



MOUNT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship ♦ May 30, 2021 ♦ 10:00 AM

Trinity Sunday

† For those who are able, please stand

— GATHERING —

Introit

“Wir Glauben all an einen Gott”
(We all believe in one true God)

by Matthias Young

Prelude

“God’s Castle”
Chick Corea (1941-2021)

Ryan Sawyer

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Isaac Toney-Schmitt

Prayer of Invocation

† Call to Worship

One: Gather around to praise the glory of God and worship God in holy splendor

All: **For the voice of God is powerful, the voice of God is full of majesty**

One: The voice of God flashes forth flames of inspiration

All: **The voice of God shakes the wilderness and excites creation**

One: The voice of the God causes the oaks to whirl and trees to shout in praise

All: **May God give strength, blessing, and peace to God’s people!**

One: Let us worship God!

† Hymn #138 v. 1,2,4

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

NICAEA

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.

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Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,

God in three Persons, Blessed Trinity.

Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

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!

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Prayer of Confession

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

Gracious God,
Our sins are too heavy to carry,
Too real to hide,
And too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
What our hearts can no longer bear,
And what has become for us
A consuming and constricting judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
Open to us a future in which we can be changed;
And grant us grace
To grow more and more in your likeness and image;
Through Jesus Christ, the light of the world, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

...in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

Response #579

Gloria Patri

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.

† Passing of the Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you,
And also with you.

(Please greet each other with the peace of Christ, in a manner comfortable for one another)

— THE WORD —

Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

Scripture

Romans 8:12-17

Homily

“So then, brothers and sisters, ...”

— RESPONSE —

† Hymn #139 (v. 1,2,4)

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

ITALIAN HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King, Help us Thy name to sing,
Help us to praise: Father, all glorious, O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend: Come, and Thy people bless, and give Thy
Word success; Spirit of holiness, On us descend.

To Thee, great One in Three, The highest praises be,
Hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty May we in
Glory see, And to eternity Love and adore.

† **Affirmation of Faith** (*A Brief Statement of Faith*)

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
The love of God,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit,
We trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
Whom alone we worship and serve.**

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer Over the Elements & *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.

Words of Institution & Communion of the People

Post Communion Prayer

— SENDING —

† Song of Dismissal

“Awesome God”
Rich Mullins, 1988

Matthias Young

Refrain:

Our God is an awesome God, He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom pow'r and love, Our God is an awesome God
When He rolls up His sleeves He ain't just putting' on the ritz
Our God is an awesome God
There is thunder in his footsteps and lightning in His fists
Our God is an awesome God
And the Lord wasn't joking when He kicked 'em out of Eden
It wasn't for no reason that He shed His blood
His return is very close and so you'd better be believing'
That our God is an awesome God
When the sky was starless in the void of the night
Our God is an awesome God
He spoke into the darkness and created the light
Our God is an awesome God
Judgement and wrath He poured out on Sodom
Mercy and grace He gave us at the cross
I hope that we have not too quickly forgotten
That our God is an awesome God

† Benediction

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

Postlude

“In dir ist Freude” BWV615
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Ryan Sawyer

*We thank you for worshipping with us today.
If you are so moved and would like to give a tithe or offering,
there are collection boxes in the narthex.*

Leading Today's Worship Service
Rev. Isaac Toney-Schmitt: Associate Pastor of Faith Formation
Matthias Young: Director of Music
Ryan Sawyer: Organ Apprentice



MVPC Announcements....



We have a new mailing address!

When mailing anything to the church, please use our new post office box:
P.O. Box 76051, Sandy Springs, GA 30358 (please note a different zip code)

Welcome! Please be assured we are taking all measures to follow the CDC guidelines. We have seating in the narthex and in the back of the sanctuary are for social distancing while inside, and the front pews are with no restrictions. We do encourage you to follow the CDC's guidance to keep your mask on if you are not fully vaccinated. If you are able, please get vaccinated. While here, please scan the QR codes using the camera on your smartphone to access the bulletin and also giving your tithes.

