

## All Are Welcome

Our congregation recognizes that all people are uniquely loved and valued by God. We welcome diversity of race, ability, sexual orientation, age, gender identity, religious background, opinion, marital status or economic condition. MIPC is an open and affirming church community of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

## Things to Know Today

Please sign the Friendship Register in your pew, then pass it on to the others next to you. Thank you!

**Blood Pressure Screening Today in the Partnerships Room**

**King David: Faithful. Flawed. Foul...** Sundays at 9:30am in the Fireside Room  
*Jump in anytime as we continue our class on King David – led by Marla Briggs (who has never been a big David fan!) Together, we'll unpack his complex life.*

**Pebble Preschool Book Fair at Island Books, Wednesday, April 24, 9am – 6pm**  
*Island Books will donate 15% of the day's proceeds directly to Pebble Preschool as a Fundraiser for Classroom and Playground Supplies. So please purchase books, gifts, and gift cards at Island Books on Wednesday, April 24th.*

**Wednesday Bible Study, 11:00am in the Fireside Room**  
*We begin with prayer, open the Bible, and explore the text together for an hour. Please join us in our study of 1st Kings. Contact: DanH@mipc.org.*

**MIPC Concert Series: Lyric Arts Ensemble, Saturday, April 27 at 7:00pm**  
*The second of our April concerts will feature the return of one of our favorites: the Lyric Arts Ensemble and Chamber Orchestra. Free will donation.*

**SAVE THE DATE: Seattle Mandolin Orchestra, Saturday, May 18 at 7:00pm**  
*This orchestra's repertoire encompasses baroque, classical, jazz and folk traditions. Please join us for the last concert of our season.*

### MIPC Sunday Worship Schedule:

8:00am Breakfast is Served; 8:30am Worship in the Gym

9:30am Sunday School Hour

10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary (*live-streamed*)

**NEXT SUNDAY: John 15:1-8 | Lindsay Murphy**

### MIPC Giving



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## Welcome to Worship

April 21, 2024 | 10:30 AM



*"God is here. We are loved. It is enough."*

~ Kate Bowler

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## We Gather in God's Name

### PRELUDE

### LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

All things bright and beautiful,  
**God created for our enjoyment.**

All things wrenching and hard,  
**God holds with tender care.**

You and I, neighbors and strangers, friends and enemies,  
**God loves without condition.**

So let us worship God.

#### \*OPENING HYMN | *The Day of Resurrection! #233 (v. 1-3)*

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God,**  
**we confess that we are often indifferent to your will.**

**You call us to proclaim your hope,**  
**but we are silent.**

**You call us to do what is just,**  
**but we remain idle.**

**You call us to give away our resources,**  
**but we hold tightly to what we have.**

**In your mercy, forgive us.**

**Give us courage to follow in your way,**  
**loving you and others each day. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear the Good News:  
God loves us and gives us new life.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

#### \*SUNG RESPONSE | *Glory to God*

#### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

### CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL TIME

*Elementary age children are invited to go to the Worship Center.*

## We Receive God's Word

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READING | John 10:11-18

### SERMON

Kristy Farber

### SILENT MEDITATION

#### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE | *Great Is Thy Faithfulness #39 (v. 1-3)*

## We Offer Our Lives

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERTORY

*There is a box in the back of the sanctuary to collect our offerings as well as prayer request cards. Or visit [mipc.org/onlinegiving](http://mipc.org/onlinegiving) for other donation options.*

#### \*DOXOLOGY

### COMMUNITY PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

God in your grace,  
**Hear our prayer.**

## We Are Sent to Serve

#### \*CLOSING HYMN | *Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! #804 (v. 1, 3, 4, 5)*

#### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

Ron Ebbers, guest organist

*\*You are invited to stand as you are able.*