim, Pastor of Discipleship



LITURGISTS

Rev. Nancy Watson, Executive Pastor

Dr. James C. Howell, Senior Pastor



LAY READER

Chris Teat (8:30), Linda Borders (9:45), Carson Clutter (11:00)



MUSICIANS

Trinity Martin, Interim Director of Handbells

Evan Wesley Currie, Music Associate and Organist

Small Ensemble (8:30)

Chancel Choir (9:45, 11:00)



CRUCIFERS

Jack Griffith (8:30), David Felkner (9:45), Katie Hall (11:00)



ACOLYTES

Emerson Smith and Micah Wilson (8:30)

Virginia Ogburn and Joanna Ogburn (9:45)

Tucker Bryant and Reid Weikel (11:00)



BIBLE CARRIERS

Quinn Wilson (8:30), Lucy Reynolds (9:45), Aubrey Weikel (11:00)

TODAY AT MYERS PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Welcome! We are thankful you are here worshiping with us. Check out the *Guest Information* bookcases in the narthex gathering space outside the Sanctuary or drop by the Welcome Center in the lobby of the Parish Life Building for resources so you can get to know us better. New guests are invited to pick up a complimentary drink tumbler in the Sanctuary narthex.

Holy Communion, Sundays, 9:30 a.m.: Holy Communion is celebrated weekly in Memorial Chapel beside the Sanctuary except when it is given in worship services.

Ride the Sunday Shuttle, Sundays, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.: The shuttle bus runs continually between the church and Myers Park Traditional School at 2132 Radcliffe Avenue off Selwyn Avenue, so you don't have to hunt for a parking space.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism: Receiving the sacrament of Baptism at the 9:45 a.m. service is *Christopher John Nordberg*.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God by *Pushpa and Ernest Chander* in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Blood Drive, today, 7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Youth Building Gym: Walk-ins are welcome! The drive honors Mitchell Bays Turner, who died of leukemia at the age of two.

Scout Sunday, today, 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary: Our Cub Scouts and Scouts will celebrate by attending the 11:00 a.m. worship service. All are invited to attend a Court of Honor to be followed by an Eagle Ceremony at 12:30 p.m. in Jubilee Hall, where the Scouts will be recognized for their achievements and William Bennett will receive the rank of Eagle Scout.

Forward, today, February 3, Rooms 239-240: Fourth and fifth graders are invited to Forward, a ministry for tweens that meets the first Sunday of each month. Bring a friend! Contact Amy Harriman with questions at aharriman@mpumc.org.

No Youth Sunday Night: We will be back Sunday, February 10.

SERVING OTHERS...

‘Riff of Love’, *Monday, February 4, 7:00 p.m., Jubilee Hall:* Greg Jarrell of ministry partner QC Family Tree will present a program based on his book, *A Riff of Love – Notes On Community And Belonging*. Greg will talk about QC Family Tree’s work in the Enderly Park neighborhood of west Charlotte and play the saxophone as he links music and ministry. Learn more at www.myersparkumc.org/riff-of-love.

Wonderfully Made Registration, *Monday, February 4:* Parents of fifth graders, the last day to register for Wonderfully Made is tomorrow. Wonderfully Made, a one-day workshop that explores adolescence, is Sunday, February 24 from 9:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and is \$40 per family. Register on our website. Contact Amy Harriman with questions at aharriman@mpumc.org.

The Martha Circle, *Wednesday February 6, 10:30 a.m., Room 152 (Wesley Sunday School Class):* Evan Currie, our Music Associate and Organist, will share with us his music story, education and philosophy. All are welcome.

Wednesday Bible Study, *weekly, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Room 108:* Dr. Howell will explore *Moments In The Life Of Jesus*. Each week is an independent entity. Come when you can and bring a friend. To make child care reservations, email Lisa Ross-Smit at lrsmit@mpumc.org.

Lenten Small Groups, *registration opens Wednesday, February, 6:* Watch for titles and times on the website at www.myersparkumc.org/small-groups. Classes will begin March 3.