Visitor Info: We want to thank you for coming today. If you would like to learn more about who we are, please go to our website: mvpchurch.org, contact our church office at **404.255.2211**, or speak with one of our pastors after the service.

Membership: If you are interested in joining MVP Church, please talk to one of the pastors after the service.

Ways to Give Tithes: Online, Mail, the QR code, or give in our "Donations" drop boxes in the narthex.

Upcoming Services:

June 6: (10:00)	Haggai 2:1-9, "Returning to the Temple", Rev. Barrett Abernethy, Lunch in Fellowship Hall
June 13: (10:00)	Matthew 12:1-8, "What Happens in the Temple..."



Greeters, Ushers, & A/V Helpers Needed: Contact the church office if you would like to help out with worship.



Lunch & Hymn Sing! The Fellowship Committee invites you to stay after church on Sunday, June 6 for lunch in the Fellowship Hall. All of the doors on both sides will be open to provide air flow. We want to be sure to have a lunch waiting for you, so please go to the SignUp Genius on our website to sign up. The deadline to sign up is Friday, **June 4**.

Covid-19 Fund: There is still a need! Donations as of May 21 - \$84,132, Disbursements - \$80,071, Balance on Hand - \$4,061 (additional disbursements scheduled for early June). You can give online or make a check payable to MVP Foundation and designate it for Covid-19.



In Search of a bread machine we can borrow for June 13. Please contact the church office if you have one we can borrow.

Church Office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, May 31

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Taize Service will resume in August – in the narthex!

Godly Play will resume in August.

Sunday School: The Discovery class will begin meeting Sundays at 11:00 a.m. after the service in the Session Room. Barrett & Isaac will lead our class starting in June–July focusing on sermons they have written.

Weekly Ways to Connect: Tuesday Phone Devotional @ 2:00 p.m., Midweek Manna, Children's Sunday School on Mondays at 1:30 p.m. with Carrie Southard via Zoom.



The MVPC Members' Gift of Wisdom Spring/Summer issue is available in the narthex. If you haven't already done so, please pick one up on your way out.



The MVPC Stephen Ministry: If you are experiencing hesitancy returning to a "normal" life after the Pandemic, grief, rehabilitation, a move, or any other unsettling event, a Stephen Minister is the best companion to have with you. We are temporary helpers who listen, hear, and keep confidences. Contact a minister or call Pat Bartee, Stephen Leader, to become involved.

The May Communion Offering is non-perishable food for the Food Pantry at the Community Assistance Center (CAC). Most needed items include: canned meats, canned fruits & vegetables, canned pasta & sauce (no glass jars), cereal/oatmeal, macaroni/cheese, canned meat entrees, peanut butter, jelly, soup, rice. Donations may be brought to the in-person worship services in May or dropped off at any time in the bin outside the church office. Thank you for your generosity!

Pastor Office Hours: Barrett, Monday–Friday 8:00–noon; Isaac, Tuesday–Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Please contact them directly to make an appointment.

Prayer Concerns: Ann Addison, John Allen, Anne Baynham, Julie Chesnutt, Hazel Cofield, Bruce Hagenau, Christy Hill, Corny Laube, Kirk Pumphrey, Dave Whitacre

Attendance: 5/23: 67 (Sanctuary), 43 (online)

Giving



Financial Update

May 20–26	Actual	Actual YTD	2021 Budget
Pledge Member Giving	\$3,645	\$236,724	\$438,290
Member Giving Non–Pledge	\$1,270	\$ 12,655	\$ 70,000
Non Member Giving & Loose Offering	\$ 50	\$ 5,519	\$ 6,000
Total	\$4,965	\$254,898	\$ 514,290

If you have any announcements that you would like to appear in the *Happenings* weekly email or Good News, please email them to Terri Clayton, terri@mvpchurch.org.