



FOR *God* SO LOVED THE
WORLD

Not Arrogant or Rude (Part 2)

1 Corinthians 13:4b-6

Alf Halvorson preaching

8:30 AM Service

Sunday, November 29, 2020

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Welcome & Call to Worship

Rachel Poysky

Song of Praise

He Has Made Me Glad / Joyful, Joyful

TRAD.

***Prayer of Confession & Assurance**

Clay Brown

Song of Response

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

TRAD.

Baptism

Mitchell Family

Rachel Poysky

Moment of Prayer

Song of Preparation

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

TRAD.

Message

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Song of Response

Prince of Heaven

Hillsong Worship

Opportunity to Give & Benediction

Alf Halvorson



Sunday Worship Playlist

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Welcome & Call to Worship

Meliza Gómez

Song of Praise

Noel

Hillsong Worship

Kids' Moment

Children's Ministries

Moment of Confession & Assurance

Dave Steane

Song of Response *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus / Cornerstone*

TRAD. / Hillsong Worship

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Prelude *Savior of the Nations, Come* J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Welcome Rachel Poysky

Call to Worship & Advent Readings Almir Dias & Family

Choral Introit *Sleepers, Wake! A Voice Is Calling (from St. Paul Oratorio)*
 Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

***Hymn of Praise** *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* HYFRYDOL

***Prayer of Confession and Assurance** Dave Steane

Affirmation of Faith from 1 Corinthians 15:1-6 & Colossians 1:15-20

Anthem *Let All Mortal Flesh (from Glad Tidings)* Randol Bass (b.1953)

Baptism Mitchell Family Rachel Poysky

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem of Preparation *The Yearning* Craig Courtney (b.1955)

Message *Not Arrogant or Rude (Part 2)* Alf Halvorson

***Hymn of Response** *If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee*
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Opportunity to Give & Benediction

Postlude *Angels We Have Heard on High* arr. Richard Warner

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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

To see more events at **MDPC**, visit events.mdpc.org.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE as of November 22, 2020

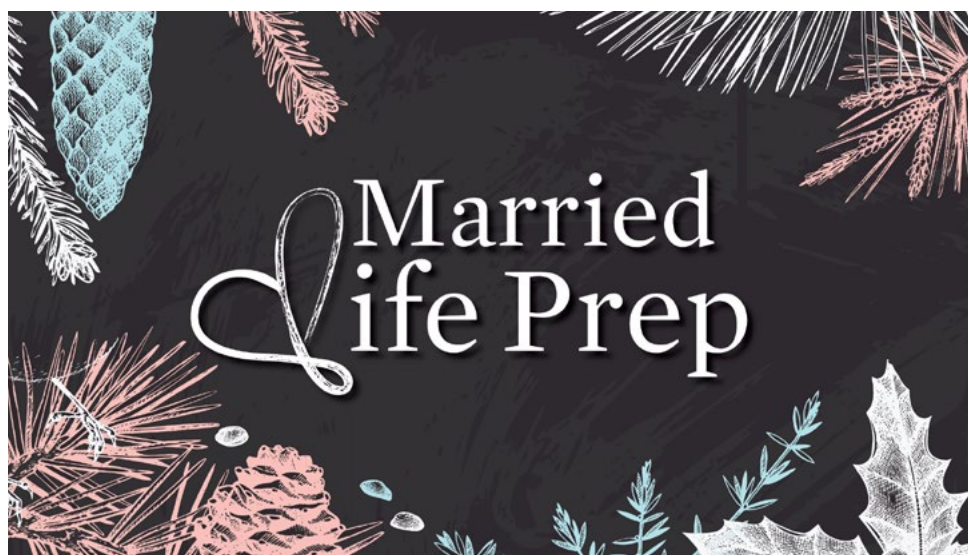
2020 Annual Budget	\$12,300,000
Income to Date	\$9,529,972
Needed to Meet Budget	\$2,770,028



Bless a child this year either by dropping a new, unwrapped toy in the Toy Train in **MDPC's** Nook, or signing up to "adopt" and gift a child. See the kids and their wish lists and learn more at cfk.mdpc.org.



