

Myers Park United Methodist Church



Maritime, Lindsay Hawfield Jones

A Service of Christian Worship

July 7, 2019

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

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER

Welcome

Please pass the hospitality pads at this time.

Passing of the Peace

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Opening Voluntary

Benedictus Op. 59, No. 9

Max Reger

† **Call to Worship**

Enter this time of worship with joyous expectation –
We have known his favor in many ways.
Sing praises to God, give thanks to his holy name.
We will praise you, O God, and not be silent;
we will give thanks to you forever.

† **Processional Hymn No. 698**

God of the Ages

NATIONAL HYMN

† **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

God of cleansing waters and purifying fire,
we confess that we forget our baptismal vows:
we fail to renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness
and reject the evil powers of this world.
We don't use the power you have given us
to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms we find them.
We do now repent, and seek your forgiveness,
putting our whole trust in your grace.
as we seek to serve you in love. 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.

Welcoming Our New Pastors

Congregational Response

With joy, we receive you as our pastors.
We promise to support you,
and commit our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness
to you and with you.
May God give you a deep love for the church in this place.
May Christ be known in you and through you.
May the Holy Spirit light your way and give you peace.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism (8:30, 11:00)

Congregational Response (8:30, 11:00)

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

STUTTGART

**Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit's sign;
with this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine.**

**Child of God your loving parent,
learn to know whose child you are.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship,
trust and love God more than all.**

WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn of Preparation No. 473

Lead Me, Lord

LEAD ME, LORD

Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 5:1-14

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

Be Not Afraid

Craig Courtney

Be not afraid: for I have redeemed you;
be not afraid: I have called you by name.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
when you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er you;
when you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed;
you are mine, you are precious in my sight.

My love for you is everlasting,
my love for you shall have no end.

† **Doxology**

OLD 100TH

**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 GO OUT TO SERVE

† **Closing Hymn No. 557**

Blest Be the Tie That Bins

DENNIS

† **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**

Freu Dich Sehr, O Meine Seele

Georg Böhm

† Stand as you are able

WORSHIP LEADERS



PREACHER

Dr. James C. Howell, Senior Pastor



LITURGISTS

Rev. Nancy Watson, Executive Pastor
Rev. Uiyeon Kim, Pastor of Discipleship



LAY READERS

Mary Katherine Vass (8:30), Peter Stewart (9:45), David Dulin (11:00)



MUSICIANS

Evan Wesley Currie, Music Associate and Organist
Dr. Jennifer Hough, Church In The Round Music Director
Kevin Proffit, tenor (8:30, 9:45)
Summer Choir (11:00)



CRUCIFERS

Julie Wentz (8:30), Jim Harrington (9:45)



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.

Our Summer Theme is Worship Matters. We hope to see you in worship often and encourage you to find a place to worship when you travel because Worship Matters.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of *Col. Paul E. Todd and Col. Charles W. Borders* in gratitude for giving their lives for our freedom from *John and Linda Borders*.

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 28 and August 11.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism: Receiving the sacrament of Baptism at the 8:30 a.m. service is *Jackson David Leister*, son of *Hannah and William Leister*. Jackson is being baptized by his grandfather, *Rev. David Griebner*. Receiving the sacrament of Baptism at the 11:00 a.m. service is *Wyatt Wilson Jones*, son of *Briana and Colin Jones*.

Young Adult Social, *Today between 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., Dr. Howell's home:* James and Lisa invite the young adults for a drop-in to meet our two new clergy, Jessica Dayson and Taylor Pryde Barefoot. Food and drinks provided. We love children and hope to see them at other church events but we are not set up for them at this gathering. Note the address at bit.ly/youngadultsocial. Just come!

Sign Up for Freedom School, now-July 26: Sign up today for Freedom School at Marie G. Davis Global Leadership Academy. Plan to serve once or multiple times. Visit www.myersparkumc.org/freedom-school or email Susan Scott at sgsp photography@gmail.com to learn more.

Summer Worship Greeters: We invite your family to be a part of summer worship by serving as greeters and passing out bulletins before worship. Questions? Email Leslie Lowery at LLowery@mpumc.org. Sign up at www.myersparkumc.org/children.

