

MOUNT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

TRINITY SUNDAY JUNE 12, 2022 • 10:30 AM

† For those who are able, please stand.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

"La Colombe (The Dove)" by Olivier Messiaen (1908-1992)

Ryan Sawyer

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Barrett Abernethy

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: On Easter Sunday we declare, "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!" ALL: On Trinity Sunday we declare, "Holy! Holy!"

ONE: Who is the one (or three) that is holy?

ALL: The Lord God Almighty! ONE: Why is the Lord holy?

ALL: Because God is merciful and mighty.

ONE: Well then, let us declare "Holy! Holy! Holy!" this day!

ALL: God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

+ MORNING SONG

"Holy, Holy , Holy"NICAEA

Written by an English vicar, specifically for Trinity Sunday in 1827. Most of the lyrics are inspired by Revelation 4:1-11. My favorite occur in verse three "though the darkness hide thee" reminding us that a full understanding of the Trinity is unattainable in this world.

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, 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!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

+ PRAYER OF HOPE

Rev. Abernethy

On this Trinity Sunday, ever present God, we celebrate how you reveal yourself to us in infinite ways:

Part of this prayer is inspired by the children's book, *In God's Name*, written by Sandy Sasso, a Jewish Rabbi. Like the farmer, we give thanks that you are Source of Life.

Like the tired soldier, we celebrate that you are Maker of Peace.

Like the nurse, we rejoice that you are Healer.

Like the grandmother, we see that you are Comforter.

Like the man who tends sheep, we call you Shepherd.

Like the child who was lonely, we look to you and say, "Friend."

These are a but a few of the ways, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, that you come before us, and so on this day as we offer gratitude for your diverse and triune nature, let us declare with our numerous voices who you are in our lives: the One who is full of grace and mercy, leading us always to serve as you serve and love as you love. In your Holy, Holy, name we pray. Amen.

+ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Abernethy

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

+ RESPONSE

"Seek Ye First"
LAFFERTY

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And His righteousness, And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

+ PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Abernethy

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 4:1-11

HOMILY

God in Three Persons

RESPONSE

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (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.

Normally written as a sole paragraph, we divided the creed into three paragraphs this Sunday to demonstrate the triune nature of the creed.

OFFERTORY

"Thanks Be to God"

Text by P.J. O'Reilly, Music by Stanley Dickson Magdalena Wór, Mezzo-Soprano

Thanks be to God for roses rare, for skies of blue and sunshine fair; For every gift I raise a prayer, thanks be to God!

Thanks be to God for lovely night, for mystic fields with stars bedight, For hours of dream and deep delight, thanks be to God!

Thanks be to God for love divine, the hopes that round my heart entwine; For all the joy that now is mine thanks be to God!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Tim Southard

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER INVITATION TO THE TABLE THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Rev. Abernethy

ONE: The Lord be with you. ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Lift up your hearts. ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.

ONE: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. ALL: 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(If you did not receive a communion kit when you came in, please ask an usher for a kit.

All are welcome to participate in communion.)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

SENDING

+ SONG FOR DISMISSAL

"You Are Holy"

You are holy; You are holy;
You are mighty; you are mighty;
You are worthy; you are worthy;
You are worthy of praise; you are worthy of praise.

I will follow; I will follow; I will listen; I will listen I will love you; I will love you All of my days; all of my days.

I will sing to and worship the King who is worthy.

I will love and adore him; I will bow down before him;

I will sing to and worship the King who is worthy.

I will love and adore him; I will bow down before him.

You're my Prince of Peace, and I will live my life for you.

+ BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE

Rev. Abernethy

"La Colombe" by Ryan Sawyer

Leading Today's Worship Service
Rev. Barrett Abernethy, Senior Pastor
Matthias Young, Director of Worship
Ryan Sawyer, Guest Accompanist

If you are interested in joining MVP Church, go to the Visitor's Table to pick up a visitor bag and a little gift and someone will be there to greet you.

We are located at: 471 Mount Vernon Hwy., NE Sandy Springs, GA 30328 mvpchurch.org



MVPC Announcements....

3 Ways to Watch! mvpchurch.org/watch/ Facebook Page YouTube Channel



Help us out with our "Summer Song Series"! What is a hymn or song you want sung and for Barrett & Isaac to preach on?

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Welcome! We are glad to worship with you today! If you would like more information on the church protocols, you can find a link on our website.

Visitors & Membership: 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. If you are interested in joining MVP Church, please stop at the **Welcome Table in the Narthex** and pick up a visitor bag where someone will be there to greet you.

Upcoming Services:



June 19 "Freedom", Exodus 14:5-6, 10-18, 21-23, 26-29, Rev. Barrett Abernethy

June 26 Los Niños Primero Sunday, Rev. Isaac Toney-Schmitt

Summer Cookout! Sunday, June 26 after worship. Reserve your spot on the SignUp Genius on our website.





Stephen Ministry: Whether you are grieving, trying to manage a new set of health issues, disenchanted with moving, having trouble finding a job, becoming an empty nester or a caregiver, your Stephen Ministry team is here to walk through it with you. With encouragement and the sharing of life's burdens, we are lightened enough to control our own future and create a brighter one. Call a minister or Stephen Leader Pat Bartee today.

Ushers: We resumed the practice of passing the offering plates during worship but we need more ushers. Please contact Kirk Chalpan or the church office if you would like to serve.



FamilyPromise Family Promise July 3-17: Our Families will be staying with us for two weeks in July so there will be a variety of ways to help out. SignUp Genius is on our website!





Make sure to follow us on social media to stay up to date!



Connection Snacks: Please sign up on the SignUp Genius on the website or let Debbie know what day you would like to bring snack through the end of July. Thank you to the ones who have signed up and brought snacks!



Conversation (Adult Sunday School): Crossroads meets in the Session Room, and Discovery meets in the Chapel and are using the book "The Present Word".

Presbyterian Women: PW will resume on **Sunday, August 28** with our Salad Luncheon and Officer Installation.



The MVPC Members' Gift of Wisdom Spring/Summer issue is available in the Narthex and Information Centers.

MVP Foundation: Join us in our "\$22K for 2022" matching campaign! We have a wonderful donor willing to match dollar for dollar up to \$22K. To date we have received \$12K. The MVP Foundation has provided over \$500,000 to various mission partners such as our Youth Group, Los Niños, CAC, as well as the Intern Program here at MVPC.

Ways to Connect: Are you on our mailing list for the weekly *Happenings* email? How about the monthly newsletter *The Good News*? If not and you would like to receive them, send an email to debbie@mvpchurch.org

Prayer Concerns: Mrs. JB, James Ballew, Jeannie Lee, Rev. Asa Meadows, Alistair Morine, Irene Nelson, Beverly Northrop, Rob Southard, Dave Whitacre, people of Ukraine, and vulnerable families, Zambia, Los Niños Primero, CAC, Family Promise

Attendance: 6/5 Worship 99
Online 23

Please sign the Attendance Pad and pass it down the pew as you greet your neighbor!

Financial Update

June 1-7	Actual	Actual YTD	2022 Budget
Pledge Member Giving Member Giving Non-Pledge Non Member Giving &	\$ 6,530 \$ 0	\$ 240,580 \$ 19,707	\$449,000 \$ 60,000
Loose Offering Total	\$ 86 \$ 6,616	\$ 5,278 \$265,565	\$ 10,000 \$ 519,000

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