

Myers Park
United Methodist Church



Trinity, Louis Joseph Strater

A Service of Christian Worship

June 4, 2023

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

Trinity Sunday

WE GATHER

Opening Voluntary

Meditation on NICAEA

Don Wyrzten

Welcome

Chiming of the Trinity

† Call to Worship No. 328

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 angels' wings,

I see glory on each face;

surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

† **Hymn No. 64**

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

† **The Apostles' Creed No. 881**

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.
In spaces of idleness, inspire growth.
In moments of doubt, may grace abound.
In times of uncertainty, reassure us of your promise.
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

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

† Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer No. 895

Offertory

All Things New

Elaine Hagenberg

Light after darkness, gain after loss,
Strength after weakness, crown after cross;
Sweet after bitter, hope after fears,
Home after wandering, praise after tears.

Alpha and Omega, beginning and the end,
He is making all things new,
Springs of living water shall wash away each tear.
He is making all things new.

Sight after mystery, sun after rain,
Joy after sorrow, peace after pain;
Near after distant, gleam after gloom,
Love after loneliness, life after tomb.

† Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God 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. 571**

Go, Make of All Disciples

LANCASHIRE

**“Go, make of all disciples.” We hear the call, oh Lord,
that comes from thee, our Father, in thy eternal Word.
Inspire our ways of learning through earnest, fervent prayer,
and let our daily living reveal thee everywhere.**

**"Go, make of all disciples," baptising in the name
of Father, Son, and Spirit From age to age the same.
We call each new disciple to follow thee, O Lord,
redeeming soul and body by water and the Word.**

**"Go, make of all disciples." We at your feet would stay
until each life's vocation accents your holy way.
We cultivate the nature God plants in every heart,
revealing in our witness the master teacher's art.**

**“Go, make of all disciples.” We welcome thy command.
“Lo, I am with you always.” We take thy guiding hand.
The task looms large before us; we follow without fear;
in heaven and earth thy power shall bring God’s kingdom here.**

† **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**

Fugue in E Major, BWV 566

J. S. Bach

† Stand as you are able

WORSHIP LEADERS



PREACHER

Dr. Uiyeon Kim, Pastor of Discipleship



LITURGISTS

Rev. Nathan Arledge, Pastor of Missions & Community Engagement



LAY READERS

David Dulin (8:30)

Billy Tobias (9:45)

Bob Truscello (11:00)



MUSICIANS

Dr. Hugh Ferguson Floyd, Director of Music

Evan Wesley Currie, Associate Director of Music and Organist

Chancel Choir



AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER

Blaire Pope (9:45)



CRUCIFERS

Dean Lowery (8:30)

Hannah Boulware (9:45)

Elizabeth Willis (11:00)



ACOLYTES

Sully Rhymer and Meredith Caldwell (8:30)

Fulton Surles and Lawson Surles (9:45)

Anna Grace Ramey and Steele Daniels (11:00)



BIBLE CARRIERS

Emily Caldwell (8:30)

Brynn Vernon (9:45)

Emma Cameron (11:00)

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 in loving memory of *Leta Ann Morris Withers* by *Ann & Roy Morris*.

Common Space Begins Today, 9:45 a.m., room 108: Join us for this unique Sunday School opportunity that provides a dedicated space for discussion, intentional community, and spiritual growth. Meet new people or reconnect with old friends. We can't wait to see you!

Mindfulness Mondays, beginning June 5, 11-11:30 a.m., Francis Chapel: You are invited to learn about or to continue your mindfulness meditation in the company of others on the labyrinth.

Young Adult Summer Schedule: A seven-week small group will meet every other Monday at 7 p.m. beginning June 5. There will also be fellowship events on Wednesday evenings throughout the summer. Connect with Pastor Taylor at tbarefoot@mpumc.org to sign up for the small group and to be added to the GroupMe message for date, time, and location of fellowship events.

