



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.

The Lord's Day, March 25th, 2018

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. The Spring session is in week 5 today.

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.

Serving

Serving Today (March 25th 2018)

Musicians:

Piano: Nicola Cyr

Singers: Eric & Juli Simpson

Guitar: Sam Curry

Sound: Garrett Brooks**Nursery:** Cline Family**Greeter:** Laura Hough**Lord's Supper Prep:** Beckham Hough**Bread Baker:** Christine Durrett**Announcements:** Derek Ervin

Serving Next Week (April 1st 2018)

Musicians:

Piano: Katie Thomas

Viola: Christine Durrett

Guitar: Sam Curry

Singers: Tricia Dunning & Elijah Clark

Sound: Ryan Cyr**Nursery:** Natalie Nelson & Laura Hough**Greeter:** Sarah Curry**Lord's Supper Prep:** Curry Tribe**Bread Baker:** Christie Langevin**Announcements:** Travis Shanahan

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: Katie Hardy, katie.hardy@cru.org**Music (instruments/singing) & Sound:** Tim Durrett, timothy_durrett@yahoo.com**Greeting & Lord's Supper prep:** Hope Perlstein, hope.perlstein@gmail.comAnything else: Brian Hough, 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

NEWS & EVENTS

Parish Groups

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

Sunday Parish

Join us **today after the worship service and Children's Sunday School** (about 11:30a) 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**
last name: Sunday
password: 1234

Thursday Parish

Join us **Thursday evening, April 5th** 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**
last name: Thursday
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Children's Sunday School

Today is week 5 of 8 of our Spring Session. The classes begin right after the service and wrap up at 11a.

We will not meet April 1 (Easter).

Pre-K (4 yrs) to 1st grade: One Story Ministries, Year 1 curriculum taught by the Ervins. Meets in Children's library.

2nd to 5th grade: One Story Ministries, Year 3 curriculum taught by the Clines. Meets upstairs, first room on the right.

Middle and High School: One Story Ministries Youth curriculum taught by the Shanahans. Meets upstairs, third room on the left.

Parents, you are welcome to help in the classrooms or fellowship and drink coffee downstairs.

Good Friday Worship Service

Friday, March 30th, 7p

We will have a short service on Good Friday to help prepare our hearts for the resurrection celebration on Easter Sunday.

Nursery provided.

Men's Saturday Study

Saturday, April 7th, 8:30a

BlueStem Bistro in Aggieville

Men, join us as we study the Westminster Confession. No preparation or prior knowledge required!

This study meets the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month.

Wedding shower for Chloe Shearon

Sunday, April 15th, after church

at Nicola Cyr's home (2315 Cheryl Ter)

Ladies, join us to celebrate this upcoming marriage! Chloe and Daniel are registered at Bed Bath & Beyond and Crate and Barrel.

Reflection

“This is the challenge for the believer this side of eternity: we cannot trust our perception of God’s closeness to be accurate. God is near whether we feel him to be or not. How mindful we are of this truth will directly affect the way we live.”

- Jen Wilkin

“When this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.”

- John Newton

Standing

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

Call to Worship

Revelation 5:1-5

Pastor: Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, “Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?” And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. And one of the elders said to me, “Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.”

People: So come, let us give him all honor and praise!

O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing
 My great Redeemer's praise
 The glories of my God and King,
 The triumphs of His grace

My gracious Master and my God
 Assist me to proclaim
 To spread through all the earth abroad
 The honors of Thy name

Jesus! the name that charms our fears
 That bids our sorrows cease
 'Tis music in the sinner's ears
 'Tis life and health and peace

He breaks the power of canceled sin
 He sets the prisoner free
 His blood can make the foulest clean
 His blood availed for me

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb
 Your loosened tongues employ
 Ye blind, behold your Savior come
 And leap, ye lame, for joy

Glory to God, and praise and love
 Be ever, ever given
 By saints below and saints above
 The church in earth and heaven

Standing

Revelation 5:11-12

"Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

The idea for this song came from a missionary named Peter Böhler who once said, "Had I a thousand tongues I would praise Him with them all."

