

MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
September 25, 2022
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost in the Season of Kingdomtide

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome

TO PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Prelude: "When Morning Guilds the Sky" Cheryl Conklin and Mary Ellen Zimmerman

Call to Worship: Lori Arment

Leader: We thank you Lord God for helping us get through another week.

People: **We did a lot this week, but, we also left many of the important things undone like building your Kingdom of love and grace on earth.**

Leader: In this time of worship, may our hearts be free from the burden of those things we know we should have done.

People: **Yes Lord, free us from our sin, so that we can worship you in holiness but also receive your Spirit of love to help us do the kinds of things that build your Kingdom on earth. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

Song of Praise: "This is My Father's World" Hymnal # 144 *followed by* "Give Thanks" The Faith We Sing #2036

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This is my Father's world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world,
the birds their carols raise,
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their maker's praise.
This is my Father's world:
he shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass I hear him pass;
he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world.
O let me ne'er forget

that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world:
why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King; let the heavens ring!
God reigns; let the earth be glad!

Followed by "Give Thanks" The Faith We Sing #2036

Give thanks with a grateful heart,
Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

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And now let the weak say, "I am strong"
Let the poor say, "I am rich"
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The Psalm: Psalm 146

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long. Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help. When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish. Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in

them; who keeps faith forever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you

Response: "Make Us One" The Faith We Sing # 2224

Children are invited to come forward during this song to join our Children's time

Make Us One Lord, make us one;

Holy Spirit, make us one.

Let your love flow so the world will know

We are one in you

Children's Time

TO PRAY AND OFFER OURSELVES

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastor's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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

Song: "Into My Heart" The Faith We Sing # 2160

Into my heart, into my heart,
come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
come in today, come in to stay;
come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

Out of my heart, out of my heart,
shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus;
shine out today, shine out alway;
shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus.

Passing of the Offering Plates

This month's special communion offering is to Red Bird Mission.

If you would like to make an offering online, see our [virtual offertory basket](http://www.mt-viewumc.org) at www.mt-viewumc.org.

Offertory Music: “The Lord is My Shepherd” Cheryl Conklin and Mary Ellen Zimmerman

***Congregational Response:** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”
Hymnal # 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia

Prayer of Dedication of our Tithes and Offerings

TO PROCLAIM OUR FAITH

Special Music: “Fatty Simpson” Pastor Jeff Wakeley

The Scripture: Luke 16:19-31

“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

The Message: “The Church of the Shoulda”

AND GO OUT TO SERVE

***Song:** “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” Hymnal # 402

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

***Benediction**

***Postlude:** “It’s Me” Cheryl Conklin and Mary Ellen Zimmerman

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Health Concerns: Those dealing with ongoing health issues including cancer and memory loss, and those recovering from and awaiting surgery. Prayers for Arthur Kuhlenschmidt, Kim Walenta’s mom, Alice, Lois Dauelsberg, Lovelyn Hughes, Colleen Wakeley, Kay Elliott’s grandson, Lakin Rule, Lori Jones’ friend Ricky Manka, Mack Burk’s brother, Claire Watson, Carol Wagner, Cherese Brower, Ginny George, Beth Tinsley, Karen Vickery, Carol Holcomb, Barb Smith, Jack Elwell, Joann & Gordon Leaf.

(Please advise the church office of updates)

Other Prayer Concerns: Kitty Guillory and family at the loss of her step-brother (Richard Bruister), Mack Burk’s family at the loss of his sister-in-law, Marty, Lynda Morgan at the loss of her mother, Jo Lied’s friend Lynne Magnusen, Alicia Tangeman and family, Jo Lied’s great grandson, Jeremiah. Those dealing with tragedy and sadness and the loss of innocent lives. **Please give a special prayer to those dealing**

with the loss of a loved one.

Upcoming Events

*September's Communion Offering is
"Red Bird Mission"*

Sunday, September 25

- 8:45 am Contemporary Christian Roundtable
- 9:00 am Living Bible
- 10:30 am Children's Sunday School
- 10:30 am Church Services

Monday, September 26

- 9:00 am Women's 2nd Cup of Coffee
- 10:00 am Communion Class

Tuesday, September 27

Wednesday, September 28

BULLETIN INFORMATION DUE

- 6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 29

- 10:00 am Women's Enrichment Ministry Group

Friday, September 30

*October's Communion Offering is
"World Communion Offering"*

- 7:30 am Mountain View Men at Grandma's Kitchen

Saturday, October 1

- 9:00 am Women's Emmaus Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 2

World Communion Sunday

- 8:45 am Contemporary Christian Roundtable
- 9:00 am Living Bible
- 10:30 am Children's Sunday School
- 10:30 am Church Services

News & Announcements

COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED! New server class is September 26 at 10 am in the Sanctuary.