Worship Matters Summer Art Project, every Sunday, July 14-August 11: Everyone is invited to participate in our summer art project. Each week, take a bag of art supplies from one of the marked baskets and follow the instructions inside. Return your artwork and supplies at the end of worship. We will unveil our collaborative masterpiece August 25. Questions? Email Leslie Lowery at LLowery@mpumc.org.

Lemonade On The Lawn, Sundays through August 5, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Queens Road lawn: Join us for lemonade, cookies, and fellowship. Each week will be hosted by a different ministry at our church.

Popsicles on the Playground, Sunday, July 14, 10:45 a.m., playground: Children's Ministries invites everyone to come enjoy fellowship and a cold, sweet treat on the playground before or after worship.

Caregivers Support Group, July 23, 11:30 a.m., room 106: Share the challenges and rewards of the experience. Contact Parish Nurse Lauren Smith at lsmith@mpumc.org for details.

In God's Image, July 23, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m., room 105: Our church is offering a gathering space for those who have been hurt by the General Conference's adoption of the Traditionalist plan regarding same gender marriage and ordination. This group will offer a safe and sacred space to share feelings, seek discernment, and receive support. Contact Bill Roth at broth@mpumc.org.

Summer Choir, Sundays, July 7-28, 11:00 a.m. services, Sanctuary: Sing in worship with the choir. Open to rising 6th graders and up. No experience required. Just show up in the choir room on any Sunday in July at 10:00 a.m. for fellowship and learn an anthem to sing in 11:00 a.m. worship. For more information, contact Nancy Hamff at nancy@mpumc.org.

Performing Arts Camp, *registration now-July 14*: Rising 2nd to 8th graders will perform *100% Chance of Rain*. Camp dates are July 29-August 2, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Cost: \$225. Financial support available. Register online in Realm. Questions? Nancy Hamff at nancy@mpumc.org.

Singer/Songwriter Camp, *registration now-August 9*: Open to students age 14-18 interested in the art of composing music and lyrics. Camp dates: August 12-16, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Cost: \$199. Financial support available. Register online in Realm. Questions? Natalie Secrest at nataliesecrest@yahoo.com.

Book Study on Immigration, *July 16, 23, and 30, 6:30 p.m., SouthPark Mall Food Court*: We will explore the book *The God Who Sees: Immigrants, the Bible, and the Journey to Belong*, and how author Karen Gonzales' personal journey parallels immigration stories throughout the Bible. Contact Missions Intern Deirdre Austin at daustin@mpumc.org to sign up.

Register for 2019-20 Children's Sunday School, *now-July 31*: Now's the time to register your 2-year-olds through 5th graders for Sunday School. To register your child, he or she must have been born on or before August 31, 2017. To guarantee placement in a class by Kick-Off Sunday, August 25, please register by July 31.

Father Gregory Boyle of Homeboy Industries, *Monday, August 5, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church Sanctuary*: MPUMC is sponsoring Father Gregory uptown at 501 N. Tryon Street to discuss his organization, the largest and most successful gang intervention, rehab, and re-entry program in the world. Details at www.myersparkumc.org/father-gregory.

Border Experience, *August 10-14, McAllen, TX*: Join our team to serve meals, talk with legal asylum seekers, and learn transformational stories. Visit www.myersparkumc.org/border for more details and to register.

Organ Concerto Concert, *Sunday, August 25, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary*: Jimmy Jones and Evan Currie will perform the organ concertos of Howard Hanson and Josef Rheinberger with chamber orchestra. Free event. No tickets required.

July Collection: Jubilee Store, *now-July 31, Lobby*: We are getting off to a head start with this year's Jubilee Store by collecting new gifts that we know are popular, including African-American baby dolls, Doc McStuffins items, and Paw Patrol items. Questions? Reach Megan Jones at mjones@mpumc.org.

Men's Shelter Monthly Meals, *first Wednesday or second Tuesday at varying Men's Shelter locations*: Prepare and serve a meal at the Men's Shelter of Charlotte with a team of church members for about an hour and a half. Email Megan Jones at mjones@mpumc.org to sign up or learn more.

Jubilee Plus! Giving Fund, *throughout the year*: Funds help support partners such as the Men's Shelter of Charlotte. 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.

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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