



MANHATTAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord's Day, March 11th, 2018

Welcome

We are so excited you can be here today to join in worshipping the God of the universe with Manhattan Presbyterian Church. We love God and are thrilled to see God build this local church body for the furthering of His Kingdom in Manhattan, Kansas. We know visiting a church can lead to a lot of questions and we'd love to help you find answers so please ask. You'll find a visitor card in the pew, please fill it out and place in the offering later in the service. Again, we're really glad you're here.

Sunday Information

Nursery

Nursery is provided on the north side of the building (to the right from the entryway) for children under 4 years, but they are also always welcome in the service.

Restrooms

Restrooms are located in the entrance hallway.

Children's Sunday School

We currently have two 8-week sessions of Children's Sunday School: one in the Fall and one in the Spring. It's for kids 4 years old and up and meets immediately after the service.

Why Robes?

The pastors wear robes during the service which might seem odd. This has been a tradition of the church for many centuries. It helps connect us to our past heritage.

The robe also helps emphasize the office of the pastor and de-emphasize the personality of the men in the pulpit. It serves to take notice away from what Brian, Travis, Tim or Jon are wearing that particular Sunday, thus focusing us away from their terrible fashion senses and onto Christ himself. At first it may seem odd, but after a few services you won't notice it, which is partly the point.

Serving

Serving This Week (March 11th 2018)

Musicians:

Piano: Katie Thomas

Singers: Andrew Franks & Christie Langevin

Sound: Ryan Cyr

Nursery: Alexia Machina & Samuel Kassing

Greeter: Garrett & Michaela Brooks

Lord's Supper Prep: Robyn & Katherine MacGregor

Bread Baker: Katie Hardy

Announcements: Amy Shanahan

Serving Next Week (March 18th 2018)

Musicians:

Piano: Nicola Cyr

Singers: Tricia Dunning & Susie Stanfield

Sound: Rodney Stanfield

Nursery: Shelli Brandmahl & TBD

Greeter: Jon and Jack Dunning

Lord's Supper Prep: Lucy Dunning

Bread Baker: Laura Hough

Announcements: Shawn Brandmahl

How to Help Serve

If you are interested or willing to serve in any way please let us know.

We always need more hands to make light work.

Nursery: Katie Hardy, katie.hardy@cru.org

Music (instruments/singing) & Sound: Tim Durrett, timothy_durrett@yahoo.com

Greeting & Lord's Supper prep: Hope Perlstein, hope.perlstein@gmail.com

Anything else: Brian Hough, brian@manhattanpres.com

“For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”

Galatians 5:1

NEWS & EVENTS

Parish Groups

Sunday Parish meets the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month;
Thursday Parish meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday.

Sunday Parish

Join us **TODAY after the worship service and Children's Sunday School** (about 11:30a) at the Shanahan home (4407 Harbour Hill Dr) to share a meal followed by discussion and prayer. No preparation necessary.

**To sign up to bring food visit
perfectpotluck.com**
last name: Sunday
password: 1234

Thursday Parish

Join us **Thursday evening, March 15th** at 6:00pm at the Durrett's home (2505 Sumac) for dinner followed by a discussion and prayer. No preparation necessary.

**To sign up to bring food visit
perfectpotluck.com**
last name: Thursday
password: 1234

Good Friday Worship Service

Friday, March 30th, 7p

We will have a short service on Good Friday to help prepare our hearts for the resurrection celebration on Easter Sunday.

Nursery provided.

To the Parents of Young Children:

Welcome! We are so glad you are here and we would especially like to welcome those of you with young children. In order to make the most of your time with us, may we suggest the following:

Relax! Unlike many places, we want Manhattan Pres to be a place where children are both seen and heard! So don't worry if your children wiggle in the pew or make a little noise. This is God's house and all are welcome - especially the little children!

If you can, sit toward the front of the sanctuary where it is easier for the children to see and hear. Children, like the rest of us, tire easily from staring at the backs of other peoples' heads!

Quietly explain the different parts of the service so the children understand what's going on.

Sing the hymns, pray the prayers, and participate in the responses. Children learn how to worship by imitating you.

If you have to step outside of the sanctuary during the service, feel free to do so. But please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me."

Let's be sure to welcome the children so that they always know that the church is for them as much as it is for the rest of us!

To the Members of our Church Family:

The presence of children is a gift to our church, and they are a tangible reminder that our church family is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents. They probably need it! Children, please feel free to draw or write on this worship program as well as the children's bulletin or Children's Sermon Note sheets available.

