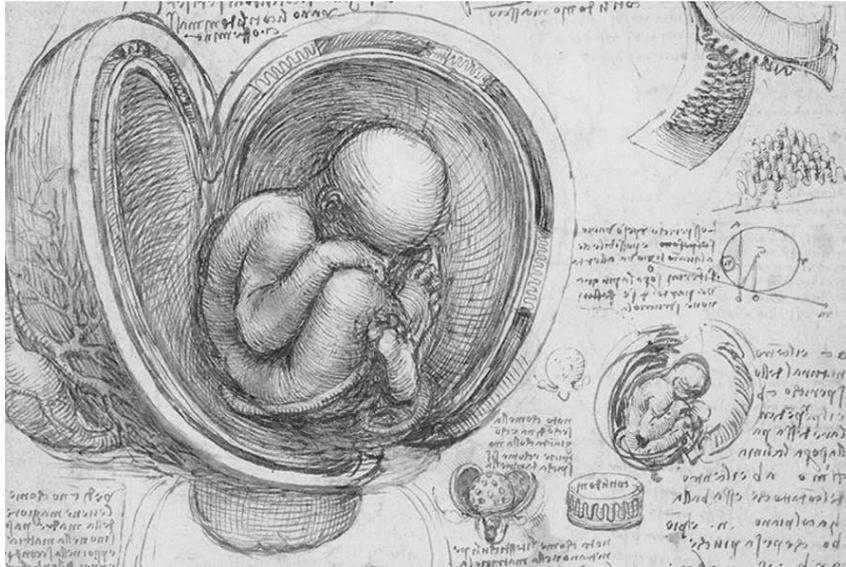


Myers Park United Methodist Church



Fetus in the Womb, Leonardo da Vinci

A Service of Christian Worship

August 25, 2019

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

Eleventh 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

Fantasy on HOLY MANNA (8:30)

Adoration (9:45, 11:00)

Howard Helvey

Felix Borowski

† Call to Worship

Our God is a rock of refuge, a mighty fortress.

O Lord, you are my hope; my trust, O Lord, from my youth.

Upon you have I leaned from my birth.

**My praise is continually of you.
For you are my strong refuge.
My mouth is filled with your praise,
and with your glory all the day.**

† **Processional Hymn No. 384**

Love Divine, All Love's Excelling

Alt. Tune: HYFRYDOL

† **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 grace, we confess that we have elevated the things of this
world above you.**

**We have made idols of possessions and people:
they consume our time and attention.**

We have permitted our busy schedules to come first.

**We have not taken time to truly worship you or simply to be
with you in silence.**

Forgive us and change our perspective.

**Teach us to meditate, even delight, in your Word, that we might
flourish with the fruit of your Spirit. Amen**

Words of Assurance

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

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Glory to God. Amen.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (11:00)

Congregational Response (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. 451

Be thou My Vision

SLANE

The Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Silent Meditation

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

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

arr. Mack Wilberg

My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name;
in pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back, when I forsake his ways,
and leads me for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;
one word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come,

† **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. 593**

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM, LORD

† **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**

Galleries ancient (Ancient Galleries)

Daniel Janzer

† Stand as you are able

WORSHIP LEADERS



PREACHER

Dr. James C. Howell, Senior Pastor



LITURGISTS

Rev. Nathan Arledge, Pastor of Missions and Community Engagement

Rev. Nancy Watson, Executive Pastor



LAY READERS

Jan Nomina (8:30), Amanda Williams (9:45), Linda Mayo (11:00)



MUSICIANS

James R. Jones, Director of Music and Organist

Wesley Currie, Music Associate and Organist

Nancy Hamff, flute

Robert Moody, Guest Conductor (8:30)

Small Ensemble (8:30)

Corine Brouwer, violin (9:45, 11:00)

Chancel Choir (9:45, 11:00)



AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER

Tori Raymond (9:45)



CRUCIFERS

Walker Huff (8:30), McLean Gaston (9:45), Courtney Weintraub (11:00)



ACOLYTES

Emerson Smith and Andrew O'Brien (8:30)

Myers Gaston and Kate Mattei (9:45)

Larson Shull and Taylor Peterson (11:00)



BIBLE CARRIERS

Ann Douglas O'Brien (8:30)

Charlie Mattei (9:45)

Meredith Cory (11:00)

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.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of *Nancy and Don Ubell* celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism: Being baptized at the 11:00 a.m. service are *Ella Rosemary Evans*, daughter of *Gracie and Matt Evans*; *Elwin Wells Honeycutt*, son of *Stephanie and Rob Honeycutt*; and *Benjamin Adam Price*, son of *Katie and Adam Price*.

