



# MANHATTAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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The Lord's Day, January 7th, 2018

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## **Welcome**

We are so excited you can be here today to join in worshipping the God of the universe with Manhattan Presbyterian Church. We love God and are thrilled to see God build this local church body for the furthering of His Kingdom in Manhattan, Kansas. We know visiting a church can lead to a lot of questions and we'd love to help you find answers so please ask. You'll find a visitor card in the pew, please fill it out and place in the offering later in the service. Again, we're really glad you're here.

## **Sunday Information**

### **Nursery**

Nursery is provided on the north side of the building (to the right from the entryway) for children under 4 years, but they are also always welcome in the service.

### **Restrooms**

Restrooms are located in the entrance hallway.

### **Children's Sunday School**

We currently have two 8-week sessions of Children's Sunday School: one in the Fall and one in the Spring. It's for kids 4 years old and up and meets immediately after the service.

### **Why Robes?**

The pastors wear robes during the service which might seem odd. This has been a tradition of the church for many centuries. It helps connect us to our past heritage.

The robe also helps emphasize the office of the pastor and de-emphasize the personality of the men in the pulpit. It serves to take notice away from what Brian, Travis, Tim or Jon are wearing that particular Sunday, thus focusing us away from their terrible fashion senses and onto Christ himself. At first it may seem odd, but after a few services you won't notice it, which is partly the point.

### **To the Parents of Young Children:**

Welcome! We are so glad you are here and we would especially like to welcome those of you with young children. In order to make the most of your time with us, may we suggest the following:

Relax! Unlike many places, we want Manhattan Pres to be a place where children are both seen and heard! So don't worry if your children wiggle in the pew or make a little noise. This is God's house and all are welcome - especially the little children!

If you can, sit toward the front of the sanctuary where it is easier for the children to see and hear. Children, like the rest of us, tire easily from staring at the backs of other peoples' heads!

Quietly explain the different parts of the service so the children understand what's going on.

Sing the hymns, pray the prayers, and participate in the responses. Children learn how to worship by imitating you.

If you have to step outside of the sanctuary during the service, feel free to do so. But please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me."

Let's be sure to welcome the children so that they always know that the church is for them as much as it is for the rest of us!

### **To the Members of our Church Family:**

The presence of children is a gift to our church, and they are a tangible reminder that our church family is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents. They probably need it! Children, please feel free to draw or write on this worship program as well as the children's bulletin or Children's Sermon Note sheets available.

# NEWS & EVENTS

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## Parish Groups

**\*NOTE! Perfect Potluck sign ins are changing:**

Thursday group Username: Thursday - Password: 1234

Sunday group Username: Sunday - Password: 1234

### Sunday Parish

Join us **January 14th after the worship service** (about 11a) at the Shanahan home (4407 Harbour Hill Dr) to share a meal followed by discussion and prayer. No preparation necessary.

**To sign up to bring food visit  
perfectpotluck.com**

username: Sunday  
password: 1234

### Thursday Parish

Join us **Thursday evening, January 18th** at 6:00pm at the Durrett's home (2505 Sumac) for dinner followed by a discussion and prayer. No preparation necessary.

**To sign up to bring food visit  
perfectpotluck.com**

username: Thursday  
password: 1234

Sunday Parish meets the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month;  
Thursday Parish meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday.

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## New Online Giving Option

We learn in the Scriptures that tithes and offerings are an act of worship to God. That is why we include an offering in the liturgy each week. We also know that in a era when we don't use checks or cash very often, remembering to bring it to church with you can be difficult. In order to assist your desire to faithfully support Manhattan Pres the Elders have decided to set up an online giving option. You can give via check or card; one time or setup a reoccurring gift. As always, all gifts are tax deductible under our 501(c)(3) status.

To give online go to  
**manhattanpres.churchcenter.com**

We will always have time of offering in the worship service as well.

## Serving

### Serving Today (January 7th 2018)

**Musicians:**

Piano: Katie Thomas

Singers: Juli & Eric Simpson

**Sound:** Ryan Cyr

**Nursery:** A Durrett & Tricia Dunning

**Greeter:** Hope Perlstein

**Lord's Supper Prep:** Hope Perlstein

**Bread Baker:** Amy Shanahan

**Announcements:** Amy Shanahan

### Serving Next Week (January 14th 2018)

**Musicians:**

Piano: Chloe Shearon

Guitar: Chloe Shanahan

Singers: Elijah Clark & Amy Shanahan

**Sound:** Andrew Franks

**Nursery:** St. Claires & Ethan Shanahan

**Greeter:** Samuel Kassing

**Lord's Supper Prep:** Robyn & Katherine MacGregor

**Bread Baker:** Chloe Shearon

**Announcements:** Shawn Brandmahl

## How to Help Serve

If you are interested or willing to serve in any way please let us know.

