

Myers Park  
United Methodist Church



*Life of Mary Magdalene, Lukas Moser*

**A Service of Christian Worship**

**April 7, 2019**

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

**Fifth Sunday in Lent**

**WE GATHER**

**Welcome**

*Please pass the hospitality pads at this time.*

**Passing of the Peace**

**Chiming of the Holy Trinity**

**Opening Voluntary**

I Need Thee Every Hour

arr. Jason Payne

† **Call to Worship**

We seek a path through the raging sea.

**We thirst for water in the parched desert.**

We long for signs of life in the barren wilderness.

**We wait for resurrection in the face of death.**

Pour out your anointing on us here, on us now!

**Let us breathe in the fragrance of your presence**

Together, let us worship the Lord!

† **Processional Hymn No. 172**

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

ELLACOMBE

† **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**

**We confess, Anointed One, that we excuse ourselves**

**from reaching out to those who need your care.**

**We take your words – that the poor will always be with us–**

**as a reason not to try to meet the needs we can.**

**Forgive us, and help us to change.**

**Renew our determination to live as faithful followers**

**who fully receive and share your love.**

**In the silence, show us what we should do without,**

**so that through sacrifice, we can be made your disciples...**

**Words of Assurance**

...In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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**Glory to God. Amen.**

**WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO THE WORD**

† **Gospel Reading**

John 12:1-8

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 Ground

Ola Gjeilo

*Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.  
Osanna in excelsis.  
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.  
Benedictus qui venit. Osanna in excelsis.*

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi.  
Dona nobis pacem.*

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed are they who come in the name of the Lord.  
Blessed are they. Hosanna in the highest.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world  
Grant us Peace.

### † Doxology

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

**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.**

### † Prayer of Dedication

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### † Hymn No. 453 (stanza 1)

More Love to Thee, O Christ

MORE LOVE TO THEE

### † The Great Thanksgiving p. 17-18

† **The Lord's Prayer No. 895**

**Giving and Receiving of Holy Communion**

*Gluten-free wafers are available at the Communion rail.*

**Communion Music**

**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. 203**

My Jesus, I Love The

GORDON

† **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**

Prelude and Fugue in C minor

J.S. Bach

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† Stand as you are able

## **WORSHIP LEADERS**



### **PREACHER**

Rev. Nathan Arledge, Pastor of Missions and Community Outreach

(8:30, 9:45)

Rev. Uiyeon Kim, Pastor of Discipleship

(11:00)



### **LITURGISTS**

Rev. Nancy Watson, Executive Pastor

Rev. Bill Roth, Pastor of Congregational Care



### **LAY READERS**

Dow Bauknight (8:30), Aimee Williams (9:45), David Dulin (11:00)



### **MUSICIANS**

James R. Jones, Director of Music and Organist

Evan Wesley Currie, Music Associate and Organist

Robert Moody, guest conductor

Matthew Buie, guest organist

Small Ensemble (8:30)

Chancel Choir (9:45, 11:00)



### **CRUCIFERS**

Trent Mulligan (8:30), Gracie Deel (9:45), Maggie Whittle (11:00)



### **ACOLYTES**

Emeron Smith and Finley Holzman (8:30)

Ibby Wilson and Sarah Bennett Farlow (9:45)

Elizabeth Beasley and Caroline Beasley (11:00)



### **BIBLE CARRIERS**

Arden Holzman (8:30), Thomas Hamilton (9:45), Meredith Cory (11:00)

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**Welcome to  
Myers Park United Methodist Church**

**Welcome!** We are thankful you are here worshiping with us. Check out the *Guest Information* bookcases in the Sanctuary narthex or drop by the Lobby Welcome

Center for resources so you can get to know us better.

**Ride the Sunday Shuttle, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.:** The shuttle runs continually between the church and Myers Park Traditional School at 2132 Radcliffe Avenue off Selwyn Avenue.

**The Flowers on the Altar** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Kathryn Pritchard Smith* on her birthday and their 50th anniversary by her husband, *Marion "Chip" Smith*.

**The Flowers in the Chapel Narthex** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of *Trudy Lampley* by her family.

**Easter Lilies, now-April 10:** Purchase an Easter lily in honor or memory of a loved one at [www.myersparkumc.org](http://www.myersparkumc.org) or send a check for \$15 per lily to the church along with the name of the person you are honoring/remembering. Dedications will be shared in the Easter Sunday worship bulletins.

**Called Charge Conference, April 14, 12:15 p.m., Memorial Chapel:** The sole purpose of this meeting will be to vote on nominations for the Building Committee.

**Dr. Howell** has been away all this week in Israel, leading a group of pilgrims from our church. He will return to our pulpit next Sunday.

**Prayers for our Confirmands and Mentors, 75** eighth graders and adult mentors are away this weekend on their final Confirmation retreat.

**Forward, today, 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m., 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! Questions? Email Amy Harriman at [aharriman@mpumc.org](mailto:aharriman@mpumc.org).

**Youth Group and Confirmation, tonight, 5:45 p.m.-7:45 p.m., Jubilee Hall:** All are invited. Dinner is pizza, salad, and dessert.

**High School Senior Sunday Registration, registration closes April 8:** Our church wants to honor you and your senior on Sunday, May 5 at our Senior Recognition Sunday. It is our tradition to recognize seniors and their parents with an embroidered blanket during a special presentation in worship. Lunch follows at 12:15 p.m. Register at [www.mpumcyouth.org](http://www.mpumcyouth.org). Email Ellen Spence with questions at [ellenspence@mpumc.org](mailto:ellenspence@mpumc.org).

