



"GIVE US A KING TO GOVERN US."

WELCOME

- Greeting
- Announcements
- Prelude ~ *Solemn Melody*—John S. Dixon

CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

People of God, hope in the Lord,

for with the Lord there is steadfast love.

Let us worship God.

+HYMN 169 ~ *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* - Selected by Rowena Johnson (v.1, 3, 4, and 5)

+CONFESSION

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. You claim us as your people, but we seek out other saviors. You welcome us into your house, but we bring conflict and division. Forgive us, God of grace. Restore and rebuild us so that we may be ready to live together in your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Hear now our silent prayers to you...

- *Lord, Have Mercy* ~ Hymn 444

**Forgive our sins as we forgive,
you taught us, Lord, to pray,
but you alone can grant us grace
to live the words we say.**

**Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls
and bid resentment cease.
Then, by your mercy reconciled,
our lives will spread your peace.**

- Assurance of Forgiveness
- Response of Thanksgiving ~ Hymn 581

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.

- Passing of the Peace

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR OPENNESS TO GOD'S WORD - HYMN 626 ~ *As the Deer* - Selected by a Member

As the deer pants for water, so my soul longs after you

You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

You alone are my strength, my shield;

to you alone may my spirit yield.

You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING - MARK 3:20-35

...and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. When Jesus' family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

ANTHEM ~ Summer Choir

SCRIPTURE READING - 1 Samuel 8:4-20

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only — you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day."

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! But we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

SERMON ~ Give Us A King - by Rev. Matt Falco

+HYMN 275 ~ A Might Fortress Is Our God (v. 1, 2, 4)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

STEWARDSHIP

- Call to Stewardship

Stewardship is a time to consider all our gifts. Think of how Jesus teaches us to spend the time, talents, and money with which we've been blessed. Think of how we each can use them to bring God's love to our neighborhood and to our world. Though many of us contribute electronically or by a check in the mail, your holding and passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication.

- Offertory — *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit* arr. Robin Morrill
Robin Morrill, piano
- + Offertory Response (Hymn 607) — *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**
- Prayer of Dedication

+HYMN 69 ~ Here I Am, Lord - Selected by many, many people!

+BENEDICTION

- + **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** - (Hymn 549) — *May the Love of the Lord*
**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.
May God's love dwell in you throughout every day.
May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

+ POSTLUDE ~ *Toccata in G*—Theodore Dubois

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to Maxwell Street, a church known for its diversity, inclusion and mission. This is Christ's Church and all are welcome. Bring your burdens as well as your hopes. Bring your disappointments as well as your joys. There is a kind of space here into which all are invited to be themselves and to feel at home. Participate to the degree you feel comfortable. Here is some information to help make you feel at home.

- LARGE PRINT BIBLES are available from the ushers.
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- Hearing help is available with a personal amplification device from the ushers.
- An elevator is located in the Education Building for your convenience.
- **Visitors interested in learning more** are invited to meet with a pastor or member of the Welcome Team in the Johnston Parlor after the service. We are glad you are here today.
- **Children are welcome in worship.** All children are encouraged to be in worship with their families so they may share in hymns, scripture, prayers, and other parts of worship. During the summer months there will be no Sunday School classes.
- There is a **Family Table** in the Lobby (area where the elevators are right outside of the sanctuary), with activities for children to do or to take home.
- **Childcare will be available beginning at 9:45am for Infant - 10 years old.** Come to the Young Children's Area in the basement. Professional caregivers and church volunteers will greet you there.

- Accessible restrooms are on the main level and basement level. Baby changing stations are available in the basement restrooms or nursery.
- Follow us on Twitter @maxpreschurch or tag #maxpres if you want to share a thought from today's service.
- + Indicates that the congregation is invited to stand in body and/or in spirit.

WORSHIP TODAY

Worship Leaders

Matt Falco, Kaitlin DeSpain, Ted Gentry, Robin Morrill, the Summer Volunteer Choir.

Acolyte

Julia Weitkamp

Ushers

The ushers are Tom Dixon, Tim Costich, Lauren Falco, Mike Schmitt, Becky Blessing, Billy & Carol Porter, and Ralph Bollinger.

Punch is served in the West Parlor by Bill, Shelli, Will & Clay Gregory. All are invited.

The flowers are given by Jody Lambert and Lynda Umfress in celebration of Ellen Allen's birthday and our friendship. Happy Birthday Ellen! An additional arrangement is given by Sandy & Joe Kyle in celebration of their 33rd wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary!

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

Nancie Field, Frankie White, Kaye Morgan, Ann Garner, Gerry Gillespie, Jeanne Tighe

SERVICE WOMEN AND MEN

Jake Abernathie, grandson of Dorothy & Loren Tice USS Harry S. Truman.

Trevor Anderson-Cooper (AOAN Weapons Department G-3, USS George HW Bush CVN77 FPO AE 09513-2803) son of Debra Anderson & Bill Cooper.

Donald Harper (Yerivan, Armenia) son of Greg & Jean Harper.

Tyler Buckley, son of Leigh Buckley.

Nathan Stepp (Newport, R. I.) grandson of Mary Anna & Fayette Stepp.

for all the families and loved ones of our service women and men; for all peace-keepers and peacemakers in families, communities and the world.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

THE APNC INVITES YOU TO "PARLOR CHATS" to discuss the progress on the search progress. Please meet with members in the Marshall Parlor following worship.

THIS IS OUR CHURCH CLEAN-UP WEEKEND! There is something for everyone! Let's spruce up and organize our buildings. Thank you to all of those who helped yesterday! For those who weren't able to make it Saturday, there is still a chance to help! We will meet today after church until 3pm. We will have a light lunch before we head out to the work area. There will be cleanup jobs that may take 30 minutes to 2 hours. All supplies will be provided. We will have a listing of opportunities for you to help posted on the boards in the hallway entrance to the sanctuary. Even if you haven't signed up, come to Fellowship Hall and see how you can help.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE meets after worship in the Field Room.

