MVPC Happenings....





The February Communion Offering will be for the Food Pantry at the Community Assistance Center (CAC). Most needed items include peanut butter, jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, soup, cereal, oatmeal, grits, canned meats, macaroni and cheese, canned pasta meals (i.e., Spaghetti-Os), instant mashed potatoes, rice, fruit or applesauce cups, and juice. Please place your donations in the baskets in the narthex on Sunday, February 4. Donations may also be brought to the church at any time in the month of February and placed in the Outreach bin outside of the office. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Youth

Don't forget to come help us plan Youth Sunday (which is Feb. 4) from 5-7 pm tonight in Gailey Hall! Bring \$5 for dinner. We need your creativity and ideas. See you then!

O Presbyterian Women News

The Book Circle will meet on February 9 and review "The Rent Collector" by Cameron Wright. The Day and Sunday Circles will not have their regular meetings this week. Instead, PW will host a luncheon and a mission program after the 11:00 service on February 11. The subject of the program will be human trafficking in the Sandy Springs community. The speakers include a victims' advocate, a representative from a survivors group, and a member of the Sandy Springs Police Department. Because the subject is of interest to all of us, we are inviting everyone to the event, including interested men. We are asking the men to let Pat Bartee know they plan to attend at pbartee@yahoo.com so we will have adequate lunch provided.

Presbyterían Women News (cont.)

Also, we will be collecting costume jewelry again this year. This project is sponsored by the National Council of Jewish Women. The week before Mother's Day, they hold a pop-up jewelry store event in each of four Title 1 elementary schools (which have over 75% of the children receiving free or reduced price breakfast and lunch). Volunteers help each child select a special gift for their mother or caregiver for Mother's Day. We will provide more details soon.

Open Invitation!

Our very first Youth Reunion is coming on February 24-25! If you have ever been involved with the youth program at MVPC on any level, then you are invited!

First Cup Hospitality

2018 First Cup Hospitality Needs You: We are in need of a few great volunteers to help with the First Cup Hospitality Table on Sundays. The First Cup cart is kept loaded and ready in the Sacristy located behind the pulpit. Hospitality tables will already be set up in the Narthex. All that is needed is a simple set-up and clean up before the service. If you would be willing to help, you can sign up online or email Christy Hill at Christy.hill321@comcast.net.

The 2017 contribution statements have been mailed. If you have questions or concerns about your statement, please contact Yvonne White at wvonne@mvpchurch.org (404) 255-2211.

Upcoming Events

February 4 - Youth Sunday

Annual Congregational Meeting at 10am

in Fellowship Hall

February 26 - Rabbi and a Minister

If you have any <u>announcements</u> that you would like to appear in the *Happenings*, weekly email, or *Good News* please email them to Lauren McClintock, lauren@mvpchurch.org.