

Welcome

to our church

Hi. First of all, I want to say thank you for visiting our church. It can be quite unnerving to walk into a new church for the first time. We know that feeling too and we want you to know that we are very glad you are here and want to do all we can to make your visit as fulfilling as possible.

At Maryland Heights, our intent is to be an authentic gathering of Christ-followers. Authentic means that we are both genuine in our beliefs and transparent about our flaws. We are committed to be changed to be more like God, but we've got our bumps and scars. They remind us how far we've come and that we can help others with scars experience the same hope that we've discovered.

We don't just want you to sit back and enjoy the service. We hope you'll join us in worshipping God today. As we sing, and pray, as we learn from God's Word, as we share in the bread and grape juice that affirms the story of Jesus and as we share our lives with one another, our hope is that you see the love of God in us and that you want to follow him too.



Scott Cody
preaching minister

Our Vision

We have one goal at Maryland Heights — to help people become fully formed Christ-followers. The Bible calls those followers “disciples” and before Jesus returned to God, he gave his earliest followers this one charge:

*“Go and make disciples of all the nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and the Son and the Holy Spirit.
Teach these new disciples to obey
all the commands I have given you.”*

Matthew 28:19–20

What is a Christ-Follower?

As followers of Christ, Jesus is our authority and example. That’s what Christians mean when they call Jesus “Lord”. Because he is Lord, we commit to become more like him in our thoughts, and actions. It also means that we care about the things he cares about. As Christ-followers, these three goals are our top priority.



Grounded in Faith

God is at the center of our lives so honoring him in our worship and lifestyle is an integral part of the disciple’s life. Alone or together we call people to glorify God.

Worship Gatherings | Personal Spiritual Development



Known for Love

Christianity thrives in community and we call people to build fulfilling relationships with other disciples through bible classes, life groups and fellowship events.

Life Groups | Fellowship Activities | Inward Focused Ministries



Voices of Hope

Jesus says we are to be light in a dark world. We help people find meaningful ways to make a difference in the lives of people they care about.

Outward Focused Ministries | Sharing Your Faith and Your Church

Our Beliefs



God Exists “In the beginning God created” That statement sets the stage for our world view. We are here by design to fulfill God’s purpose.



The Bible is True It is God’s truthful and authoritative message to us. He revealed himself in written words to teach and guide us.



Jesus is God in Flesh God also revealed himself through Jesus. He is God’s unique son, both human and divine who came to show us God and restore our relationship with him.



Jesus Came To Save Us Jesus death was part of God’s great plan. Our failures deserve punishment, but by trusting Jesus and following him, we are forgiven and reunited with our God



Becoming a Transformed Believer Choosing to follow Jesus means being transformed to be like him. This willing act of submission leads to a change in character and purpose.



The Church Fulfills God’s Mission The church is the community of believers called to encourage one another, care for the hurting and share God’s message of hope to others.



The Holy Spirit Guides Us God has promised that his Spirit will continue to guide and comfort us through the struggles we face in life. We are never without his help



After Death, We Live Again Life is as brief as the morning fog, but we are eternal and designed to live forever with God. Through Christ, we know that we will overcome this world.

Nehemiah 9:6

2 Timothy 3:16

Colossians 2:9

John 3:16

Ephesians 4:22-24

Ephesians 3:10

Romans 8:26-27

2 Corinthians 5:1

Church Life

There's a lot going on at Maryland Heights to help you develop as a disciple. We don't have room to list everything, but these are the kind of activities that you'll see regularly at our church.



Worship - Sunday mornings together is a highlight for us at Maryland Heights. We look forward to praising God together and drawing close to him and to others disciples.

Bible Study—Sundays at 9:30 am and Wednesdays at 7:00 pm we meet for small group Bible studies. These less formal gatherings are great opportunities to explore Scripture together and discuss practical ways to apply it.



Family Activities—Almost every month we host a big event for families and friends. From game nights to church-wide dinners, we look forward to spending time with one another and meeting new friends who come as guests.

Life Groups—These friendship groups meet monthly and are always open for new members and guests. They meet in people's homes, at the building or at a local restaurant. They're great places to get to know people better.



Outreach Events—We are committed to serving our community and we emphasize several ministries that provide physical and spiritual support to those in need. You can find more about these ministries on our *Ministries Looking Outward* page.

