



Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 10, 2018



Prelude

"Berceuse"

by by Louis Vierne

Gathering as the Children of God

Elder Donna Martin

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

All: *Maker of heaven and earth.*

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: *Let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

One: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

All: *Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!*

† "Here I Am, Lord"

by Daniel Schutte © 1981

*1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?*

Chorus:

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.*

*2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone; Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send?*

Chorus

*3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will send the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, 'Til their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?*

Chorus

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Elder Martin

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Elder Martin

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News.

People: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*



Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Ricardo Green

† **Hymn No. 347** (*hymnal*)

"Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

Scripture Lesson (*p. 94 NT*)

John 8:1-11

Rev. Green

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

Jesus, the Curriculum of Love

† **Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostle's Creed

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.



† **Passing of the Peace**

Rev. Green

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

Please exchange greetings of peace and welcome with your neighbor.

† *"Your Love is Extravagant"*

by Darrell Evans © 1998

Your love is extravagant

Your friendship, it is intimate

I find I'm moving to the rhythms of Your grace

Your fragrance is intoxicating in the secret place

Your love is extravagant

*Spread wide in the arms of Christ
Is the love that covers sin
No greater love have I ever known
That You consider me a friend
You captured my heart again*

Church Family Life

TJ Shirley

*Please take this time to pass the attendance notebooks located at the end of the pew row.
If you are a visitor, we invite you to visit our information center located in the Narthex.*

Prayers of the People

Elizabeth Small



Offering

Offertory: *"If We Ever Needed the Lord Before"*
Featuring Lisa Cumming

† Response

The Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

† Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

† Closing Hymn No. 358 (hymnal)

"Help us Accept Each Other"

† Benediction

Rev. Green

† Postlude

"God Put a Rainbow in the Sky"

† Those who are able, please stand



MVPC Mission Statement

Blessed to Be a Blessing

We are a Presbyterian church filled with love and energy – an inclusive congregation committed to spiritual growth through *worship, study, fellowship, and service*.

- As **children of God**, we seek to *praise* God in worship and in all that we say and do
- As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we *listen* to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community
- As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to *love* one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles
- **Moved by the Spirit**, we *serve* our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.



Giving to MVPC is easy online
<http://mvpchurch.org/index.php/donate/>

MVPC Staff

Rev. Susan Haynes, Interim Pastor
TJ Shirley, Minister of Worship & Arts
Elizabeth Small, Dir. of Youth Ministry
Rev. Ricardo Green, Pastor of Spanish Ministries
Nick Johns-Cooper, Organist

Steve Ray, Church Finance & Operations
Jill Thompson, Administrative Assistant
Yvonne White, Financial Secretary
Lauren McClintock, Communications & Membership Coord.