



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, May 20th, 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 Today (May 20th 2018)

Musicians:

The Eighty-Eights: Nicola Cyr

The Axe: Sam Currey

Singers: Eric and Juli Simpson

Sound: Garrett Brooks

Nursery: Erin and Derek Ervin

Greeter: Laura Hough

Lord's Supper Prep: Michaela Brooks

Bread Baker: Alexia Machina

Announcements: Susie Stanfield

Serving Next Week (May 27th 2018)

Musicians:

Piano: Christine Miller

Singers: Tricia Dunning and Christine Durrett

Sound: Craig Cline

Nursery: Juli Simpson and Lucy Dunning

Greeter: Andrea Cline

Lord's Supper Prep: Cline Kids

Bread Baker: Juli Simpson

Announcements: Derek Ervin

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

Our Core Values:

Dependent upon Ordinary Means of Grace, Living in Covenant Community, Participating in Worship & Sabbath, Eagerly Making Disciples of Christ, Engaged in Serving the Community, Active in Church Planting & Mission Sending

Today we are highlighting what it means that we are “Dependent upon Ordinary Means of Grace.” You can read about the other Core Values & Distinctives at ManhattanPres.com

Dependent upon Ordinary Means of Grace

We believe that God has provided His Church with both a message and a means for effective gospel ministry. Just as God has ordained that a plant will grow by water and sunlight, so Christians grow through simple, God-ordained means. These means are called ordinary, not because they are without power and glory, but because they are ordinarily used by God to transform His people. The means of grace are God’s Word (1 Peter 1:23-25; 2 Timothy 3:16-17), the sacraments of Baptism (Colossians 2:11-12) & the Lord’s supper (1 Corinthians 11:23-34;) and Prayer (Matthew 6:5-13). For this reason we will seek to be a Church that is Scripture saturated, sacrament serving and prayer soaked.

Satisfy
ME IN THE
MORNING
WITH YOUR
Steadfast
LOVE

NEWS & EVENTS

Small Groups

We take a break from meeting bi-monthly for the summer, but continue to do fellowship activities! Keep an eye out in the bulletin, weekly email and on our MPC Community Facebook page.

Summer Kick off Picnic

Today from 11a-2p

Anneburg Park, large shelter

Please bring a main dish and last names A-M bring a side dish and N-Z bring a dessert, along with a serving utensil!

The shelter has tables, but bring chairs and yard games!

Reflection

“Even if we stand at the very summit of virtue, it is by mercy that we shall be saved.”

- John Chrysostom, 349-407

“You say grace before meals.

All right.

But I say grace before the concert and the opera,

And grace before the play and pantomime,

And grace before I open a book,

And grace before sketching, painting, swimming, fencing,

boxing, walking, playing, dancing

And grace before I dip the pen in the ink.”

- G.K. Chesterton

Standing

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

Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 126

Pastor: The Lord has done great things for us!

People: And we are filled with joy!

Pastor: Our God has turned our weeping into singing.

People: And our tears into songs of joy!

Pastor: O Christ of God, come anew in our hearts this day,

People: And remain in us forever.

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
 There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
 Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
 As Thou hast been, Thou forever will be.

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see.

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
 Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
 Join with all nature in manifold witness
 To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Chorus

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
 Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
 Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
 Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Chorus

Standing

Lamentations 3:22-23

“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.”

Words: Thomas
Obediah Chisholm

Music: William
Marion Runyan

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

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty

Maker of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

The Affirmation of faith is a time for us to remember together what we believe.

This is called the Apostles' Creed not because it was written by the apostles themselves, but because it contains a brief summary of their teachings. It dates back to at least the 4th century.

“**catholic**” in this creed means the true Christian Church of all times and all places, which ought not be confused with Roman Catholicism.

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

**Almighty God, your mercy is higher than the heavens,
wider than our wanderings, deeper than our sin.**

**Forgive our shallow attitude toward life,
our callousness toward suffering,
our envy of others, our neglect of your wise law.**

**Change us by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that we may desire what is good,
love what you love, and do what you command,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Silent Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance

Psalm 51:17

“The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.”

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshines blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

Standing

Psalm 13:5-6

“But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.”

Words: George Matheson 1882

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: The LORD is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.

The LORD upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you!

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Timothy Durrett

We Give Generously

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

We worship a generous God
whose son Jesus was both a gift and great giver.
As followers of Jesus
we find our deepest joy in giving,
and that's why we give this offering cheerfully!

Sitting

We include giving 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 giving is an act of worship to God. That is why we include an offering in the liturgy each week. We also know that in an 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.

A Divine Contrast: Psalm 30

Pastor Brian Hough

Isaiah 40:8

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

For the Bread

For the bread which you have broken,
 For the wine which you have poured,
 For the words, which you have spoken,
 Now we give you thanks O Lord.

By this pledge that you do love us,
 By your gift of peace restored,
 By your call to heaven before us,

Sanctify our lives O Lord. (2x)

With our sainted ones in glory,
 Seated at our Father's board,
 May the Church that waits now for Thee,
 Keep love's tie unbroken Lord.

In your service Lord defend us.
 In our hearts keep watch and ward.
 In the world where'r you send us,

May your kingdom come O Lord. (2x)

Standing

1 Corinthians 10:17

“Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.”

Words: Louis Benson

Music: Kevin Twit

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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

John 15:4

“Abide in me,
and I in you. As
the branch
cannot bear
fruit by itself,
unless it abides
in the vine,
neither can you,
unless you
abide in me.”

“eventide”
means end of
the day.

Words: Henry Lyte
1847

Music: Justin Smith

Abide With Me

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers, fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;
And, though rebellious, and perverse meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me, oft as I left Thee,
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy victory?
I triumph still, abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

Benediction

“May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Romans 15:5-6

Benediction is parting words. Either a quote from Scripture or informed by the Scriptures to encourage the people of God as they leave.

Doxology

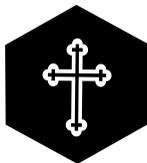
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him all creatures here below;
praise Him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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



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