Visit our website at www.mhcoc.org to see our calendar of activities.

Outward Looking Ministries

Jesus calls us to look beyond the walls of our church and see the needs around us. We are committed to extending our reach in our neighborhood and across the globe. Here are a few ways our members do that.



Missions and Outreach The message of Jesus offers such hope that we are eager to share it across the street and around the globe. We contribute funds and volunteer to bring God's good news to as many as possible.



Room At The Inn One night each month we turn our building into an inn for homeless in our community. Our volunteers provide these families with a comfortable bed, hot meals and caring support and encouragement.



"We Care" Bears On the first Tuesday of the month volunteers gather to sew and stuff handcrafted teddy bears for children in local hospitals. These, along with others items like pillows and wheelchair caddies, are given to young and old in hospitals and nursing homes.



Community Helping Ministries We volunteer in this cooperative community ministry to help the most needy in our community with food and some financial assistance. Throughout the year we help raise funds, donate canned goods and volunteer our time serving to make lives better.



Camp Ne-O-Tez Many of our members volunteer each year to staff, refurbish and run this camp that trains K-12 graders to walk with Christ. It's in this beautiful setting near Desoto, Missouri. You can find out more about it at www.neotez.org



Christian Family Services This ministry seeks to help children and families in times of crisis through short term foster care, adoption services, and counseling. You can find out more at stlcfs.org



Boy Scouts —We host a Boy Scout troop at Maryland Heights that helps build character in young men. Some of our members volunteer to help and this group of boys are always eager to help in our efforts as well.



Alcoholics Anonymous We host a local chapter of AA in our building each week that provides guidance and encouragement to those battling addictions.

Kid's & Teens

COVID has changed how out we build friend and faith in our young people. Currently, our children's meets for activities and Bible study on Sunday mornings during our worship hour. We hope to restart other activities throughout the Summer. These are the baby steps we are taking to return to the full slate of activities for our youth listed below.

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.

Matthew 19:14



Bible Classes Classes for kids of all ages meet on Sundays at 9:30 am and Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. There they learn about God and his plan for their lives through the great stories of the Bible.



Teen Program Our 6-12 graders that meets for Bible study on Sundays and Wednesdays as well as other events to build friendships, help them grow closer to God and learn to serve others.



GEMS Once a month during the school year, our 1-5 grader girls meet after worship for an afternoon of hands-on mentoring and fun.



Kid's Worship* K-5th graders meet for worship on their level with singing, story time and puppets. It's at the bottom of the main stairwell.



Busy Bee* 2-5 year old children meet during worship for a worship experience designed just for them. They meet just off our lobby.



Nursery* Whenever we meet, we have a staffed nursery with trained care givers who love our little ones and begin pointing them to God. Our nursery is located just off the main lobby.

* These programs are available during our adult worship service

Adult Activities



We offer Bible study for our adults on Wednesday evenings at 7pm. We hope to restart classes for other ages in the Fall. Below is a description of our typical offerings when we are fully back to normal.

Sundays at 9:30 am

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm



We also have Life Groups that meet each month for fellowship, study or service projects. These small groups meet in homes, at the church building, or at local restaurants. To find out more, visit our website or fill out a Connection Card.



We have a variety of ministries that serve the needs of our members (inward looking) and our community (outward looking). The best way to get connected is to find a place you can make a difference. You can learn about on our website or see some of our outward focused ministries in this packet.



PrimeTimers group—this ministry is for those 55 and older and provides a circle of friends that gather for bible study, service projects and fun trips. The meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 10am.

Worship and Bible Study

JOIN US

WORSHIP/BIBLE STUDY

LIVE OR ONLINE



You can join our LIVE worship services and soon, our LIVE Wednesday Bible study. You can participate in our Bible study on ZOOM or view all our services online on our Facebook group or on our YouTube channel. Follow the links below to participate this week.

Worship Service—Sundays at 10:30 am

Bible Study Group—Wednesdays at 7:00 pm



You can join in our ZOOM Bible discussion at 7pm on Wednesdays. Just email us at office@mhcoc.org to receive the link to be part of the group study.



We live stream the Bible study or our worship service on our YouTube channel. Click on the YouTube graphic to go there or search for Maryland Heights Church of Christ on YouTube.



