

SOLI DEO GLORIA

Mountain *Reformed Church*

January 21, 2024
3rd Sunday After the Epiphany

Come, follow me. . .

and I will make you

fishers of men.



Mark 4:17

Your Church for Worship and the Arts!

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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.

Prayer of Meditation

Loving God, no matter what I am facing today—mourning or gladness, help me to focus on you throughout it all. Thank you for the assurance that I live forgiven and loved by you. I need your grace and want to share your grace with others. Help me to pour out my heart to you and then rest in peace. Amen.

Prayer Ministry and Prayer Chain

If you would like to be a part of our prayer ministry and prayer chain, please indicate this on your welcome card. Lyndi Peacock coordinates this ministry, and she will send prayer requests to you by email: lyndi@milehighlending.com. You can also call or text Lyndi at 928-899-2085. If you are seeking prayer please email Lyndi your request directly or fill out a prayer request card (available at the usher's table) and place in the offering plate.

Pastor on Call

The Rev. Dr. Gene Grimm is the Pastor on Call. If you would like to get in touch, feel free to email eugenegrimm@me.com or call 928-925-6057.

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 Ryan Gastonguay at ryan@mountainreformed.org. The deadline is Monday evening of each week for the coming weekend, but we always appreciate as much notice as possible.

Fellowship Brigade: Coffee volunteers needed

The coffee process is now easier than ever with a coffee maker conveniently located in our Event Spot kitchen! If you are interested in serving, please reach out to Beth Wingate 970-456-8763 bbs5829a@gmail.com. The signup sheet is available in the binder where our coffee and snacks are located.

MRC Name Badges

If you would like an MRC name badge, please send your name as it should appear to Ryan Gastonguay: ryan@mountainreformed.org and he will have one made.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
January 21, 2024 – 10:30 AM
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Gathering

Words of Greeting and Life of the Church

- L: Blessings to you, servants of God.
C: **We lift up our hands and bless the Lord!**
L: This is the day that the Lord has made;
C: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Prayer of the Day

Prelude

Dr. Craig Ralston

(Please stand as you are able)

Call to Worship

- L: From God comes my salvation. *Ps. 62:1–2*
C: **For God alone my soul waits in silence.**
L: God alone is my rock and my salvation.
C: **God is my fortress; I shall never be shaken.**

(Please remain standing)

Opening Hymn #463

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

TOPLADY

(Please be seated)

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Forgiving God,
we repent of all the ways we turn from you.
You call, but we do not listen;
you show us your path, but we prefer our own way.**

Jonah 3:1–2, 10

**Forgive us, heal us, and lead us back to you,
that we might show mercy to others.
In Jesus' name we pray.**

(Silent Confession)

L: Amen.

(Please stand as you are able)

Gloria Patri, Hymn #670

GLORIA PATRI (GRETOREX)

Declaration of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

(Please be seated)

Anthem

Will You Come and Follow Me

Tom Trenney

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Dr. Craig Ralston

(Please stand as you are able)

Doxology, Hymn #668

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

(Please be seated)

The Word

The Lesson

1 Corinthians 7:29-31 (ESV)

29 This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, 30 and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, 31 and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

L: The Word of our Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

The Holy Gospel

Mark 1:14-20 (ESV)

14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, 15 and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

16 Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. 19 And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. 20 And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Gospel Response Hymn #84

Lead Me, Lord

GOODINE

Sermon

“The Time Has Come!”

Pastor Gene Grimm

(Please stand as you are able)

Hymn of the Day #434

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

ASSAM

(Please remain standing)

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

L: Christians, what do you believe?

**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 for 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
Charge**

Benediction

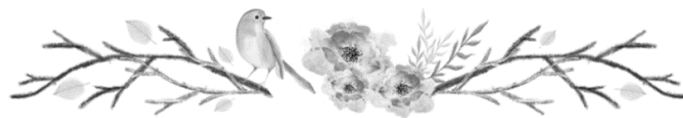
Response

Threefold Amen

L. LARSON

Postlude

Dr. Craig Ralston



Flowers today are in celebration of Eleaser Ochoa's birthday. His loving wife, grandchildren, and great grandchildren want to express our heartfelt appreciation for the wonderful patriarch he is to our family. Your love, wisdom, and kindness have shaped our family in beautiful ways. May this birthday bring you joy, peace, and the knowledge that you are cherished beyond measure. Thank you for being a beacon of love and faith in our lives. We love you.

Assisting in Worship:

Pianist: Dr. Craig Ralston

Liturgist: Eileen Klein

Acolyte: Rahab Gastonguay

Ushers: Beth Wingate & Judi Williams

Sound Technician: Fred Williams

Camera Operator: Charlie Simpson

Coffee Fellowship Coordinator: Beth Wingate

Greeter: Karen Thorstad

Card Ministry

Cards for encouragement, celebration, sympathy, get well, birthdays and more can be mailed out via our Card Ministry. Pam Rineholt, Amy Greenland, Beth Wingate, Carolyn Peterson, Sharon Tom, Linda Enoch, Julie Ruppert, Sheri Simpson, and Geraldine Keenan coordinate this ministry and can always use donations of cards and stamps. Please let us know if you have someone whose day would be brightened by receiving a card from Mountain Reformed Church! If requesting a card or prayer where a card would be desirable for anyone whose address is not in our current Directory, please include the full name and address of the appropriate recipient along with your request. Please email Pam Rineholt: pueblodesign@gmail.com.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer shawls serve as a tangible reminder of God's love for those who are walking through difficult times. A prayer shawl can bring great comfort! Shawls can also be given in celebration of milestones such as graduations, weddings, and new babies. Our shawls are lovingly created by Sharon Tom, Barbara Poland, Sheri Simpson, Debra Ochoa, and Amy Greenland. Please let us know if you have someone who needs a prayer shawl! Recipients do not have to be local. Anyone with a love for knitting or crochet is welcome to participate in this ministry as well. Please email Sharon: sharonctom@yahoo.com.

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. **The 2024 flower sign-up sheet is now available at the usher's table!**

Mountain Reformed Church Expense Forecast 2024

Mountain Reformed Church Financial Activity Summary (reflects our current operating expenses and general fund giving, not all designated giving & expenses)

	Weekly	Monthly	Annual
OFFERINGS (GENERAL FUND)	\$3,080.31	\$13,348.00	\$160,176.00
TOTAL FACILITY	\$793.00	\$3,436.00	\$41,236.00
TOTAL PERSONNEL	\$1,575.00	\$6,828.00	\$81,920.00
TOTAL MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$462.00	\$2,002.00	\$24,020.00
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$213.50	\$930.00	\$11,160.00
Total Expenses	\$3,043.50	\$13,196.00	\$158,336.00

1/14/2024 Worship Attendance: 97

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