

# MOUNT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 17, 2022 • 10:30 AM

† For those who are able, please stand.

# **GATHERING**

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

"Hymns of Peace" arr. Phillip Keveren Donna Maini

RINGING OF THE BELLS

#### **WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER**

Rev. Isaac Toney-Schmitt

† CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Psalm 57)

ONE: My heart is steadfast, O God! We will sing and make melody ALL: We will awake like the dawn and give thanks to you O God

ONE: We will sing praises to you among the nations for your steadfast love endures forever

ALL: Your steadfast love is as high as the heavens, your faithfulness extends to the clouds

ONE: Be lifted up, O God, above the heavens ALL: Let your glory be over all the earth

ONE: Let us worship God!

+ MORNING SONG

"It Is Well with My Soul"
VILLE DU HAVRE

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain

Mount Vernon Side: It is well

Johnson Ferry Side: ...It is well Mount Vernon Side: With my soul;

Johnson Ferry Side: ...With my soul;

All: It is well; it is well with my soul.

He lives: O the bliss of this glorious thought.

My sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! (refrain)

Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so it is well with my soul. (refrain)

Horatio Spafford penned this hymn in 1873 after a great tragedy in his life. All four of his daughters died in a shipwreck on the Atlantic Ocean, and Spafford wrote the hymn while sailing past waters near the accident site.

#### + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

Merciful God, we know that our sin walks beside us and cannot be ignored, so we gather in humble confession. Today, we are particularly mindful of spiritual isolation that can creep into our prayer life. Too often the words of the prayer your Son taught us flow thoughtlessly from our mouths. Too often we skim the Prayer Vine for updates instead of joining in a community of prayer with your beloved children. Too often our perception is that we feel that there is not enough time to pray or that the moment is not right. Forgive us God for separating ourselves from you. May your Spirit breathe life into our prayers and movement in our steps... (silent confession)... Amen.

#### **+ ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

† RESPONSE "It Is Well with My Soul"

VILLE DU HAVRE

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All: It is well; it is well with my soul.

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

# **+ PASSING OF THE PEACE**

ONE: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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

The Lord's
Prayer appears
twice in the
New
Testament,
here in Luke
and in chapter
6 of Matthew.
Modern day
versions
typically follow
Matthew's
version.

# THE WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

SCRIPTURE Luke 11:1-13

HOMILY Jesus' Prayer

# **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.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Toney-Schmitt

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.

**OFFERTORY** 

"It Is Well with My Soul" arr. Randa Kirshbaum

Amy Kiley, Soprano

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll. Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to know it is well, it is well with my soul.

Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control, That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

#### + DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
OLD HUNDREDTH

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**

Ed Spain

# **SENDING**

**+ SONG FOR DISMISSAL** 

"As I Went Down to the River to Pray"

Traditional Spiritual

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good old way, and who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord, show me the way.

Refrain

Oh, (1. sisters 2. brothers 3. sinners), let's go down, let's go down, come on down.
Oh, (1. sisters 2. brothers 3. sinners), let's go down, down to the river to pray.

+ BENEDICTION

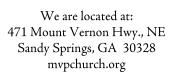
Rev. Toney-Schmitt

**POSTLUDE** 

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" John Goss (1800-1880)

Leading Today's Worship Service
Rev. Isaac Toney-Schmitt, Associate Pastor
Matthias Young, Director of Worship
Donna Maini, 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.





# MVPC Announcements....

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



Hymn idea? Let us know what you want to sing!

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# WWW.MVPCHURCH.ORG

**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:**



July 24 John 1:1–14, "Advent in July", Rev. Isaac Toney-Schmitt

July 31 1 Chronicles 17:16–17, "Faith's Review and Expectation", Rev. Barrett Abernethy

**Vital Congregations Initiative:** Explore the Neighborhood - Join us after church on **July 24** in the Session room for a brief training on how to explore our church campus and the surrounding neighborhoods.

**Senior Adults**: We're going to the Governor's Mansion on Thursday, **July 28 at 9:00am**. If interested, sign up in the Narthex the next three Sundays.



Saturday VBS! Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to our one day HayDay VBS on Saturday, August 13 from 9:30am - 3:00pm. Kids will be up to their elbows in farmin' fun as they explore one simple Bible truth: Jesus will always love us! We can't wait to see you there! Register at: www.myvbs.org/mvpc2022/

**Child Protection Training:** All children and youth volunteers should plan to attend one of our child protection trainings. **July 31** @ 11:30, **August 9** @ 4:00

**Stephen Ministry**: At MVPC, no one should ever feel they are facing trouble alone. Our Stephen Ministry provides one-on-one, confidential relationships with laypeople who have been through extensive training to help empower others and help them move forward. Please contact a minister or Pat Bartee, Stephen Leader, to get started.







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 November. Thank you to the ones who have signed up and brought snacks!

**Conversation (Adult Sunday School):** Discovery meets in the Chapel and are using the book "The Present Word". Crossroads is taking the summer off and will return in September.



Sandy Springs
EDUCATION FORCE

Educate - Inspire - Prepare

July Communion Offering: We will be collecting school supplies for Sandy Springs Education Force and Stirred-Up Ministries. Stirred-Up Ministries offers year-round support to East Lake area of Atlanta youth and their

families. Sandy Springs Education Force (in partnership with the Community Assistance Center) offers a Teacher Supply Closet for teachers in the Sandy Springs schools to order supplies for economically disadvantaged students throughout the school year.

**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.

**Atlanta Concert Band: August 13 at 3:30pm**, Roswell Cultural Arts Center. More info: John Hibbard



**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.

**Do you feel a need for prayer?** Have our Prayer Vine pray for you! Email your requests to pbartee@yahoo.com or call the church office at 404.255.2211.

**Prayer Concerns:** Carolyn Ashby, Mrs. JB, James Ballew, Nicole Brown, Neill Ferrill, Charlie Gray, Rev. Susan Haynes, Jeannie Lee, Alistair Morine, Irene Nelson, Beverly Northrop, Rob Southard, Dave Whitacre, Yvonne White and her family, people of Ukraine, Zambia, Los Niños Primero, CAC, Family Promise

Attendance: 7/10 Worship 81
Online 8

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

# **Financial Update**

July 1-8	Actual	Actual YTD	2022 Budget
Pledge Member Giving Member Giving Non-Pledge Non Member Giving &	\$ 6,952 \$ 280	\$ 273,318 \$ 21,191	\$449,000 \$ 60,000
Loose Offering  Total	\$ 0 <b>\$ 7,232</b>	\$ 5,838 <b>\$ 300,347</b>	\$ 10,000 <b>\$ 519,000</b>

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