

**CALL TO WORSHIP** — Psalm 100,  
from The Message translation

On your feet now—applaud God!  
Bring a gift of laughter,  
sing yourselves into his presence.

Know this: God is God and we are not.  
He made us; we didn't make him.  
We're his people, his well-tended sheep.

Enter with the password: "Thank you!"  
Make yourselves at home, talking praise.  
Thank him. Worship him.

For God is sheer beauty,  
all-generous in love,  
loyal always and ever.

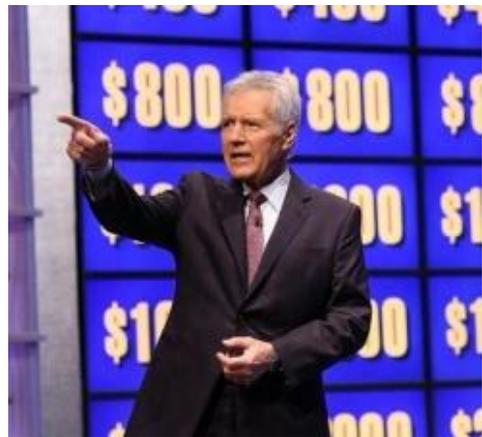
**HYMN** *Come Ye Thankful People, Come*

Come, ye thankful people, come,  
raise the song of harvest home;  
all is safely gathered in,  
ere the winter storms begin.  
God our Maker doth provide  
for our wants to be supplied;  
come to God's own temple, come,  
raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field,  
fruit as praise to God we yield;  
wheat and tares together sown  
unto to joy or sorrow grown;  
first the blade and then the ear,  
then the full corn shall appear;  
Lord of harvest, grant that we  
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,  
and shall take the harvest home;  
from the field shall in that day  
all offenses purge away,  
giving angels charge at last  
in the fire the tares to cast;  
but the fruitful ears to store  
in the garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,  
bring thy final harvest home;  
gather thou thy people in,  
free from sorrow, free from sin,  
there, forever purified,  
in thy presence to abide;  
come, with all thine angels, come,  
raise the glorious harvest home.



**CALL TO CONFESSION**—from Psalm 50:14-15

*"Offer to God a sacrifice of  
thanksgiving,  
and fulfill your promises to the  
Most High.  
Call on me in the day of trouble;  
I will deliver you, and you shall  
glorify me."*

With God's promise of deliverance, let us approach  
God in gratitude and trust with our confession:

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**We confess that it is hard these days to focus on the good, to stay positive, and to be grateful for what we have. It is easy to lose patience and hope, and we get caught between wanting to do whatever we please, and wanting to be helpful and generous to others. Help us to lean on you and each other when things get hard. Encourage our hearts, and help us to be your people, to the best of our ability in these strange days. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who is with us always.**

(time for silent prayer and reflection)

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**—from Psalm 50:23

*“Those who bring thanksgiving as their  
sacrifice honor me;  
to those who go the right way  
Thanks be to God!*



**PRAYERS OF PEACE**

Pray the peace of Christ for family and loved ones,  
neighbors and acquaintances,  
friends and enemies,  
people and places around the world.

**RESPONSE** *Let All Things Now Living*

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
to God the creator triumphantly raise.  
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed  
us,  
who guides us on to the end of our days.  
His banners are o'er us, his light goes before us,  
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night.  
Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished  
as forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces, the stars in their courses  
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
the deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.  
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration a song let us raise  
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:  
"To God in the highest, Hosanna and praise!"

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 65

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God!**

**MESSAGE** Find the Good

**HYMN** *How Great Thou Art*

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds thy hand hath made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

**Refrain:**

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:  
How great thou art! How great thou art!  
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When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:

**[Refrain]**

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin:

**[Refrain]**

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art!"

**[Refrain]**



## PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray for all in need this day, and for our world,  
especially at this time of coronavirus pandemic...



### OFFERING

### DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit ever more;  
Praise triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING

**Giving God,  
We give you thanks and praise  
for all of your gifts to us.  
We know that you are the source  
of every good thing;  
light and love come from you.  
You have created us,  
and you continue to breathe life into us  
through the power of your Holy Spirit.  
You have given us so much,  
and it is because we recognize the gifts  
you have given to us  
that we now give to the work of your kingdom.  
We dedicate our offering  
to the work of your kingdom here on earth,  
that your love may be known widely.  
In Jesus' name, Amen.**

### HYMN *Now Thank We All Our God*

Now thank we all our God  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us,  
and keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
of this world in the next.

All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son, and him who reigns  
with them in highest heaven  
the one eternal God,  
whom heaven and earth adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore

### BENEDICTION

May the grace of Christ attend you,  
The love of God surround you,  
And the Holy Spirit keep you,  
That you may live in faith,  
Abound in hope,  
And grow in love,  
Now and forevermore.  
And all of God's people said, Amen!

*"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."*  
- John 20:21



**MPC MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATES  
OCTOBER 2020**

**Treasurer's Report**

Year to date 31 October 2020

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**Revenue**

Category	Actual Income	Budgeted Income	Variances
Pledged Income	\$ 160,869	\$ 151,367	\$ 9,502
Loose Offering	1,039	3,333	(2,294)
Other Income	18,236	21,000	(2,764)
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 180,144</b>	<b>\$ 175,700</b>	<b>\$ 4,444</b>

( # ) = Income under Budget

**Expenses**

Category	Actual Expenses	Budgeted Expenses	Variances
Administrative Expenses	\$ 12,758	\$ 12,958	\$ 200
Missions	3,000	3,333	333
Staff - Salaries	87,162	90,889	3,727
Staff - Benefits, Taxes, Misc	17,224	23,086	5,862
Programs	808	3,000	2,192
Property Management	70,652	41,542	(29,110)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 191,604</b>	<b>\$ 174,808</b>	<b>\$ (16,796)</b>

( # ) = Expenses over Budget

Budgeted items at 10/12 of annual budget

Respectfully Submitted  
Matthew Appel, Treasurer

**Mission Giving:**

**Local Charities**

- Casino Road Kids' Ministry	1,200.00
- Cold Weather Shelter	400.00
- Clothes for Kids	790.00
- Domestic Violence Services	1,990.00
- Edmonds Food Bank	390.00
- Everett Gospel Mission	4,890.00
- Foundation for Edmonds Sch Dist (Nourishing Network)	390.00
- Homage Senior Services	1,090.00
- Underground Ministry	700.00
- Wash Kids in Transition	390.00
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	12,230.00

*\* All of the income & mission giving to the deacon fund comes from your generous donations on the third Sunday of the month.*

**Financial Assistance Available**

Because of a generous donation made to the deacon's fund, financial assistance is available to MPC members and friends who are experiencing a hardship due to covid 19.

This fund (which is not included in this report) was created for hardships such as needing help with rent, medical bills, food, car repairs, due to job loss or cutbacks in employment.

You can make the request by calling Deacon moderator Lorraine Leclerc at 206-356-3970.  
Your request will remain confidential.