Reflection

“An absent awareness of eternity leads to fearful daily living. We fear missing out on relationships, experiences, and enjoyments, so we rush along...When our pursuits fail to produce the happiness we are longing for, we simply go on to the next thing. We know we are thirsty, but the more we seek refreshment, the more we find ourselves weary and worn.

We are like a woman standing by the ocean, desperate for a drink. In an attempt to alleviate her thirst, she consumes the water before her. By doing so, she finds herself increasingly thirsty. If she continues to drink she will ultimately die. While the ocean is good, beautiful, and enjoyable, it is unable to quench her thirst. It is unable to satisfy because it was not created to do so.”

- Melissa Kruger

Standing

God invites us to worship Him, we respond to His invitation.

Call to Worship from Psalm 36:5-9

Pastor: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

**People: Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;
your judgments are like the great deep.**

Pastor: How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

People: For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

A Mighty Fortress is our God

A mighty Fortress is our God,
 A Bulwark never failing;
 Our Helper He amid the flood
 Of mortal ills prevailing:
 For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe;
 His craft and power are great, And, armed with cruel hate,
 On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
 Our striving would be losing;
 Were not the right Man on our side,
 The Man of God's own choosing:
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;
 Lord Sabbath His Name, From age to age the same,
 And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
 Should threaten to undo us,
 We will not fear, for God hath willed
 His truth to triumph through us:
 The Prince of Darkness grim, We tremble not for him;
 His rage we can endure, For lo! his doom is sure,
 One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers,
 No thanks to them, abideth;
 The Spirit and the gifts are ours
 Through Him who with us sideth:
 Let goods and kindred go, This mortal life also;
 The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,
 His Kingdom is forever.

Standing

Psalm 46:10-11

"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"
 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress."

"Bulwark"

means defensive wall.

"work us woe"

That's not good, Satan wants to destroy us.

Words & Music:
 Martin Luther 1531

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Standing

Pastor Brian
Hough

Prayer of Adoration

This is a prayer of praise and adoration for who God is. This prayer focuses on the glory and honor of our great and mighty God, but also asks God to help us worship Him.

Each week after the Prayer of Adoration with one voice we pray the Lord's Prayer.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father which 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.

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and death?

People: **That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.**

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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, amen

Standing

Catechism is a strange word. It's basic meaning is "to teach orally." They are written as a series of questions and answers designed to teach the people of God a summary of what the Scriptures teach, also called doctrine.

The Heidelberg Catechism was written 1563, there are 129 Questions and Answers.

Gloria Patri is a brief historical praise to God which clearly sets forth Trinitarian understanding

Sitting

Because sin is so pervasive in both our corporate and individual lives, Christians are called to come before our holy God with honesty and transparency, confessing our brokenness and asking for both forgiveness and healing through Jesus Christ.

See **1 John 1:9** for more on confession.

The Words of Assurance declare the good news that all those who hope in Jesus alone to make them right with God are forgiven, not based on their own merits, but based on God's promise of salvation in Christ.

We Confess Our Sin

O God of all grace, we confess that we are sinners,
but in Christ you have given us a Savior.
Produce in us a faith to live by him,
to make him our desire, our hope, our glory.
Preserve us by his grace from this present evil world,
so that its smiles never allure us, its frowns never terrify us,
its vices never defile us, its errors never delude us.
Cause us to live as strangers and pilgrims
in the cities of this earth,
knowing that our true citizenship is in the city of heaven,
so that all we do may be done to the Savior's glory;
in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance

Romans 8:1-2

“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.”

For All The Saints

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Allelu...

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Allelu...

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Allelu...

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed.
Alleluia, Allelu...

But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on his way,
Alleluia, Allelu...

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Standing

Hebrews 12:1-2

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.”

Words: William
Walsham How

Music: Christopher
Miner

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Standing

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as, “The peace of Christ with you” and the response, “And also with you.”

1 John 4

Sitting

The Pastoral Prayer is a prayer offered by an elder during the service of worship for, and on behalf of, the congregation.

Passing of the Peace

Pastor: Jesus says in Matthew 11:28, “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

People: We come, O Christ, to you.

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you!

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Timothy Durrett

We Give Our Tithes and Offerings

The offering is a way for Christians to support the church's mission and ministry. Christians give back to God a portion of all the resources which God has given. We give as an act of faith and gratitude in response to God's grace to us.

Words for Reflection

Like the disciples at Emmaus, we offer what we have. They offered their company, their table, their bread. We invite You to be with us as we offer You our love, our devotion and these gifts. May our eyes be opened to your holy presence, now and always. Amen.