**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](mailto:lrsmit@mpumc.org).

**H.O.T. Wednesday**, *weekly, 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m., Jubilee Hall*: This week's menu: breakfast-scrambled eggs, bacon, turkey sausage, biscuits, pancakes, grits, hash brown casserole, and assorted donuts. Make reservations at [HotWednesday@mpumc.org](mailto:HotWednesday@mpumc.org) or call 704-376-5520 (option 6) by noon each Tuesday. Cost is \$7/adult, \$5/child, and \$25/family. This will be the last H.O.T. Wednesday of the season.

**Wired 4 Ministry**, *April 9, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m., Room 106*: Learn how God "wired" you to make a difference through your spiritual gifts, heart, abilities, personality, and experiences. Registration and pre-class exercises are required. Email Carol Tate at [ctate@mpumc.org](mailto:ctate@mpumc.org) for details.

**UNCG Chamber Singers Concert**, *April 13, 5:00 p.m., Sanctuary*: The Chamber Singers of UNC-Greensboro will join us in concert. Free event. No tickets required. Email Nancy Hamff at [nancy@mpumc.org](mailto:nancy@mpumc.org) with questions.

**Walk the Labyrinth**, *April 14, 2:00 p.m.-April 20, 2:00 p.m., Francis Chapel*: The newly renovated chapel will be open for walking the labyrinth with Stations of the Cross for Holy Week. Come anytime the church is open to walk and pray.

**Caregivers Support Group**, *April 16, 11:30 a.m. in Room 105 of the Parish Life Building*: Share the challenges and rewards of the experience. Details: Parish Nurse Lauren Smith at 704-295-4836 or [lsmith@mpumc.org](mailto:lsmith@mpumc.org).

**The Children's Circle Preschool Carnival**, *April 27, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.*: Come support our wonderful preschool. There will be rides, games, and food for the whole family. For details and ways you can volunteer, email Sheri Albright at [sherilynnwatson@yahoo.com](mailto:sherilynnwatson@yahoo.com).

**New Members Social**, *April 28, 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Jubilee Hall*: Those who have recently joined the church are invited to meet the pastors, connect with the church, and find your place here. Online reservations required by April 24. Childcare is available with your online reservation.

**Women's Spring Gathering**, *May 2, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in Jubilee Hall*: The United Methodist Women (UMW) will host this intergenerational celebration open

to all women of the church. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served and childcare will be available. Make your online reservation and payment of \$10 by April 26 at [www.myersparkumc.org](http://www.myersparkumc.org). Contact Barbara Barden at 704-295-4815 with questions.

**Camp Tekoa Weekend Registration Open, now-May 10:** The annual Memorial Day church weekend at Camp Tekoa in the N.C. mountains is May 24-26, a time of fellowship, faith, and fun for families and individuals. Deadline to sign up is May 10. Register at [www.myersparkumc.org/children](http://www.myersparkumc.org/children). For details, email Amy Harriman at [aharriman@mpumc.org](mailto:aharriman@mpumc.org).

**Welcome Legal Asylum-Seekers, various Sunday and Monday evenings, 6:40 p.m., Greyhound bus station:** Join us in a ministry of hospitality to hand out food and clothes. Email Janie Reynolds at [jreynolds12@carolina.rr.com](mailto:jreynolds12@carolina.rr.com) with questions.

**April Collection: Items for Asylum-Seekers, now through April 30, Lobby:** We are collecting a specific list of needed items to distribute at the Greyhound bus station to families seeking legal asylum. Visit [www.myersparkumc.org/bus-station](http://www.myersparkumc.org/bus-station) for the list. Drop off donations in the marked bin in the lobby. Email Sarah Giles at [sarahb48@carolina.rr.com](mailto:sarahb48@carolina.rr.com) with questions.

**Sort Donations at Loaves & Fishes, monthly, second Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Loaves & Fishes warehouse:** We meet monthly at the Loaves & Fishes warehouse, 648 Griffith Road, to sort donated food. Email Laura Weller at [lauraoweller@yahoo.com](mailto:lauraoweller@yahoo.com) with questions.

**Save the Date for Freedom School, June 17-July 26:** We're excited to bring a Freedom School site to Marie G. Davis Global Leadership Academy. Plan to serve once or multiple times. Email Susan Scott at [sgsphotography@gmail.com](mailto:sgsphotography@gmail.com) to learn more.

**Jubilee Plus! Giving Fund, throughout the year:** Funds help support partners such as Urban Promise, which empowers youth leaders from local neighborhoods to mentor younger children. Give to Jubilee Plus! year-round online or write a check to the church with Jubilee Plus! in the memo line.

To stay up-to-date on everything happening in the life of our church, visit our website to subscribe to our various weekly e-newsletters.





*Stephen Ministry congregations equip and empower lay caregivers – called Stephen Ministers – to provide confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. Want to talk with a Stephen Minister or learn more about this powerful ministry? Reach Rev. Bill Roth at 704-295-4835 or [broth@mpumc.org](mailto:broth@mpumc.org).*

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

- 8:30 a.m. – Sanctuary Worship
- 8:45 a.m. – Church in the Round – Jubilee Hall
- 9:30 a.m. – Communion – Sanctuary Chapel
- 9:45 a.m. – Sanctuary Worship
- 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary Worship

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

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