

All Are Welcome

Our congregation recognizes that all people are uniquely loved and valued by God. We welcome diversity of race, ability, sexual orientation, age, gender identity, religious background, opinion, marital status or economic condition. MIPC is an open and affirming church community of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

Things to Know Today

Please sign the Friendship Register in your pew, then pass it on to the others next to you. Thank you!

The Hidden History of the Gospels , Begins Next Sunday, May 5 at 9:30am

Join us as we begin a three-week series where we explore the formation of the Gospels. Each class session can be attended individually, but attending all three sessions will provide a great overview into how we came to have the Christian Bible we are all familiar with. Class led by Hugo Torres in the Fireside Room.

Wednesday Bible Study, 11:00am in the Fireside Room

We begin with prayer, open the Bible, and explore the text together for an hour. Please join us in our study of 1st Kings. Contact: DanH@mipc.org.

Bingo, Coffee & Bagels, Thursday, May 16, 10:30am-11:15am in the Gym

Super 60's and Pebble Preschool present "Bingo, Coffee, & Bagels"! Join us to play a few rounds of Bingo while enjoying some coffee, bagels, and laughter. Free to play. Prizes for winners. RSVP to RuthAnnB@mipc.org. 206-232-5595 x1002

SAVE THE DATE: Seattle Mandolin Orchestra, Saturday, May 18 at 7:00pm

This unique orchestra's repertoire encompasses baroque, classical, jazz and folk traditions. Please join us for the last concert of our season.

MIPC Sunday Worship Schedule:

8:00am Breakfast is Served in the Gym

8:30am Worship in the Gym

9:30am Sunday School Hour

10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary *(live-streamed)*

NEXT SUNDAY: John 15:9-17 | Kristy Farber

MIPC Giving



SCAN ME

Welcome to Worship

April 28, 2024 | 10:30 AM



"Shared ministry will bear no fruit unless it is rooted in God. Disciple to disciple, and generation to generation, may we abide in God, sharing the watch as we traverse the unending sea of God's abiding love."

~ Austin Shelley

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We Gather in God's Name

PRELUDE *Sonata no.5: 2nd mvt, Andante* | Mozart

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Friends, we know what God desires of us:

**That we do justice, and love kindness,
and walk humbly with God.**

We gather this morning to remind each other about that,

**To remember that now is always
the right time to do these things.**

So with thanks in our hearts, let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN | *Because You Live, O Christ #249 (v. 1-3)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are so scattered, O God:

We flit from cause to cause;

We are easily distracted by the next important thing;

We think about yesterday and tomorrow but not today.

Help us to be mindful of the grace and beauty that surround us right now.

Help us commit to the need that is before us right now.

Help us to think deeply, and respond generously,

as you have loved us deeply and forgiven us generously.

This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The mercies of God are from everlasting to everlasting.

Let us proclaim the Good News:

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

*SUNG RESPONSE | *Glory to God*

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL TIME

Elementary age children are invited to go to the Worship Center.

We Receive God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING | John 15:1-8

SERMON

Lindsay Murphy

SILENT MEDITATION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE | *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song #285 (v. 1-3)*

We Offer Our Lives

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY | *You Are the Vine*

Choir

There is a box in the back of the sanctuary to collect our offerings as well as prayer request cards. Or visit mipc.org/onlinegiving for other donation options.

*DOXOLOGY

COMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

God in your grace,
Hear our prayer.

We Are Sent to Serve

*CLOSING HYMN | *Be Thou My Vision #450 (v. 1-4)*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Concerto no. 1, F Major: Allegro Moderato* | Walther

Eric Johnson, organist

Today's organ music: Austria/Germany, 18th c.

**You are invited to stand as you are able.*