HAND BELL RINGERS—If you are interested in participating with the Mountain View Hand Bell Ringers please see Hadi Gibbons for more information (217) 454-5528 or

bgibbons45@hotmail.com.

CPR/First Aid Class—October 8 10-2. Bring your own lunch. RSVP to Rusty at merrillfarm73@gmail.com.

Community Dinners—the next dinner is on October 5. The menu is loaded potato soup, ham and cheese sandwich or turkey and cheese sandwich, and brownies. RSVP to Sandy at 719-687-3868 or mountain.viewumcwp@gmail.com.

MORTGAGE INTEREST RATE INCREASES—Our mortgage interest rate will increase from 0.9% APR to 2.99% (a 330% increase from our introductory rate). Any additional gifts now that we can apply towards principal reduction will really help reduce our payoff timeline. Please consider giving an additional gift by **September 30**. Thank you!

Searching for the Ancient Israelites—The Philistines were invaders, but where did they come from? One theory is they were the Pelasgians, a race described in the Iliad, and they may well have been refugees from the Trojan War. This course compares biblical evidence to archaeological and other sources to discern the history of Ancient Israel. Taught by Mike Bryant the first four Monday's in October, 6-7 pm, Multi-Purpose Room. For more information, contact Mike at bryant4523@msn.com.

All Saints Day—We will be honoring our saints on November 6. If you would like your loved one included, please email Sandy the name, picture, date of birth, date of loss.

Veteran's Day—We will be honoring our Veterans on November 13. Please let Sandy know if you served, how long you served, and what branch you served in.

Exploring the Need to Grieve and Mourn – Wednesday, September 28, 6:30 – 8:30 pm – is *free* to anyone experiencing grief in their lives or wanting to help friends or family who are going through the same. Features Dr. Alan Wolfelt, founder & Director of the Center for Loss and Life Transition. UCCS Ent Center for the Arts, 5225 North Nevada Avenue, Colorado Springs. Register at ww.voicesofgriefcenter.org or call 719-286-0612

Exploring Grief After Suicide – Thursday, September 29, 9:00 am – 3:30 pm – focus on families, caregivers, as well as professionals and those wanting to support suicide survivors. Cost is \$25 to cover lunch and materials. Scholarships available. Features Dr. Alan Wolfelt, founder & Director of the Center for Loss and Life Transition. UCCS Ent Center for the Arts, 5225 North Nevada Avenue, Colorado Springs.

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Fall Craft Fair—The Children’s Ministry is hosting a Fall Craft Fair & Luncheon for our children on October 23rd after worship service. Lunch will be provided. RSVP by October 1 to Marci.

Information

COMMUNION CHECKS—Make out to Mountain View UMC---not to the mission charity—on memo line write "September" Communion with "month" in the quotes....and to add the charity ...example...on memo line.... “September” Communion: Red Bird Mission. Thank you.

ALTAR FLOWERS—Please call Jo Lied (altar flower coordinator) at 719-726-0668 to schedule a date for you to bring flowers to honor someone and then call Sandy Rucker (church secretary) at 719-687-3868 to place in the bulletin for the designated Sunday service. Please have flowers on the alter by 10:00 am that morning and remove by Wednesday of the following week.

RECYCLE PILL BOTTLES—Instead of throwing away your empty pill bottles, pull your label off, wash them in soap and water and put them in the Pill Bottle Box in the Narthex. They will be donated to Matthew 25: Ministries to help improve the health care in hospitals and clinics in developing countries.

We now have a **DONATE** button on our website: www.mtviewumc.org! Click on DONATE on the Home page. Scroll down and click on the blue button and away you go! Please note that there are costs involved with on-line donations. If you use a credit card, there is a 1.5% base Donorbox charge plus a 2.9%+\$.30 credit card charge. If you use checking account information, there is only the 1.5% base Donorbox charge.

Meet Your New Neighbors. Bring them a gift bag from MVUMC and add your own gift to the bag... of a baked good or kitchen towel or something if you like. Make our new residents know that they are welcome to be our guests any time here at Mountain View. Bags are available for you to pick up at the tables and counter in the narthex.

From Your Car Door to the Church Door. Our Congregational Carrier is available to take you to the Narthex door before and after worship services. It can carry what you use for mobility assistance or we have a wheelchair and walkers available too. Park in the West lot, exit your car and wave down at the driver.