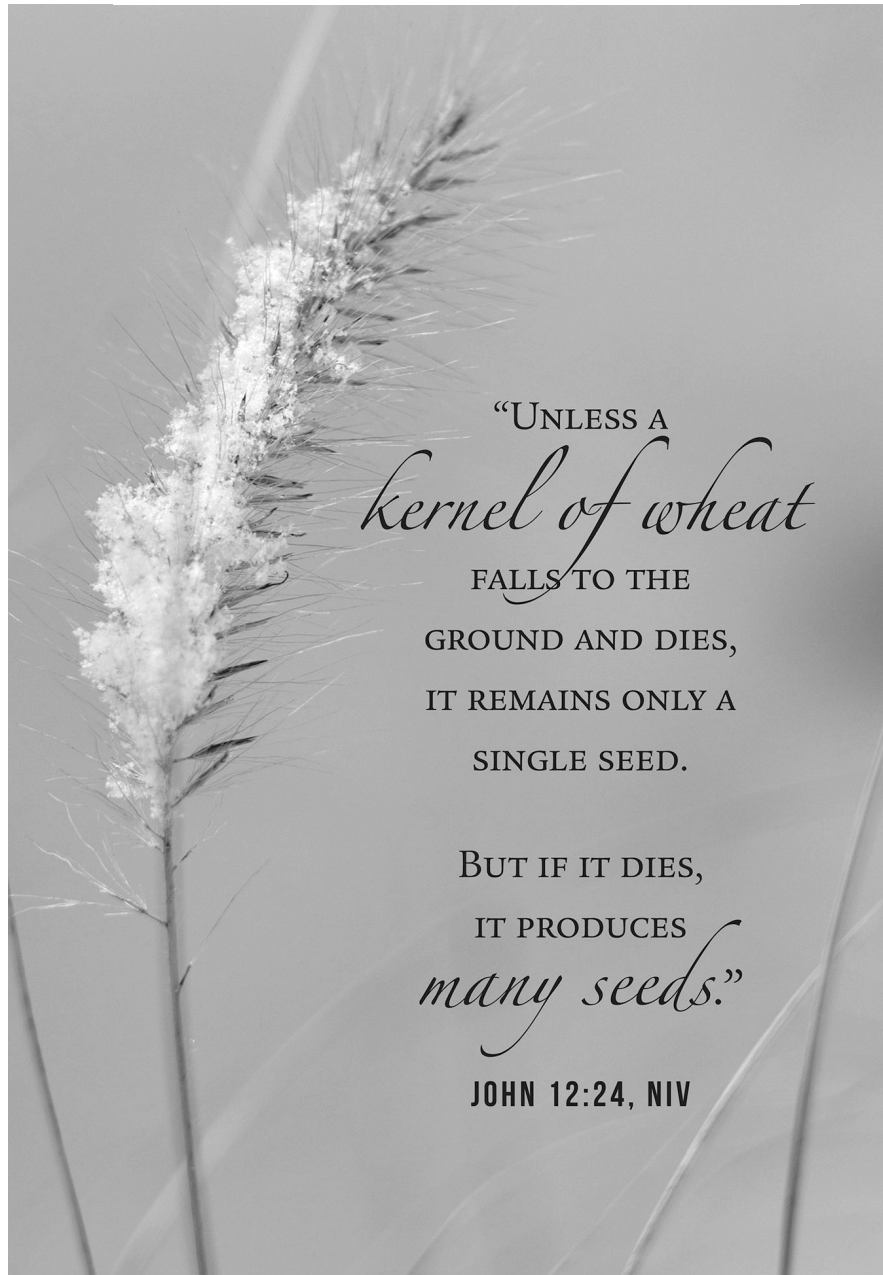




**Mountain**  
*Reformed Church*



“UNLESS A  
*kernel of wheat*

FALLS TO THE  
GROUND AND DIES,  
IT REMAINS ONLY A  
SINGLE SEED.

BUT IF IT DIES,  
IT PRODUCES  
*many seeds.”*

JOHN 12:24, NIV

***Your Church for Worship and the Arts!***

**WORD | CONNECTION | MUSIC**

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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](http://www.mountainreformed.org) for more information about our church.

## **Prayer of Meditation**

Loving God, you offer the gift of new life each day.  
Open my heart to receive this grace that I may be wholly yours,  
then give me the courage to share this gift wherever I go  
as I seek to walk in your way of mercy, forgiveness, and newness of life. Amen.

## **Let Go for Lent**

Thank you, everyone who let go of clothes and shoes for this year's "Let go for Lent" project. You bring honor to God and blessings to our community with your incredible generosity. May the blessings you create come back to you tenfold. Thank you!

## **New Website is NOW LIVE!**

The Mountain Reformed website has been transferred to a new and improved platform and is now active. We are excited to refresh our online presence and know you will find it intuitive and easy to navigate!