FAMILY PICNIC is today after the service. Join us at Woodland Park for lunch, family fun and games. Everyone is invited! The main course will be provided. Bring sides, drinks and desserts to share. Questions: contact michelle.jones@maxpres.org

THE NADYA BOOK CLUB ~ The May 20 meeting was rescheduled to June 10 from 6-7:30pm at Jason and Andrea's house. We're reading *The Name of God Is Mercy*, chapters 6-10. If you have questions, contact Jason at jasonmckinleywilliams@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY	
10:30am	Pastor's Coffee Hour - Meet at Coffea (385 Rose Street) to have a cup and chat with Matt.
5:30pm	Trustees Meeting
7:00pm	Session Meeting
TUESDAY	
8:30am	Sweet Blessings
9:00am	Staff Meeting
7:30pm	APNC Meeting
WEDNESDAY	
7:30pm	APNC Meeting
THURSDAY	
6:00pm	Neighborhood Meal
7:30pm	APNC Meeting
FRIDAY	
5:30pm	Rehearsal
SATURDAY	
9:00am	Mahan Woodshop

THEOLOGY ON TAP will be meeting behind the main church building in the garage of the Mahan building on Monday, June 18 at 7pm. We're encouraging you to bring a 6 pack of your favorite beer to share. We'll also be putting MSPC stickers on the water bottles to be handed out at the Pride Festival on June 30.

PRIDE FESTIVAL ~ June 30 is the date for this year's Pride Festival. We will have a booth to distribute water. We will need folks to be at the booth, to walk back and forth from church to the booth with coolers of water, etc. If you are interested in helping sign up on the friendship pad.

DUTCH goes to lunch June 24 to Palmer's (161 Lexington Green Circle). On Sundays, Palmers features a wonderful brunch menu (ranging from \$10-16 plus drink, tax and tip). We'll meet in the education lobby after worship to arrange carpooling.

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS ~ Our social worker, Shelli, distributes 30 bags a week that contain toiletries, household cleaners, toilet paper, paper towels, and oral hygiene products. When you are out shopping, pick up a few extra items to donate to this program. Items may be dropped off at the church office.

SUMMER WORK CAMPS are here! MSPC hosts church groups from all over to come stay in Blevins and participate in mission work around Lexington. On Sunday evenings, we play a game with the groups. It's a unique game called the Housing Simulation Game. It's designed to show the youth how devastating living a life in poverty can be. To play this game, however, we need at least 6 volunteers on the Sundays below. Volunteers are "stationed" at different parts of the church and role play food stamp office associates, social security office associates, social workers, school administrators, etc. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up on the friendship pad or contact Shelli (shelli@maxpres.org). **Dates needed: June 17, July 8, 15 and 22.**

VISIT THE FAMILY TABLE in the Lobby (area where the elevators are right outside of the sanctuary), with activities for children to do during worship or to take home. Check it out each week to see new activities, recipes, places to go, and things to do!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 18 - 21. VBS is a week away and **WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS!** Register online at: www.maxpres.org/vbs-2018-registration or pick up a form at church! If you are interested in volunteering there are signup sheets on the bulletin board downstairs across from Fellowship Hall. See Michelle Jones if you have any questions.

BURNAMWOOD SUMMER CAMPS ~ Calling all youth and children. Sign up for summer camps soon. Sign up at burnamwood.net. If you have any questions about camp specifically, you may email info@burnamwood.net or call 859.494.9113.

SUMMER HYMNS ~ If there is a hymn you would like to sing, please write down in the Friendship Book or email to matt@maxpres.org: your name, the hymn title (and number if you know it), and the reason you like this particular hymn.

LIKE TO SING? If you've been thinking about singing in the choir but are hesitant to make a commitment, join us this summer in the volunteer choir! Just show up in the Choir Room on Sunday mornings at 10am. All are welcome, so come sing with us!

SUMMER YOUTH EVENTS

FLOAT THE MIGHTY ELKHORN: Sunday, June 24 - Leave Church at 12:00pm, pick up at the church at 8:00pm. \$20 per person. Spend a Sunday afternoon with your friends lounging on an easy stretch of the river. RSVP to Matt at matt@maxpres.org by Monday, 6/18.

MAXWELL STREET MOVIE NIGHT: Sunday, July 22nd at Maxwell Street at 7:00pm Pick up at the church at 10:00pm. Napoleon Dynamite, The Princess Bride, Remember the Titans... something fun and highly quotable. I don't know which one it will be yet, but we're going to eat popcorn and ice cream and have a blast. I hope you'll join us! No Cost!

YOUTH MISSION OPPORTUNITY: July 30th - Serve Dinner at Hope House (8-10 volunteers) - Please let me know if you would like to help out: matt@maxpres.org

KING'S ISLAND: August 2 - We'll leave Maxwell Street at 7:45am and be back at 8:00pm. Cost is \$40. Scholarships available. Bring friends! Please let me know if you can come - matt@maxpres.org.

THE FRIENDSHIP BOOK can be found at the end of each pew. Please take the time to fill in your name, address, and phone. On the space at the end of the line, please be sure to sign up for any of the following, using more than one line if needed.

- A. NADYA Book Club - June 10
- B. Theology on Tap - June 18
- C. Pride Festival - June 30
- D. Dutch - June 24
- E. Volunteer for VBS or VBS setup
- F. Summer Work Camp Volunteers - June 17, July 8, 15 and 22
- G. Summer Hymns - (please include the title of hymn and your name)