Summer Ushers: We are grateful for all who participate in the ministry of ushering on Sunday morning, helping welcome all to worship. In August, Stephen Ministers and volunteers from the Goodness Gracious! gift shop filled in for regular ushers who are on summer vacation. Want to learn more? Reach Rev. Uiyeon Kim at ukim@mpumc.org.

Hospitality Lot, beginning today: The Jubilee Hall parking lot will be designated for those who need easy access to the church entrance. This includes seniors with difficulty walking and parents with arms full. There will be no changes to handicapped spaces. Please begin using the Hopedale Ave. lot or take advantage of our shuttle service at Myers Park Traditional Elementary (2132 Radcliffe Ave.).

Kick-Off Sunday and Blessing of the Backpacks, today: Elementary children will participate in the annual Blessing of the Backpacks service and Children's Sunday School resumes after a summer break.

Lemonade on the Lawn: today, after 9:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services, Queens Road lawn: Sponsored by Congregational Care & Health Ministries. Join us for lemonade, cookies and fellowship.

Middle School Back-To-School Bash, today, 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.: Kick off the year with us in the church parking lot. Grab a friend, bring a towel, and prepare to have fun and get wet.

Back-to-School Worship Service, tonight, 5:30 p.m., Francis Chapel: Come as we join in prayer for students, teachers, and parents in our public and private schools, our partner schools, and our preschool.

Organ Concerto Concert, tonight, 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.

Register for Children's and Youth Music Ensembles, registration ends today: Sign up your rising kindergarten through 12th graders for choral and handbell ensembles on Realm. Questions: Trinity Martin, tmartin@mpumc.org.

In God's Image, Tuesday, August 27, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m., room 105: Our church is offering a space for those who have been hurt by the General Conference's adoption of the Traditionalist plan. For more information, email Bill Roth at broth@mpumc.org.

Caregivers Support Group, *Tuesday, August 27, 11:30 a.m., room 106*: Email Parish Nurse Lauren Smith at lsmith@mpumc.org for more information.

Pastors' Wednesday Bible Study, *11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Francis Chapel*: Join us this Wednesday as Dr. Howell will speak on "Immigration and the Bible." To make child care reservations, email Lisa Ross-Smit at lrsmit@mpumc.org.

Join Our Chancel Choir, *Rehearsals every Wednesday, 7:15 p.m., Choir Room 141*: Chancel Choir has returned to rehearsals and services, so now is a good time to join this great ensemble. Questions: Nancy Hamff, nancy@mpumc.org.

Young Adult Groups and Events: Many new offerings for Young Adults coming this fall such as small groups, mom groups, service opportunities, and social events. Check the website for more information or email Jessica Dayson at jdayson@mpumc.org to learn what's going on!

River Jam with Young Adults, *August 31, 7:00 p.m.-until, Whitewater Center*: Bring your blanket or lawn chair and join us for a fun night of live music. This is a family friendly event; kids are welcome! RSVP to Jessica Dayson at jdayson@mpumc.org so she can let you know the meeting location.

Family Worship Day, *September 1*: There will be no Sunday School for children and youth. Nursery and worship care will be available for children 8-weeks-old—not yet in kindergarten. Questions? Email Amy Harriman at aharriman@mpumc.org.

Youth Server Training, *September 7, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and September 15, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., Sanctuary*: 5th-12th graders are invited to train as Bible carriers, acolytes, and crucifers during Sanctuary worship. Children and youth should attend one of the training sessions with a parent. Adults are also welcome to train as a Sunday morning coach. Details: Bruce Lawrence at ruce3@carolina.rr.com or Katharine Willis at katharinecwillis@gmail.com.

Fall Small Groups, *register now-September 9*: Go to myersparkumc.org for details and the opportunity to sign up for small groups beginning the week of September 9.

Mindfulness Classes, *Mondays, September 9-October 28, room 107*: Offered by Bill Roth and Lauren Smith, choose either 10:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. class. Register on REALM or with Carmen Rivera at crivera@mpumc.org.

Parenting the Love & Logic Way, *Wednesdays, September 11-October 16, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.*: Beth Person will facilitate this parenting class designed to teach you practical techniques for taking better care of yourself and getting more cooperation from your children. Cost is \$120 per family. Space is limited. Register online.

How Has God Wired You to Serve?, *September 12, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. or September 30, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.*: Register for a Wired 4 Ministry class to learn how to make a difference through your unique, God-given design. Registration and pre-class exercises are required. Contact Carol Tate at ctate@mpumc.org.

Puerto Rico Mission, *register now*: Join our team traveling to Bayamon, PR October 5-12. Register at www.myersparkumc.org/Puerto-Rico.

Costa Rica Mission: Interested in joining the Costa Rica team for a future mission trip over the schools' spring break? Visit our website at <https://www.myersparkumc.org/mission/costarica/> to learn more.

Jubilee Plus! Giving Fund, *throughout the year*: Funds help support partners such as Samaritan House. 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 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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