Enjoy outdoor Christmas fun for the whole family at Children's Ministries annual Christmas Festival on December 6! See what's in store and more at festival.mdpc.org.



Research shows certain marriage prep programs to be particularly effective at preventing divorce, lowering the risk by as much as 75%. [Married Life Prep](https://www.marriedlife.org) is approved by Twogether in Texas, and program graduates can have their Texas marriage license fee waived! A new 4-week class starts January 10.



FPU's focus on behavior change is a different view of personal finance. Most folks know what to do with money, but not how to do it. Millions have followed Dave Ramsey's plan out of debt and into a life of saving and giving. You can, too! Learn more at fpu.mdpc.org.



Consider the highs and lows of this past year. How wonderful is it to know that, as a member of the **MDPC** family, *your* name has been lifted in prayer each day by your assigned Partner in Prayer? Be part of this quiet, meeting-free, self-led ministry. Sign up at pip.mdpc.org.



We have a variety of service times and attendance options for Christmas Eve. For the LIVE services, please RSVP to attend in-person (as circumstances permit) or join us online (no matter what!). Details at christmaseve.mdpc.org.



This year, this favorite Women's Ministries seasonal celebration is a drive through! Come by for a treat on Tuesday, December 1, between 9:30 and 10:30 AM. Visit coffee.mdpc.org to learn how to have your treat delivered if you can't make it in person.



A virtual Christmas Concert featuring beloved selections from the **MDPC** Sanctuary Choir's past seasonal performances. Join us for one of TWO airings - each with live online hosts - on Sunday, December 13: christmasconcert.mdpc.org



Merry, or not-so-merry, all are welcome at Blue Christmas. There'll be times for connection in person or in a drive-through format, and a 30-minute contemplative worship service in the Courtyard. Learn more at blue.mdpc.org.

Children's Sunday School and Childcare



Sunday childcare currently is available for children five and under. Visit children.mdpc.org to see our Sunday morning health and safety protocols. For The Galaxy elementary Sunday school, just text Galaxy F2F to the number 94000 so we know you are coming!



CONNECTION is our Sunday program for Middle and High School students where we come together for fellowship, teaching, and worship. 11:15 AM in the Youth Loft; more info at connection.mdpc.org.



This is the third in our series leading up to Christmas on 1 Corinthians 13 and the topic of Agape Love. After looking at three things that love is not, and two things that agape love is (patient and kind), Paul lists, in rapid-fire succession, eight additional things that agape *is not* and one thing tied to the eighth thing that love *is*. It is almost overwhelming to look at each of these nine component parts, so we will take two weeks to flesh out some of the gleanings from these words and ideas. **Note: This edition of sermon notes will last us two weeks!**

1. Have you thought love is this multi-faceted, or has your view been that love is really just one thing? What has your definition of love been up to this point? And how, if at all, is your view changing through this look at 1 Cor. 13?
2. Read [1 Corinthians 13:4b-6](#) in at least two translations of the Bible. Of the eight negatives listed here, do you sense a pattern by the Apostle Paul or does it appear random to you?
3. Of the eight negatives, which one bothers you the most when you see it practiced by others? Which negative do you wrestle with the most yourself? Was there another negative you used to wrestle with more? How was it overcome or managed? Can you celebrate progress or God's help with one of these challenges?
4. The last phrase in this section says, "it (love) does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth." Doesn't "love cover a multitude of sins"? Perhaps you heard someone say, "If you loved me, you wouldn't question what I'm doing or judge me or challenge me. You don't really love me if you don't accept me just the way I am"—which means every belief and attitude and lifestyle choice they make. How do you respond to that attitude? In what ways are agape love and truth intertwined? Why do they need to be intertwined? What happens if they're uncoupled?
5. Where is God challenging you to grow in agape love? How do you intend to pray, ask for the Spirit's help, and begin putting some of these learnings into practice? Would it help to have an accountability partner where you both encourage each other in these matters?