



The Lord's Day—January 14, 2018

8:45 am Worship Service in Sanctuary
10:00 am Sunday School Communities
11:00 am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm Evensong in Sanctuary

*The more you read the Bible; and the more you meditate on it,
the more you will be astonished by it.
Charles Spurgeon*

Call to worship: Today's call to worship reminds us of the truth that God is for us! It is easy to believe that he is not for us when we look through our own selfish lives. Self-centered assessment means that we are constantly short-sighted. It means that we only see one way that situations should resolve and it is usually for our comfort. Thank God that his ways are not our ways. He works his providence through his promises. Not only is God for us, but he has bottled up all of our tears; they are precious to him and do not go unnoticed. The result of these truths is praise and worship of our great God. That is why we gather together today.

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Worship In Spirit and Truth

Prelude *Andante Tranquillo* Felix Mendelssohn

*Call to Worship Psalm 56:8-13 ESV

You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle.
Are they not in your book?
Then my enemies will turn back in the day when I call.
This I know, that God is for me.
In God, whose word I praise, in the LORD, whose word I praise,
in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?
I must perform my vows to you, O God; I will render thank offerings to you.
For you have delivered my soul from death, yes,
my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of life.

*Hymn of Entrance Hymnal, 363

¹ We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing.
He chastens and hastens his will to make known;
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing,
Sing praises to His name: he forgets not His own.

² Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;
Thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be Thine!

³ We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant,
And pray that Thou still our Defender wilt be.
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation:
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

*Prayer of Adoration

** Please stand if you are able.
Parents, please escort underage children leaving the service.*

*Song of Glory

I Will Glory In My Redeemer



1. I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er, Whose price-less blood has ran-somed me.
2. I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er, My life He bought, my love He owns.
3. I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er, Who car-ries me on ea-gles' wings.



Mine was the sin that drove the bit-ter nails and hung Him on that judgment tree.
I have no long-ings for an-oth-er, I'm sat-is-fied in Him a-lone.
He crowns my life with lov-ing kind-ness, His tri-umph song I'll ev-er sing.



I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er Who crushed the power of sin and death.
I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er His faith-ful-ness, my stand-ing place.
I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er Who waits for me at gates of gold.



My on-ly Sav-ior be-fore the ho-ly Judge,
Though foes are might-y and rush up-on me,
And when He calls me, it will be par-a-dise;



The Lamb Who is my right-eous-ness,
My feet are firm, held by His grace,
His face for-ev-er to be-hold,



The Lamb Who is my right-eous-ness.
My feet are firm, held by His grace.
His face for-ev-er to be-hold.

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*During the
hymn children
K4/K5 may
leave for
Children's
Church.*

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Confession and Prayer

Psalm 119:27-28

Make me understand the way of your precepts, and I will meditate on your wondrous works. My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to your word! Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me your law!

Father, we confess the false ways that we think, live and act. You have given us your law so that we would know that we are sinners and be pointed to Christ. Yet we so often try to live by our own standards and rules. Our rules are oppressive but your law gives life. May we confess today our sin and follow you in faithfulness.

Words of Grace and Peace

Psalm 119:30-34

I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I set your rules before me.
I cling to your testimonies, O LORD; let me not be put to shame!
I will run in the way of your commandments when you enlarge my heart!
Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to the end.
Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

Be Still

Mary McDonald

*Song of Comfort

You are my hiding place.
You always fill my heart
With songs of deliverance.
Whenever I am afraid
I will trust in You.

I will trust in You.
Let the weak say I am strong
In the strength of the Lord.

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Hearing God's Word

Community Life

Scripture Readings

New Testament Reading: I Peter 4:6-11 (pew Bible p. 1296)

Old Testament Reading: Joshua 22:1-6 (pew Bible, p. 249)

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon *Cling to Him and Serve Him With all Your Heart*

Jack Beall

Responding to God

Officer Ordination and Installation

Elders:

Kevin Hendricks

Gus Brinson

Bill Kelly

Marty Harrison

Rich Rardin

Deacons:

Blair Rawls

Bill Hannah

Rob Martin*

Jack Williams*

**previously ordained and are returning to serve*

*Hymn of Response

Hymnal, 644

¹ May the mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day,
By His love and power controlling all I do and say.

² May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph only through his pow'r.

³ May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

⁴ May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing, this is victory.

*Benediction

Postlude *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior*

Jack Schrader

Assisting in Worship Today:

JACK BEALL, Engaging the World Pastor

JEREMY HUFF, Pastoral Associate

JASON YON, Choral Director and Local Ministry Liaison

RITA HASSIG, Organist

Evensong—Sundays at 5:30 pm

If you are not already committed to a Community Group on Sunday nights, consider attending Evensong. Your heart will be touched by meaningful worship which uplifts Christ as preeminent and precious and your life will be challenged as we work our way, verse by verse, through 2 Timothy. In this letter, Paul teaches us not to yield to the pressures of public opinion or conform to the spirit of our secular age, but to stand firm in God's truth. Join us!

Mark your 2018 Calendar!