We always need more hands to make light work.

**Nursery** contact Katie Hardy, [katie.hardy@cru.org](mailto:katie.hardy@cru.org)

**Music (instruments/singing) & Sound** contact Tim Durrett,  
[timothy\\_durrett@yahoo.com](mailto:timothy_durrett@yahoo.com)

**Greeting & Lord's Supper prep** contact Hope Perlstein,  
[hope.perlstein@gmail.com](mailto:hope.perlstein@gmail.com)

Anything else, Brian Hough, [brian@manhattanpres.com](mailto:brian@manhattanpres.com)

“For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”

Galatians 5:1

## Reflection

“Awakening is the powerful work of our sovereign and gracious God. When He awakens us, He doesn’t simply awaken us from sleep, but from death.”

- Burk Parsons

“He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.”

- Psalm 40:3

“God became man to turn creatures into sons: not simply to produce better men of the old kind but to produce a new kind of man.”

- C.S. Lewis

### Standing

God invites us to worship Him, we respond to His invitation.

## Call to Worship

**Psalm 98:1, 4**

**Pastor:** Sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done marvelous things!

**People: His right hand and his holy arm  
have worked salvation for him.**

**Pastor:** Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

## Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High king of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High king of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

### Standing

Luke 12:34  
"For where  
your treasure  
is, there will  
your heart be  
also."

### Philippians 3:7-8

"But whatever  
gain I had, I  
counted as loss  
for the sake of  
Christ. Indeed,  
I count  
everything as  
loss because of  
the surpassing  
worth of  
knowing Christ  
Jesus my Lord.  
For his sake I  
have suffered  
the loss of all  
things and  
count them as  
rubbish, in  
order that I  
may gain  
Christ"

Words: Ancient  
Irish poem from  
8th century

Arranged by David  
Evans, 1927

Public Domain

**Standing**

Pastor Brian  
Hough

**Prayer of Adoration**

This is a prayer of praise and adoration for who God is. This prayer focuses on the glory and honor of our great and mighty God, but also asks God to help us worship Him.

Each week after the Prayer of Adoration with one voice we pray the Lord's Prayer.

**Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father which 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.**



## Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Question 1 & 2

**Pastor:** What is your only comfort in life and death?

**People:** **That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.**

**He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil.**

**He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must work together for my salvation.**

**Therefore, by his Holy Spirit he also assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

**Pastor:** What do you need to know in order to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

**People:** **First, how great my sins and misery are;**

**Second, how I am delivered from all my sins and misery;**

**Third, how I am to be thankful to God for such deliverance.**

## Gloria Patri

**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**

### Standing

Catechism is a strange word. It's basic meaning is "to teach orally." They are written as a series of questions and answers designed to teach the people of God a summary of what the Scriptures teach, also called doctrine.

The Heidelberg Catechism was written 1563, there are 129 Questions and Answers.

Gloria Patri is a brief historical praise to God which clearly sets forth Trinitarian understanding

## **Sitting**

Because sin is so pervasive in both our corporate and individual lives, Christians are called to come before our holy God with honesty and transparency, confessing our brokenness and asking for both forgiveness and healing through Jesus Christ.

See **1 John 1:9** for more on confession.

The Words of Assurance declare the good news that all those who hope in Jesus alone to make them right with God are forgiven, not based on their own merits, but based on God's promise of salvation in Christ.

## **We Confess Our Sin**

**Father,**

**from eternity you prepared a way for our redemption through the coming of your Son.**

**You sent your holy prophets through the generations to kindle in our hearts a holy anticipation of our blessed Savior.**

**How we marvel that he was pierced for our transgressions and crushed for our iniquity.**

**The healing for which our hearts long is found in Christ alone.**

**Grant us this day, therefore, a measure of your grace to genuinely confess our sins before you.**

**Renew us in faith and love that we may welcome Christ to rule our lives, both now and forever.**

**Amen.**

## **Silent Confession of Sin**

### **Words of Assurance**

#### **Colossians 1:13-14**

“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

## Ten Thousand Reasons

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul**  
**Worship His holy name.**  
**Sing like never before, O my soul**  
**I'll worship Your holy name.**

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning  
 It's time to sing Your song again.  
 Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me  
 Let me be singing when the evening comes.