## **MRC To Hold Maundy Thursday Service**

Mountain Reformed Church will be holding a Maundy Thursday service at "The Event Spot" on March 28th at 7pm. Make plans now to attend this poignant service where we will observe Holy Communion and consider the passion of our Lord.

## **Tulips for Easter morning!**

If you would like to share a splash of color and joy for our Easter worship, you are welcome to bring a potted tulip on 3/31 and take it back home with you after the service!

## **MRC Women's Workshop April 6th**

The women of MRC will be holding a Workshop 9am-2:30pm on Saturday April 6th at Emmanuel Lutheran Church 7763 E Long Look Dr Prescott Valley AZ 86314. The cost of attendance is \$25, and checks can be made payable to Mountain Reformed Church with Women's Workshop in the memo line. A registration form can be found at the Usher's Table with further details.

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
March 17, 2024 – 10:30 AM  
*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent*

**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

*Lenten Meditation*  
Katie Staudt, handbells; James Klein, keyboard

by Brian Childers

**(Please stand as you are able)**

Call to Worship

- L: From water to wilderness:  
C: **God's covenant continues;  
God's kingdom comes near.**

- L: On stone and in hearts:  
C: **God's covenant continues;  
God's kingdom comes near.**

- L: From the ancestor of nations to the Son lifted up:  
C: **God's covenant continues;  
God's kingdom comes near.**

- L: We follow Jesus on the Lenten path,  
C: **for where he is, we would be also.**

*John 12:26*

**(Please remain standing)**

Opening Hymn #130

*Here I Am to Worship*

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

**(Please be seated)**

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Redeeming God,  
we confess that we have not loved you  
with our whole heart,  
and have not loved our neighbors as we ought;  
we have strayed from your commandments.  
Do not remember our sins, but forgive  
our iniquities,  
that we may fix our eyes on you and sin no more,  
through Christ our Lord,**

*Ps. 119:10*

*Jer. 31:34  
Ps. 119:15b*

**(Silent Confession)**

L: Amen.

**(Please stand as you are able)**

Gloria Patri, Hymn #670

GLORIA PATRI (GRETOREX)

Declaration of Pardon

L: Sisters and brothers, by the faith of Christ,  
your sins are forgiven.  
May you delight in the joy of your salvation.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

Passing of the Peace

**(Please be seated)**

Anthem

*My Song Is Love Unknown*

arr. Molly Ijames

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*O Salutaris Hostia*  
Musika Religiosa (Philippine)  
Kathleen Cuvelier, soprano

arr. Juan M. Buencamino

*O saving Victim, opening wide the gates of heaven for us all.  
Our foes press us on every side.  
Thine aid supply, Thy strength bestow.  
O Three in One, to Thy great name be endless praise  
and grant us our final days in Heaven with Thee.*

**(Please stand as you are able)**

Doxology, Hymn #668

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

**The Word**

The Lesson

Psalm 51:1-12 (ESV)

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy  
blot out my transgressions.
- 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!
- 3 For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you, you only, have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you may be justified in your words  
and blameless in your judgment.
- 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,  
and in sin did my mother conceive me.
- 6 Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,  
and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.
- 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8 Let me hear joy and gladness;  
let the bones that you have broken rejoice.
- 9 Hide your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God,

and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

L: The Word of our Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

Response Hymn #529

*Change My Heart, O God*

CHANGE MY HEART

Prayer for Illumination

The Holy Gospel

John 12:20-33 (ESV)

20 Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. 21 So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” 22 Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. 23 And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

27 “Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” 29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” 30 Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” 33 He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

P: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

Sermon

“Costly Love: Our Path to Abundant Life”

Lyndi Peacock

**(Please stand as you are able)**

Hymn of the Day #413

*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*

LEMMEL

**(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:

*(words of prayer, each petition followed by)*

**P: ... Create in us a clean heart, O God,**

**C: and renew a right spirit within us.**

**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

*Belfast Amen*

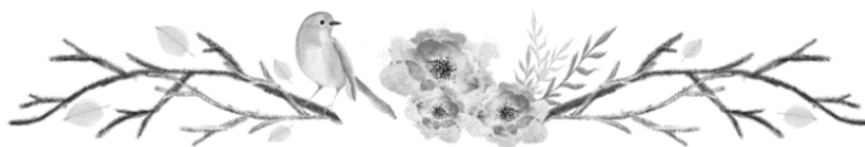
STOPFORD

Postlude

*Faith of our Fathers*  
(Hymn #594)

arr. B. Edstrom

Katie Staudt, handbells; James Klein, keyboard



Flowers today are in memoriam of Efren Puig, Kathleen Cuvelier's husband.