Sitting

We include Tithes and Offering in the service because we view it as a means of participating in worship.

If you are guest today please feel no obligation to give.

Online Giving Option

We learn in the Scriptures that tithes and offerings are an act of worship to God. That is why we include an offering in the liturgy each week. We also know that in a era when we don't use checks or cash very often, remembering to bring it to church with you can be difficult. In order to assist your desire to faithfully support Manhattan Pres the Elders have decided to set up an online giving option. You can give via check or card; one time or setup a reoccurring gift. As always, all gifts are tax deductible under our 501(c)(3) status.

To give online go to

manhattanpres.churchcenter.com

We will always have time of offering in the worship service as well.

We preach from the English Standard Version.

As the Bible is the primary means by which God speaks to and edifies His people, we read and listen to the Scriptures together in worship. In ancient Israel and the early church, services of worship were organized for the public reading of Scripture - a practice vital to building up the community of faith.

A sermon is not just a teaching for living; it is mainly a time when Christ encounters His people through His Word.

I Thirst: John 19:28

Pastor Brian Hough

Isaiah 40:8

“The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.”

Song of the Cross

**Love lifted on the cross for me
My Lord my God my salvation (2x)**

Behold the wood of the cross
Behold the Lamb that was slain
Behold your King comes victorious
Behold He has risen again

**Love lifted high to set me free
My Lord my God my salvation (2x)**

O be exalted O God
Above the heavens and the earth
For by Your cross and resurrection
You have redeemed the world

**Love lifted high to set me free
My Lord my God my salvation (2x)**

Give glory to the Father
Give glory to the Son
Give glory to the Holy Spirit
Give glory to the Holy One

**Love lifted high to set me free
My Lord my God my salvation
(4x)**

Standing

1 Corinthians 1:18

“For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”

Words & Music:
Susan HooKong-
Taylor

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The Lord's Supper

Communion is a sign and seal for those who believe in Jesus Christ alone for the forgiveness of sin. It's not for good people. It's for you if you believe and embrace that you are worse and more messed up than you ever dare to admit; and yet you are more loved and accepted by our Savior than you had ever dared to hope - this is because of the life, the death and the resurrection of Jesus for you.

You will be invited to come forward. We serve wine, but also offer grape juice (cups on the outside rings) for those who prefer for reasons of personal conviction.

Children are welcome to come with their parents. Each child should talk with the elders about his or her belief in Christ before taking the Lord's Supper. Please contact us to do that at a future date.

If you are not taking the Lord's Supper with us today, we don't want this to be an awkward time. You can come forward and an elder will pray with you or you may stay seated and pray one of the prayers provided on the next page. We're glad you're here today.

Words of Institution

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Pastor: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Pastor: The gifts of God are for the people of God. Come eat and drink with thanksgiving.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The prayers below are provided as guides for your silent, individual prayer during the Lord's Supper

PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR THE TRUTH

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent and convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

PRAYER OF FAITH

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Standing

Psalm 130:1

“Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!”

Psalm 130:5

“I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope”

Words: Martin Luther, 1523.

Music by Christopher Miner, 1997

Psalm 130 (From The Depths of Woe)

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me And hear my supplication;
If Thou iniquities dost mark, Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,

Men: O who shall stand before Thee?

Women (echo): O who shall stand before Thee? (2x)

To wash away the crimson stain, Grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! Are all in vain; In much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in Thy sight, All must alike confess Thy might,

Men: And live alone by mercy

Women (echo): And live alone by mercy (2x)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort, My comfort & my sweet support;

Men: I wait for it with patience

Women (echo): I wait for it with patience (2x)

What though I wait the live-long night, And til the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in His might; It doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus, O ye of Israels seed, Ye of the Spirit born indeed;

Men: And wait til God appeareth

Women (echo): And wait til God appeareth (2x)

Though great our sins and sore our woes. His grace much more
aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows, Our upmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He, Who will at last His Israel free

Men: From all their sin and sorrow

Women: From all their sin and sorrow (2x)

Benediction

“And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” amen

Philippians 4:7

Benediction is parting words of Scripture to encourage the people of God as they leave.

Doxology

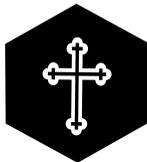
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him all creatures here below;
praise Him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Doxology is a hymn containing an ascription of praise to God.

Thomas Ken, 1709

The Service of Covenant Renewal concludes

**Go Love Your God
Go Love Your Neighbor**



LOVE GOD | LOVE NEIGHBOR



Roller skating last Sunday



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