



October 24, 2021 - 10:30 AM
Proper 25

Gathering

Words of Greeting and Life of the Church

Pastor Joseph Place

L: Blessings to you, servants of God.

Ps. 134

P: We lift up our hands and bless the Lord!

L: This is the day that the Lord has made;

Ps. 118:24

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Prelude

“This Little Light of Mine”

arr. M. Albrecht

Katie Staudt, handbells; Jim Klein, keyboard

Call to Worship

L: Please rise for our call to worship.

L: The Lord has filled our mouths with laughter
and our tongues with shouts of joy.

Ps. 126:2–3

**P: The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are glad indeed.**

L: Let us worship God!

(Please Remain Standing)

Opening Hymn #97

We Look Behind at All You've Done

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L: Please Be Seated

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**P: Holy God,
you know us better than we know ourselves.
You see our need when we are blind to it.
You have made us to be yours.
In your compassion,
forgive us for our lack of faith
and the harm we do to others and to your earth.
Forgive us for turning away from your will,
for ignoring the cries of our neighbors,
for failing to listen to what is most nourishing even for ourselves.
Let our faults fall from your eyes as you open ours.
Hear this and answer,
in Jesus' holy name.**

(Silent Confession)

L: Amen.

(Please Stand)

Gloria Patri, Hymn #670

GLORIA PATRI (GRETOREX)

Declaration of Pardon

L: People of God, beloved of the Lord,
the one who created you and maintains your every breath
calls you to receive mercy and be forgiven.

**P: We Live today, in the firm assurance of pardon,
so that every day our path may be strong and free,
in the name of the holy Trinity, one God, now and forever.**

L: Let us pass the peace of Christ.

Passing of the Peace (please refrain from physical contact)

(Please be Seated)

Choir Anthem

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling
Linda Hoover, Soloist

arr. Brenda Portman

Call to Offering

Offertory

Until Grace
Lyndi Peacock, Soloist

Tauren Wells and Gary LeVox

(Please Stand)

Doxology, Hymn # 668

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

(Please be Seated)

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture

Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶ They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸ Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹ Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.” ⁵⁰ So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” ⁵² Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

L: The Word of our Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

Response, Hymn #426

Open Our Eyes, Lord

OPEN OUR EYES

Sermon

“Have Mercy on Me!”

Joseph Place

(Please Stand)

Hymn of the Day #413

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

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(Remain Standing)

Affirmation of Faith

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

(Please Be Seated)

Prayers of the People, concluded with The Lord's Prayer in unison:

**Our Father who 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.**

Sending

Benediction

Postlude

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”
Jim Klein

arr. A. Krentz Organ

Assisting in Worship:

Liturgist: Beth Wingate

Ushers: Beth Wingate, Sharon Tootle, Sandy Stamper, Jean Risdon
Larry and Shirley Culver

Greeter and Coffee Fellowship Coordinator: Karen Thorstad

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Welcome to Mountain Reformed Church!

We are so grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today! **The vision** of our church is to provide an open door to relationship with God for all through worship, teaching God's Word, and by celebrating with music and the arts. **Our mission** is simple: **All Glory to God!** Our church is independent and non-denominational, with a theology based in the reformed way of being Christian. Please see our website at www.mountainreformed.org for more information about our church.

MRC Bulletin and Weekly Email

Would you like to place an announcement in the Sunday bulletin or “**This Week at Mountain Reformed Church**” email? Please send your info to josephplace@mountainreformed.org. The deadline is Monday evening of each week for the coming weekend, but we always appreciate as much notice as possible.

COVID-19 precautions:

Mountain Reformed Church seeks to provide in-person worship while maintaining appropriate safety guidelines. According to CDC guidelines, it is recommended that you wear a mask if you are not fully vaccinated for your own protection and the protection of others. Please continue to refrain from physical contact. If you are experiencing fever or symptoms, please stay at home.

Prayer Ministry and Prayer Chain

If you would like to be a part of our prayer ministry and prayer chain, please indicate this on the welcome card in your bulletin. Bonnie Pettit coordinates this ministry, and she will send prayer requests to you by email. counselorchick1@yahoo.com

Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers in several areas to help facilitate worship:

If you would like to help, please let us know! We need Ushers, Liturgists, Coffee Fellowship Helpers, Setup Assistants, Sound Technicians and Camera Operators.

Flowers - Sheri Simpson coordinates our Flower Ministry. If you would like to commemorate a special occasion by providing flowers, please ask an usher to guide you to the flower sign-up chart.

Non-Profit Corporation Status

We are diligently working to get approval for non-profit, 501(c)(3) status. Until that time your gifts will not be tax deductible, but we need your support. We are making progress! Mountain Reformed Church is now active as a Non-Profit Corporation with the Arizona Corporation Commission. We now have an employee ID number and bank account. Our form and supporting documents for the 501(c)(3) has been filed with the IRS. **We recently received word that the IRS has assigned an agent to our application.** We hope to have good news to report soon! **Please make all checks payable to Mountain Reformed Church.**

**“JESUS,
SON OF DAVID,
HAVE MERCY
ON ME!”**



MARK 10:47, NRSV

10/10/2021 Worship Attendance: 53
Bank Balances as of 10/20/2021: \$13,164

Mountain Reformed Church Expense Budget

Mountain Reformed Church Expense Budget	(reflects our current operating expenses, not all projected expenses)			
	Weekly	Monthly	Annually	
Auditorium Rental	\$300.00	\$1300.00	\$15600.00	
Choir Room (Civic Center 331)	\$30.00	\$130.00	\$1560.00	
Internet Presence (Website, email, streaming license, etc.)	\$17.31	\$75.02	\$900.28	
Video Editing	\$150.00	\$650.00	\$7800.00	
Printing	\$60.00	\$260.00	\$3120.00	
Licensing (Church Copyright License)	\$6.44	\$27.92	\$335.00	
Music Expenses (choir music, congregational arrangements, ensemble music)	\$150.00	\$650.00	\$7800.00	
Insurance	\$14.77	\$64.00	\$768.00	
Joseph Place, Pastor of Worship	\$415.00	\$1800.00	\$21600.00	
Ryan Gastonguay, Minister of Music	\$100.00	\$433.00	\$5200.00	
Pianists/ Accompanists	\$200.00	\$867.00	\$10400.00	
Total Expenses	\$1443.52	\$6256.94	\$75083.28	