Word: Charles Wesley, 1739

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 26

Pastor: What do you believe when you say: I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

People: **That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and all that is in them, and who still upholds and governs them by his eternal counsel and providence, is, for the sake of Christ his Son, my God and my Father.**

In him I trust so completely as to have no doubt that he will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul, and will also turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this life of sorrow. He is able to do so as almighty God, and willing also as a faithful Father.

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

**O GOD, we have sinned against you, and rebelled against you.
As prophet, you have revealed to us your will for our salvation.**

**Yet we question if you are true,
trust in other voices, run to other prophets,
find other stories more seductive,
and wish for only affirmation and never correction.**

**As priest, you have offered yourself for the Father's justice
and have reconciled sinners to the Almighty.**

**Yet we question if by faith we are truly forgiven,
wallow in guilt, swim in pride, wash our hands in other rivers,
and deny that we were sinful at birth,
from the time our mothers conceived us.**

As king, you rule, and reign, and defend.

**Yet we question if you are ruling well,
desire more power for ourselves,
spurn any authority over our own, crave different defenders,
and believe that we would be better rulers.**

We have sinned against you.

**Yet we plead, our Christ, that you would intercede
and forgive even now,
on the basis of your obedience and death,
even death on a cross.**

**May our tongues confess, that you are Lord, to the glory of
God the Father. Amen**

Silent Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance

1 Timothy 1:15

**"The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that
Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners"**

My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness

My heart is filled with thankfulness
 To Him who bore my pain;
 Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
 And gave me life again;
 Who crushed my curse of sinfulness
 And clothed me in His light
 And wrote His law of righteousness
 With pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
 To Him who walks beside;
 Who floods my weaknesses with strength
 And causes fears to fly;
 Whose ev'ry promise is enough
 For ev'ry step I take,
 Sustaining me with arms of love
 And crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness
 To him who reigns above,
 Whose wisdom is my perfect peace,
 Whose ev'ry thought is love.
 For ev'ry day I have on earth
 Is given by the King;
 So I will give my life, my all,
 To love and follow him.

Standing

Psalm 9:1-2
 "I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High."

Words & Music:
 Keith Getty &
 Stuart Townend
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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

from Psalm 130:7-8

Pastor: Hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

People: Thanks be to God!

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Tim Durrett

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

We give our offering hopefully, hoping that you can use these gifts hoping that these gifts can further your kingdom hoping that your kingdom will come.

Your kingdom, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

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.

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.

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.

Into Your Hands: Luke 23:46

Pastor Brian Hough

Isaiah 40:8

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

The Power of the Cross

Oh, to see the dawn Of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men,
Torn and beaten, then Nailed to a cross of wood.

**This, the pow'r of the cross:
Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath—
We stand forgiven at the cross.**

Oh, to see the pain Written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought,
Ev'ry evil deed Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Chorus

Now the daylight flees; Now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head. Curtain torn in two,
Dead are raised to life; "Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

Chorus

Oh, to see my name Written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death;
Life is mine to live, Won through Your selfless love.

**This, the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God—slain for us.
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.**

Standing

1 Corinthians 1:18

"For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."

Luke 23:45

"the curtain of the temple was torn in two."

Words & Music:
Stuart Townsend

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

**Philippians
2:9-11**

“Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

Credits: Words by
Dustin Kensrue,
arrangement by
Kings Kaleidoscope

All Glory Be To Christ

(Tune of Auld Lang Syne)

Should nothing of our efforts stand, No legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house
In vain its builders strive

To you who boast tomorrow's gain, Tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn
All glory be to Christ!

All glory be to Christ our king!
All glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign will ever sing,
All glory be to Christ!

His will be done, His kingdom come, On earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love

Let living water satisfy, The thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet
All glory be to Christ!

Chorus

When on the day the great I Am, The faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new.

Behold our God shall live with us, And be our steadfast light
And we shall ere his people be
All glory be to Christ!

Chorus

Benediction

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.” amen.

Romans 15:13

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

Doxology

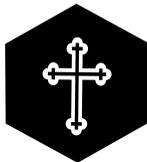
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him all creatures here below;
praise Him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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



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