Andrew Peterson Concert
(tickets mitchellroad.org/andrewpeterson)
February 9 at 7:30 pm

Mitchell Road Missions Conference
February 22-25

Spring New Members Class
Beginning March 4 on Sunday mornings

Holy Week Services
March 29, March 30, April 1



Open House

Every Wednesday, 9 am - 1 pm
(January and February)

No appointment necessary! Come take a tour of MRCA to see our teachers and students in action. Our biblical worldview and academic excellence combine to produce collaborative students with strong critical thinking and problem solving skills. Class sizes are limited, so apply now while we still have spots left! Questions? Contact Bryce Martin at 864-268-2210 x338 or bmartin@mitchellroadchristian.org.

Senior Valentine Banquet February 12, 6:00-8:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Come join us for a delicious meal of Parmesan Crusted Chicken, Salad, Vegetables, Rolls and Dessert (\$10). We will enjoy the beautiful music of our own quartet featuring Phil Graybeal, Grant Lewis, Van Pittman and Don Boroughs accompanied by Elaine Graybeal. Sign up and pay at the Welcome Center before February 1.

Flower Chart

If you are interested in placing flowers (\$75) in the Sanctuary this upcoming year in honor or in memory of your loved one, please sign up on the bulletin board in the North Wing.



A Taste of Mitchell Road

Guests are invited to join us Sunday, January 28 at 10:00 am in the Pastoral Meeting Room for "A Taste of Mitchell Road". This event is a small guest reception where our Senior Pastor, Andy Lewis, shares a bit of his testimony as well as the vision for our church. Also, as the name implies, we will have a tasty snack for you!

If you are interested in membership, a membership class will begin on Sunday mornings on March 4 (8 weeks). Registration will begin in a few weeks!

Interested in sign up to join a community group? Interested in hosting? We would love to hear from you! Email Grace Sheffield at gsheffield@mitchellroad.org.



Weekly Opportunities for Discipleship

We believe that discipleship is
experiencing Jesus' love for me in community,
loving Jesus with all of me, and
growing in this truth so that I might share him with others.

We invite you to find an opportunity for discipleship today!

Please visit mitchellroad.org for a calendar of current schedules.

Community

Community Groups: Sunday evenings in homes around Greenville. To find a group email gshelfield@mitchellroad.org.

Sunday School classes: For a list of classes stop by the Welcome Center or visit www.mitchellroad.org/adult-classes.

Evensong: Sunday evenings in the Sanctuary.

Children

Nursery: During worship services and Sunday School for birth— K3.

Children's Church (K4-K5): Children are dismissed during the worship services for a child-friendly time of songs, games, and a Bible lesson.

Sunday School: Classes for K4—grade 4.

Youth

Sunday School: Classes for grades 5-12

Senior High Night: Sunday evenings in the Youth Center

Tuesday Morning Prayer: Tuesday in the Youth Center

Junior High Night: Wednesday evenings in the Youth Center

Other Discipleship Opportunities:

Journey Groups for Men: These small groups meet throughout the week. Email gshelfield@mitchellroad.org.

Mentor Moms: Weekly group meeting for moms. Email swarren@mitchellroad.org.

Women's Bible Studies: Wednesday mornings or Wednesday evenings. Contact swarren@mitchellroad.org.

Connect with us...

**I want to receive more information about
Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church!**

Check all that apply:

- I am new to church
- I am new to MRPC
- I am a regular attender of MRPC
- I am a visitor from the Greenville area
- I am a visitor from outside the area

If you would like to join one of our mailing lists, or if you would like to update your information, please fill out the following information.

Name:

DOB: ___/___/___

Email:

Spouse:

DOB: ___/___/___

Spouse's Email:

Children:

Mailing Address:

Preferred Phone:

I would like to receive more information about:

- Learning about Christianity
- Joining a Community Group
- Becoming a Church Member
- Serving on Sunday Mornings
- Women's/ Men's Ministry
- Mitchell Road Christian Academy

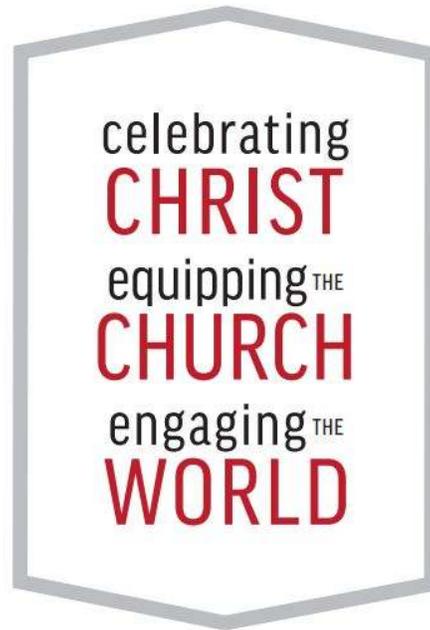
Please add me to the following Email Mailing Lists:

- This Week at Mitchell Road (weekly)
- Children's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- The Intercessor (weekly prayer letter)
- Senior Adult Ministry
- Young Adult Ministry

Questions or Prayer requests

Please place in offering or return to the Welcome Center in the commons.

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Be "In The Know":

- mitchellroad.org*** (main site)
- mitchellroadym.org*** (youth)
- mitchellroadcm.org*** (children)
- mitchellroadmissions.org*** (missions)
- mitchellroadchristian.org*** (Christian Academy)
- greenvillefellows.org*** (Greenville Fellows)
- cogreenville.org*** (Campus Outreach)



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