**Assisting in Worship:**

Pianist: Jim Klein

Liturgist: Linda Hoover

Acolyte: Rahab Gastonguay

Ushers: Larry & Shirley Culver

Sound Technician: Fred Williams

Camera Operator: Charlie Simpson

Coffee Fellowship Coordinator: Beth Wingate

Greeter: Karen Thorstad





# SERMON NOTES **for kids**

AS YOU ATTEND CHURCH SERVICE WITH YOUR FAMILY, USE THIS SHEET TO HELP YOU PAY ATTENTION AND LEARN. WE WANT YOU TO WORSHIP WITH US BY SINGING TO GOD AND LISTENING TO THE MESSAGE!

WHO IS SPEAKING? \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

MESSAGE TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT IS THE MAIN PASSAGE WE ARE READING TODAY?

BOOK:

CHAPTER:

VERSE:



WHAT ARE YOU LEARNING ABOUT FROM THIS PASSAGE:

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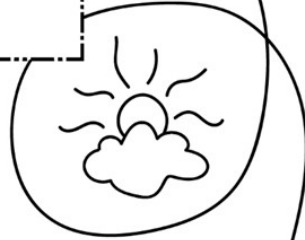
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DRAW SOMETHING YOU HEARD IN THE SERMON OR IN A SONG TODAY!



MY QUESTIONS & NOTES



THINGS I HAVE QUESTIONS ON TODAY:

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IMPORTANT POINTS / VERSES FROM TODAY:

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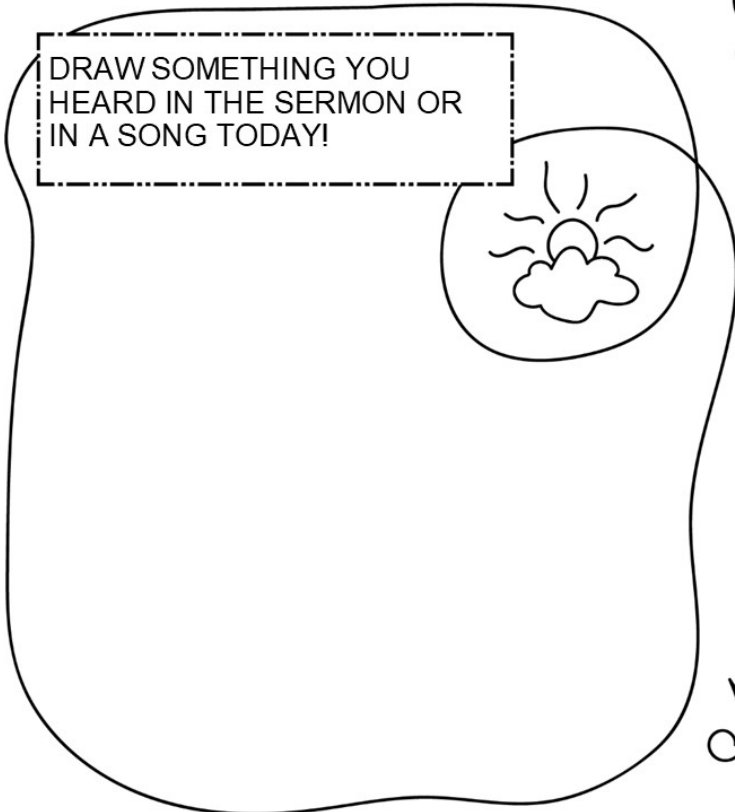
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MY FAVORITE SONG FROM TODAY WAS...

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### **MRC to offer Mid-week Bible Study**

We would like to know how many folks would be interested in attending a mid-week Bible study. Please add your name and email address to the list located at the “welcome” table. More details will be available soon!

### **MRC To Present Spring Cantata “O How Glorious” on May 5<sup>th</sup>!**

The music ministry of MRC is excited to announce that our spring cantata “O How Glorious” will take place on Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup>, with services at 9am and 11am. This inspirational music and worship celebration will feature the works of Mack Wilberg, Barlow Bradford, John Rutter, Philip Stopford and Ola Gjeilo by our outstanding sanctuary choir and orchestra.

### **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](mailto:ryan@mountainreformed.org). The deadline is Monday evening of each week for the coming weekend, but we always appreciate as much notice as possible.

### **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](mailto: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.

### **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](mailto:pueblodesign@gmail.com).

### **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](mailto:eugenegrimm@me.com) or call 928-925-6057.

## **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](mailto:sharonctom@yahoo.com).

## **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](mailto:ryan@mountainreformed.org) and he will have one made.

## **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.

## **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](mailto:bbs5829a@gmail.com). The signup sheet is available in the binder where our coffee and snacks are located.

## **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!**

**\*A LARGE PRINT VERSION OF THIS BULLETIN IS 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
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,043.50</b>	<b>\$13,196.00</b>	<b>\$158,336.00</b>

**3/10/2024 Worship Attendance: 69**

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