H.O.T. Wednesday: There will be no H.O.T. Wednesday this week. We look forward to welcoming you back on February 13.

Family Movie Night, *Friday, February 8, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Jubilee Hall:* All families are invited to a showing of *The Secret Life of Pets*. Bring a picnic supper and a blanket to sit on. We’ll provide popcorn and drinks. Email Leslie Lowery at llovery@mpumc.org with questions.

Marriage Matters Workshop, *Saturday, February 9, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Room 108:* This marriage workshop, led by Rev. Bill Roth and counselor Bronah Livingston, meets the premarital counseling requirements for those getting married at our church. To preregister, contact Carmen Rivera at crivera@mpumc.org.

Room in the Inn Hygiene Kits, now through February 10: Children's Ministries is looking for travel-sized soap, lotion, shampoo and conditioner to fill hygiene kits for our Room in the Inn guests. Please bring donations of these items to the Children's Ministries office on or before February 10. At this time, we need only the requested items. Contact Heidi Giffin with questions at heidi@mpumc.org.

CPR AED Training Class, February 11, 6:00-9:00 p.m., Rooms 103-104: Class cost is \$40 per person. Payment deadline is Friday, February 8. Register online in Realm. Contact Carmen Rivera at crivera@mpumc.org with questions.

Summer Programs: Registration opens February 11 for Vacation Bible School (June 17-20) and Summer Fun Days (July 8-12 and July 15-19). More information will be available in the coming weeks. Email Amy Harriman at aharriman@mpumc.org with questions.

Wired 4 Ministry, February 12, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.: Come experience the opportunity to understand how God “wired” you to make a difference through your spiritual gifts, heart, abilities, personality, and experiences. Pre-class exercises are required. To register, email Carol Tate at ctate@mpumc.org

WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST...

Border Response, February 17-21, McAllen, Texas: Rev. Nathan Arledge will lead a team to Texas for our next Mexican border experience. Join the team by registering at www.myersparkumc.org/border-response to serve and pray for migrant families detained at the border.

Middle School Mayhem, February 22, 6:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m.: Calling all Middle School youth. Join us for a night at the Charlotte Checkers game. Cost: \$25. Register now open at www.mpumcyouth.org.

February Collection, now through February 28: We are collecting navy sweatshirts (sized to fit elementary and middle school children) for our school partners whose students are chilly this time of year. Look for the labeled collection bins in the lobby to drop off your donation. Contact Julie Wentz with questions at jwentz@mpumc.org.

Uptown Men's Group, Tuesdays, 7:00 a.m., Amelie's French Bakery: Come as often as your schedule allows. Email Justin Lenarcic at jlenarcic@wellsfargo.com to learn more.

Sort Donations at Loaves & Fishes, *every second Wednesday, 9:30-11:30 a.m.*, Loaves & Fishes warehouse at 648 Griffith Road: Come join us at the warehouse to sort donated food. Contact Laura Weller with questions at lauraoweller@yahoo.com.

College Mexico Mission *May 26-June 1, Reynosa, Mexico*: Are you college-age and have a heart for missions? Sign up now to join our team of college students to work alongside Faith Ministries and build friendships while constructing a house. Cost is \$750 including airfare. Register at www.myersparkumc.org/college-mexico.

Jubilee Plus! Giving Fund, *throughout the year*: Funds collected through our second-mile outreach fund help support partners such as NC MedAssist, which works as a “medication bank.” Every \$1 donated provides \$20 in lifesaving medications and over-the-counter products! Give to Jubilee Plus! year-round at www.myersparkumc.org/jubileeplus or write a check to the church with Jubilee Plus! in the memo line, put it in the offering plate, or mail it to the church.

Now Hiring Counselors: Do you love children? Do you like to have fun? If so, you might love to work at Summer Fun Days! Children's Ministries is hiring counselors for a two-week position at elementary Summer Fun Days. Camp is July 8-12 and July 15-19, from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Email Heidi Giffin at heidi@mpumc.org to learn more and apply.



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