Maturing Faith



MacPherson Presbyterian Church

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God calls MacPherson Presbyterian Church to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, to make disciples, and to be His witness.

Weekly Prayer Focus <u>Memory Verse</u>

"For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world our faith." $\sim \sim 1$ John 5:4

Prayer Priorities

* An excellent outreach to Happy Feet soccer.
* An amazing Family Fun Night June 30.
* A successful Cabell-Lincoln Workcamp June 16-22.
* An amazing outreach to our community through

- Vacation Bible School July 21-25.
- * For safe Youth summer camp July 29-August 3.

<u>Personal Prayer Notes</u>

Next Week's Sermon

A Father's Faith Job 1:1-5; Mark 9:14-29

Serving in Worship Today

<u>Liturgist</u> George Salyer

<u>Music</u> Mary Groening Mary Mac McLean

The Record of Our Faithfulness

<u>June 2, 2024</u>

Budget Fund: \$6,578.42 Building/Roof Fund: \$130.00

June 2, 2024

Early Service: 33 Sunday School: 32 Traditional Service: 75 Online Viewing (both services): 84 Nursery at 11:00: 4 Church Staff : Pastor

The Rev. Dr. James W. Randall, Jr. *Church Secretary* René Bahrenfuss

8:45 Worship Experience

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Prelude	
*Welcome & Pa	ssing of the Peace
Hymn #361	Hearts Through Musical Praise "How Firm a Foundation" "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"
Offering & Pray with Centsab	ver bility Offering
Scripture Lesso	ns Psalm 146:1-10 (<i>NT</i>) Hebrews 6:1-8 (<i>NT</i>)
Pastoral Prayer	
Sermon	"Maturing Faith"
*Affirmation of	Faith (p. 7)
*Departing Son "(n g #343 Called as Partners in Christ's Service"
*Benediction	
*Postlude	

<u>Sermon Notes</u>

11:00 Worship Experience

Prelude

*Welcome

Invocation

Call to Worship (Ephesians 4:7-16/*Responsively*) *One:* But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.

MANY: Therefore it says, "WHEN HE ASCENDED ON HIGH, HE LED CAPTIVE A HOST OF CAPTIVES, AND HE GAVE GIFTS TO MEN."

One: (Now this expression, "He ascended," what does it mean except that He also had descended into the lower parts of the earth?

MANY: He who descended is Himself also He who ascended far above all the heavens, so that He might fill all things.)

One: And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;

MANY: Until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. As a result, we are no longer to be children,

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tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;

One: But speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, <u>*ALL:*</u> From whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

*Hymn #361

"How Firm a Foundation"

Prayer of Confession

Call to Confession

Congregation Prayer of Confession

One: Almighty, Loving Lord and Savior, **ALL:** We are sinners. We sin against You daily. We ask for Your forgiveness. We pray You will forgive us for not sharing Your love and grace at every opportunity. We pray for Your mercy and for Your strength. We ask that You will help us to be more effective witnesses for You. Help us to turn away from the things of this world and return to You with our whole heart, mind, and spirit, so our faith grows and matures. Through Jesus we pray, amen!

Assurance of Pardon

Affirmation of Faith

From "The Scots Confession" (3.03)

By this transgression, generally known as original sin, the image of God was utterly defaced in man, and he and his children became by nature hostile to God, slaves to Satan, and servants to sin. And thus everlasting death has had, and shall have, power and dominion over all who have not been, are not, or shall not be reborn from above. This rebirth is wrought by the power of the Holy Ghost creating in the hearts of God's chosen ones an assured faith in the promise of God revealed to us in his Word; by this faith we grasp Christ Jesus with the graces and blessings promised in him.



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Weekly Calendar

<u>Sunday, June 9</u> Centsability Offering

8:45 am Early Service 9:30 am Fellowship Breakfast—All Welcome! 10:00 am Sunday School (Various Rooms) 12:15 pm Youth Fellowship (FH) 12:15 pm Session (#205)

<u>Monday, June 10</u>

7:30 am Monday Morning Prayer Meeting (FH) 7:00 pm 771 Meeting (FH)

Tuesday, June 11

6:30 pm Bible 101 (#205)

Wednesday, June 12

9:00 am ESL Tutoring (#233A) 4:30 pm McCrafters (FH) 6:00 pm BYOB & Bible Study (FH/K) 7:00 pm Freedom to Grow (#205)

<u>Thursday, June 13</u>

9:00-3:00 Children's Hope Alliance Staff (#233A)
6:00 pm Fireside Chat (YouTube)
7:00 pm Eagle Board of Review (various rooms)
7:00 pm Pastor's Bible & Book Study (#205/Zoom)

Friday, June 14

Rene on Vacation—Office Closed

6:00 pm Parlor Reserved (P) 7:00 pm SOS: Seekers of Sobriety (FH/K)

<u>Saturday, June 15</u> 8:00 am - Noon Happy Feet Soccer (field)

Next Sunday, June 16 Happy Father's Day! / Cabell-Lincoln Work Team Departs 8:45 am Early Service 9:30 am Fellowship Breakfast—All Welcome! 10:00 am Sunday School (Various Rooms) 12:15 pm Youth Fellowship (FH) 12:20 pm Choir Practice for June 23 (Choir Room)

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► Ice Cream Social & Talent Show: June 30, 2024 at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come out for a delicious ice cream sundae and to enjoy some lively entertainment. Want to be a part of the Talent Show?



Call the office and add your name to the list! Performers and audience members needed!



VBS 2024 at MacPherson Now is the time to Register! July 21-25

Scan the QR Code to register

your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, neighbor's kids—there's even a class for adults!



Next time you go shopping ... We are starting to collect nonperishable items for the nightly VBS meals. <u>These</u> <u>should be dropped off with Rene in the</u> <u>office.</u> First on the list:

Family-size bags of chips (any flavor) —
 20 bags are needed
 Cookies (such as Oreos, Chips Ahoy, store brand cookies, etc) — 20 packages needed

May We Pray for You?

The Pastor and the MacPherson Prayer Group would like to pray for you and your concerns. Please fill out the slip below and return it to the office, drop it in the collection plate, or place it into the wooden box marked "Prayer," which hangs on the wall near the Little Kitchen. You may also send a <u>confidential</u> email to Rene with this information, if you are not attending service in-person.

This person is: Myself Family member (relationship) Coworker Friend/Neighbor Church Member Request Is for:
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Surgery (Date & Time)
□Health & Healing □Hospital Stay
□Marriage & Relationships □Finances/Employment
□Spiritual Guidance □Grief
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Cancer DAddiction/Recovery
□Hospice/End of Life □Other
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□Please share with the Prayer Group & the Pastor. □This request is confidential (<u>Pastor only</u>).
\Box Please have the Pastor call me.
☐ Please add name to prayer list in bulletin/newsletter.