We also livestream the study and our worship service on our Facebook Group. You can join the group and follow all of our news and updates at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MHCOC>



You can also access all the live-streams on our website at www.mhcoc.org

Schedule

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

Worship Gathering—10:30 am

Wednesdays

Bible Study Groups—7:00 pm

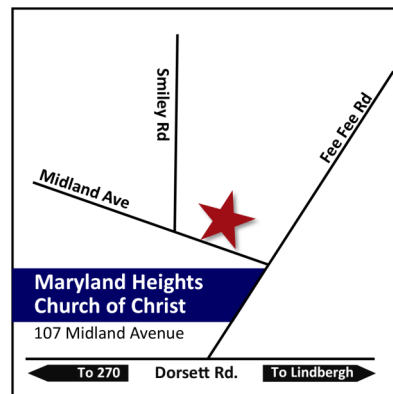
Monthly Events

Church-wide Dinner—1st Wednesday at 6:00 pm

GEMS (school year only)—Monthly on Sundays at 12:00 pm

We Care Bear Ministry—1st Tuesday at 10:00 am

PrimeTimers Meeting—2nd Wednesday at 10:00 am



Connect

We want to make connecting at Maryland Heights as easy as possible. The best way to get connected is just stay after services for a few minutes. We would love to know you better and share a little about ourselves as well. But here are a few other ways you can keep informed about all that's going on at Maryland Heights.



Website

Our website has a wealth of information about our church and ministries. Visit us at mhcoc.org and explore all we have to offer.



Facebook

Join our Facebook group at www.facebook.com/groups.MHCOC and follow all the latest news and thoughts from our church and members. Just search for Maryland Heights Church of Christ on Facebook and join our group.



E-Connections

We send out weekly emails with information about upcoming activities. If you'd like to receive this email, note that on the connection card or sign up on our website

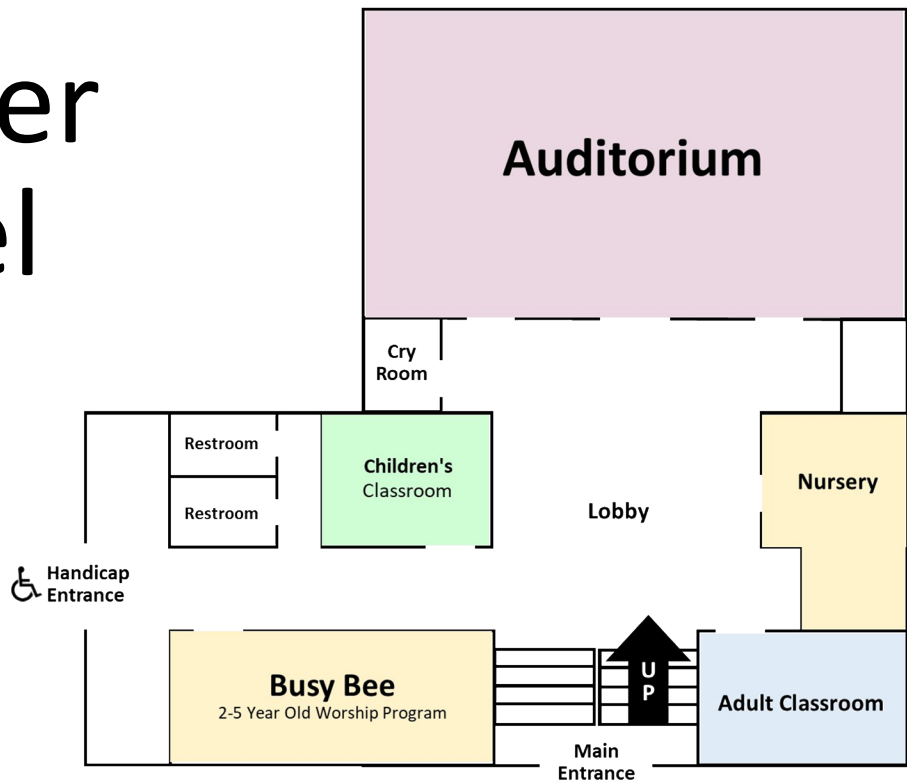


Email

We always welcome questions or suggestions. If you have either, feel free to email us at office@mhcoc.org and we'll promptly reply.

Building Map

Upper Level



Lower Level

