

Assurance of Pardon

One: ...Friends, believe the Good New of the Gospel.

All: *In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.*

† Congregational Response "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

HAMBURG

**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.**

† Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

Please exchange greetings of peace and welcome with your neighbor.

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

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One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

"A Space of 40 Days"

Rev. Abernethy

RESPONSE

† Hymn #370

"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"

WOODWORTH

† Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' 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.

Prayers of the People...concluding with the Lord's Prayer

*After each petition, Pastor will say "Lord, In Your Mercy."
Congregation will respond with "Hear Our 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.

THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

Offering
Offertory

"Miserere Mei Deus"

Antonio Lotti (1667-1740)

† Doxology (#592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

** Please Wait for Pastor & Choir to Stand *
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. Amen.*

† Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING

† Closing Hymn #363

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

SOJOURNER

† Benediction

† Choral Response

"Song of Simeon"

arr. Annabel Morris Buchanan

† Postlude

"Toccatina in E minor"

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)



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.

Upcoming Events:

March 8-15		Family Promise
March 9-13		MVP School Spring Break
March 15	10:00 a.m.	APNC Listening Session—Kirk Center
	2-4:00 p.m.	Hunger Walk
March 21		Dinner with Friends
March 29	11:00 a.m.	Confirmation
April 5	10:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday—one service
		Easter Egg Hung & Lunch
April 9	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
April 10	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service
April 12	7:00 a.m.	Sunrise Service
	11:00 a.m.	Easter Service

Worship Participants for March 8, 2020

Pastor - Rev. Barrett Abernethy
Director of Music - Matthias Young

Guest Organist - Justin Bowen
Liturgist - Steve Whisenant



Giving to MVPC is easy online

MVPC Staff

Rev. Barrett Abernethy, Pastor/Head of Staff
Matthias Young, Director of Music
Steve Ray, Church Finance & Operations

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