Midsummer Night's Serenade, June 7, 7 p.m., Sanctuary: Our evening series of recitals begins as Dr. Jennifer Corbell Hough and Dr. Jeff McEvoy present art songs, opera, and folk music, accompanied by Evan Wesley Currie and Dr. Annie Stankovich. Join us in person, or [watch online](#).

Sole Friends, June 10, 9 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.

Zoe Kenya Interest Meeting, June 11, 9:45 a.m., Francis Chapel: Interested in the trip going to ZOE Empowers Kenya in January 2024? Join us and Gaston Warner, executive director of ZOE Empowers, for this information session to learn about the trip, our ministry partner, and more.

Adult Handbells 101, June 11, 2-3:30 p.m.: A fast and furious hands-on intro to the world of making music with handbells. Previous ringing experience is helpful but not required. Note: This is a great recruiting tool! Invite your friends! Click [here](#) to register and to check out the adult handbell workshops coming up in July and August.

Summer Women's Gathering, June 13, 7 p.m.: All women are invited to meet other women, have meaningful conversation, and grow closer to God. We hope this will offer time for support, community, and new friendships. Sign up [here](#) or email Rev. Jessica Dayson at jdayson@mpumc.org for more information. Next gathering dates are July 11 and August 8.

Crucifers Needed in Sanctuary Services: We are looking for people to carry the cross for our processional while the youth are on summer break. If you have always wanted to try it, here is your chance. Open to all, training is provided. Email Peg Broughton at peg@mpumc.org if interested.

Kindergarten Classroom Helper Needed for Vacation Bible School: If you are looking for a way to get involved and get to know the children of our church, this is it! Only requirement is a willingness to have fun with these kindergarteners! If you can help Tuesday, June 20-Friday, June 23, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., email Amy Jo Alspaugh at amyjo@mpumc.org.

Goodness Gracious Summer Store Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Regular store hours will resume September 5.

Camp Tekoa Early Bird Registration: This beloved family tradition in the mountains near Hendersonville, NC is September 22-24, and early bird registration is now open. Early bird rates apply now-August 10. Learn more and register on [our website](#).

Border Immersion, October 19-25, McAllen, Texas: This trip will focus on the many realities facing communities on the U.S. Mexico border today. Participants will engage with local church leaders, migrants, federal agents, social justice agencies, community organizers, and those living the "border life." Cost is \$375 per person + flight + hotel + two dinners. Email Sarah Gillespie at sarahb48@carolina.rr.com with questions. [Sign up on our website!](#)

Missions' Food Insecurity Team is collecting dried lentils and chickpeas for Refugee Support Services. Please consider donating by ordering from this [Amazon wishlist](#). If you have questions or want to deliver the beans and see the amazing RSS program in action, contact CindyLu Brubaker at 770-655-5993 or cindylubruber@twc.com.

Save the Date: 2024 Women's Retreat, February 9-11, Montreat Conference Center: We hope you will make plans now to attend our 17th Annual Women's Retreat! Share with your friends, family, and neighbors. Early registration will open in October.

Dr. Howell, our senior pastor, is away on a sabbatical he was due to take when the pandemic descended. We celebrate this gift of time for him to travel, study, write, and rest.

While Dr. Howell is away, enjoy his video series [Surprising Things I Learned in Seminary...that Everyone Should Know](#) and his [biweekly emails](#), which he prepared to roll out through the summer. Click [here](#) to join the list if you're not already subscribed, and click [here](#) to access the archive if you missed an email.

Maybe I'm Amazed Podcast: Dr. Howell talks about therapeutic landscapes and healing places with Dr. Wil Gelser, author of *Healing Places* and retired Professor of Geography at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Click [here](#) to listen and subscribe.

Your ongoing generosity to our church [Operating Fund](#) makes it possible for our Youth Ministry to provide formative Christian education, fellowship and celebrate 74 confirmands this year.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY

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.

Check out [This Week at Myers Park](#) for a complete list of events and opportunities.

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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.

OUR MISSION

We are the body of Christ, growing in faith and serving others.



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