### Chorus

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger.  
 Your name is great and Your heart is kind.  
 For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing  
 Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

### Chorus

And on that day when my strength is failing  
 The end draws near, and my time has come  
 Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending  
 Ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

### Chorus

### Standing

#### Psalm 104:1-2

“Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent.”

When God “blesses” us we are in a sense being added to, and having our lives enriched. However, when we sing, “Bless the Lord” we are simply recognizing his richness and bounty, and expressing our thanks and praise for all that He is for us.

Lyrics are based on Psalm 103

Word & Music:  
 Matt Redman and  
 Jonas Myrin

**Standing**

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of friendship such as, “The peace of Christ with you” and the response, “And also with you.”

**1 John 4**

**Sitting**

The Pastoral Prayer is a prayer offered by an elder during the service of worship for, and on behalf of, the congregation.

**Passing of the Peace**

**Pastor:** Hear the teaching of Christ: A new command I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you.  
The peace of Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

**Pastoral Prayer**

Elder Travis Shanahan

## We Give Our Tithes and Offerings

The offering is a way for Christians to support the church's mission and ministry. Christians give back to God a portion of all the resources which God has given. We give as an act of faith and gratitude in response to God's grace to us.

### Words for Reflection

Lord, it's a small gesture;  
pulling coins or bills out of our pockets, writing a check.  
It almost makes no sound as it drops into the offering plate.  
But it is the sound of our hearts opening,  
giving you the fruit of our labour.  
It is our collective offering of love,  
a weekly deposit in the account of your faithfulness.  
We do this in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

### Sitting

We include Tithes and Offering in the service because we view it as a means of participating in worship.

If you are guest today please feel no obligation to give.

We preach from the English Standard Version.

As the Bible is the primary means by which God speaks to and edifies His people, we read and listen to the Scriptures together in worship. In ancient Israel and the early church, services of worship were organized for the public reading of Scripture - a practice vital to building up the community of faith.

A sermon is not just a teaching for living; it is mainly a time when Christ encounters His people through His Word.

## **You Are A New Creation: 2 Corinthians 5:17**

Pastor Brian Hough

### **Isaiah 40:8**

**“The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.”**

## When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross  
On which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
Did ever such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
That were a present far too small:  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

### Standing

#### Galatians 6:14

“But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.”

Word & Music: Isaac  
Watts 1707

ccl# 11250329

## The Lord's Supper

Communion is a sign and seal for those who believe in Jesus Christ alone for the forgiveness of sin. It's not for good people. It's for you if you believe and embrace that you are worse and more messed up than you ever dare to admit; and yet you are more loved and accepted by our Savior than you had ever dared to hope - this is because of the life, the death and the resurrection of Jesus for you.

You will be invited to come forward. We serve wine, but also offer grape juice (cups on the outside rings) for those who prefer for reasons of personal conviction.

Children are welcome to come with their parents. Each child should talk with the elders about his or her belief in Christ before taking the Lord's Supper. Please contact us to do that at a future date.

If you are not taking the Lord's Supper with us today, we don't want this to be an awkward time. You can come forward and an elder will pray with you or you may stay seated and pray one of the prayers provided on the next page. We're glad you're here today.

## Words of Institution

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**People: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Pastor: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Pastor: The gifts of God are for the people of God. Come eat and drink with thanksgiving.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving



The prayers below are provided as guides for your silent, individual prayer during the Lord's Supper

**PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR THE TRUTH**

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent and convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

**PRAYER OF FAITH**

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER OF COMMITMENT**

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

**Standing**

**1 Corinthians**

**3:11**

“For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”

**Ephesians 2:20**

“built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,”

Words: Samuel John Stone

Music: Brian Moss

## The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ her Lord,  
She is His new creation By water and the Word.  
From heaven He came and sought her To be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, Yet one over all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy Name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder Men see her sore oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder, By heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping; Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping Shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish, Her dear Lord to defend  
To guide, sustain and cherish, Is with her to the end  
Though there be those that hate her, And false sons in her pale  
Against a foe or traitor, She ever shall prevail

Mid toil and tribulation, And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore;  
'Til, with the vision glorious, Her longing eyes are blessed,  
And the great church victorious Shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union With God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion With those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we  
Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.

## **Benediction**

“Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Revelation 7:12

Benediction is parting words of Scripture to encourage the people of God as they leave.

## **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Him all creatures here below;  
praise Him above ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Doxology is a hymn containing an ascription of praise to God.

Thomas Ken, 1709

The Service of Covenant Renewal concludes

**Go Love Your God  
Go Love Your Neighbor**



**LOVE GOD | LOVE NEIGHBOR**



Christmas Brunch in the Langer's home



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