



Sun, July 14, 2024

8:30 SERVICE

Rev. Dr. Rachel Poysky preaching

Welcome & Call to Worship		Miah Collins
*Songs of Praise	<i>How Great Is Our God/Holy, Holy, Holy</i>	
*Prayer of Confession & Assurance		Leigh McLeroy
Song of Response	<i>Jesus Paid it All</i>	
Moment of Prayer		Miah Collins
Song of Response	<i>Firm Foundation</i>	
Message	God Is Our Foundation <u>Matthew 7:24-29 NIV</u>	Rachel Poysky
Song of Response	<i>The Solid Rock</i>	

9:45 SERVICE

Welcome & Call to Worship		Michael Middleton
Songs of Worship	<i>Praise/Take You at Your Word</i>	
Moment of Confession & Assurance		Amanda Shockley
Songs of Worship	<i>Jesus Paid it All/Firm Foundation</i>	
Message	God Is Our Foundation <u>Matthew 7:24-29 NIV</u>	Rachel Poysky
Songs of Worship	<i>The Solid Rock</i>	
Moment of Prayer & Connection		Sally Heinen

Musicians at 8:30/9:45: Asher Pudlo, drums; Uvaldo Callejas, bass; Chris Parrott, guitar; Daniel Martinez, keys; Michael Middleton & Coppelia Acevedo worship leaders

11:15 SERVICE

Prelude	<i>Adagio from Symphony No. VI</i>	Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)
Welcome & Call to Worship		Christyn Knoop
Choral Introit	<i>God Gave to Us This Glorious Day</i>	J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
*Hymn of Praise #417	<i>Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation</i>	Vs. 1, 3, 4 REGENT SQUARE
*Prayer of Confession and Assurance		Christyn Knoop
*Affirmation of Faith from the United Church of Canada		
*Congregational Response #579	<i>The Gloria Patri</i>	
Anthem	<i>The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation</i>	Rosephanye Powell (b. 1962)
Moment of Prayer		Christyn Knoop
Anthem of Preparation	<i>You Alone Are God</i>	Mary McDonald (b. 1956)
Message	God Is Our Foundation <u>Matthew 7:24-29 NIV</u>	Rachel Poysky
Hymn of Response #441	<i>I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord</i>	Vs. 1, 2, 5 ST. THOMAS
Postlude	<i>Finale from Symphony No. 6</i>	C. M. Widor

Musicians at 11:15: Charles Hausmann, conductor; Kathryn White, organ/piano

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

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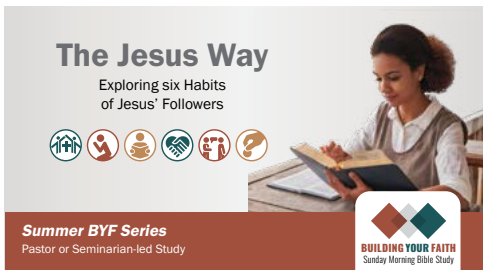
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Wed, July 17 • 3pm • Amphitheater

Beat the heat with a FREE movie screening! The next movie up is *Golda* (2023, PG-13). See the full schedule and learn more at movies.mdpc.org.



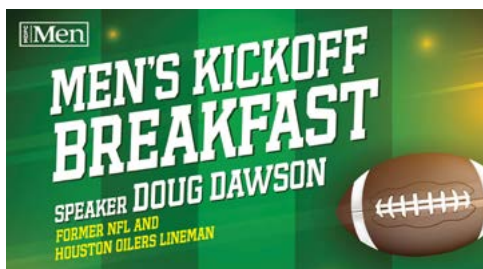
MDPC Officer Nominations Are Open

Do you know someone perfect to step into a leadership role at this church? Nominate them today! The nomination process is fast and easy: nominate.mdpc.org



Tue, Aug 6 • 6-9pm • HRC

Join us at the Houston Racquet Club for sports on the big screen, drinks, and Tex-Mex. Invite a friend, you don't want to miss it! RSVP: mensnight.mdpc.org



Sat, Aug 24 • 8am • Fellowship Hall

Join MDPC Men for an entertaining Kickoff Breakfast with former NFL and Houston Oilers lineman Doug Dawson! Learn more and RSVP: breakfast.mdpc.org



3rd Mondays Monthly • 11am

We'll meet at Fuzzy's Pizza on Westheimer for our July lunch (the MDPC Café is closed this month). No RSVP required! All are welcome! More at seniors.mdpc.org.



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Join Pastor Alf's 2024 Challenge

Week 29 Question: How can we be saved?
Answer: Only by faith in Jesus Christ and in His substitutionary atoning death on the cross; so even though we are guilty of having disobeyed God and are still inclined to all evil, nevertheless, God, without any merit of our own but only by pure grace, imputes to us the perfect righteousness of Christ when we repent and believe in Him. [Ephesians 2:8-9](https://ephesians289.com)

The New City Catechism

Learn more: 52qs.mdpc.org

Financial Update as of June 30, 2024

2024 Annual Budget	\$ 13,723,677
Actual Income to Date	\$ 6,373,459
Needed to Meet Budget	\$ 7,350,218

Births and Deaths

Tom W. Terrell passed away June 14.
 Doug Pond passed away June 17.
 Kay Ward passed away June 23.
 More information at memorials.mdpc.org.

Unshakable Truth • [Matthew 7:24-29 NIV](#)

1. The parable of the Wise and Foolish Builders is in Matthew, and it is also in Luke. In Luke, it is found in Luke 6:46-49. What do we learn from each telling of the parable?
2. The parable comes at the end of the Sermon on the Mount, where Jesus was addressing and instructing his disciples, the crowds, and the Jewish leaders. What application does this parable have for each group?
3. Prior to this parable (Luke 7:13-23) Jesus discusses three opposing images:
Broad gate vs. narrow gate
True prophet vs. false prophet
True disciple vs. false disciple
In all these images, Jesus is asserting that one must choose their allegiance and loyalty. Where to build your house and your life also requires a choice. Will it be on a solid foundation built on Jesus, or a weak one on other things that are fleeting and unsteady?
4. What does it look like to build your life on the durable foundation of Jesus?

Our Beliefs: What are your core beliefs about Jesus and how does that form your identity as his follower?

Our Priorities: How do you “seek first His Kingdom” and continue to build that foundation?

Our Practices: How can we be “doers” of His word and not merely “hearers”? How do you live out your faith because of your firm foundation in Jesus?
5. Jesus is our solid foundation that offers us a hope and promise that the shifting sands of the world can never provide. Pray that God would help you to build your life on his firm foundation. He is the stability in the storm.