

# MVPC Happenings....



PRAISE. LISTEN. LOVE. SERVE.



**Stewardship Commitment Sunday:** Sunday, November 11 is Stewardship Commitment Sunday. Pledge cards were mailed out this week so you should receive them soon. Please bring them with you to service on November 11, mail your pledge card to the church by Friday, November 30 or email your commitment to [yvonne@mvpchurch.org](mailto:yvonne@mvpchurch.org). Extra Estimate of Giving Cards are available in the Narthex.



**Author Talk with Eve Hoffman:** The Friends of the Sandy Springs Library would like to thank MVPC for allowing them to host an Author Talk in the chapel while the Sandy Springs Library is closed for renovation, and MVPC members are invited to attend. Join us for an Author Talk with Eve Hoffman about her new book *"Memory & Complicity"* on Sunday, October 28 from 3:00 - 5:00 in the Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church Chapel. Storyteller and poet Eve Hoffman, a sixth generation Georgian, is rooted in red clay and grew up on a dairy farm by the Chattahoochee River. Along the way, she graduated from Smith College, studied in Africa, lived in San Francisco, worked at Stanford and then settled back to the land she loves to raise a family. Her lineage includes a Revolutionary War soldier, a mill owner "hung near to death" by Yankees, a suffragette leader and a grandfather who helped shape the south as chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. Eve has held public office, impacted education and environmental policy, founded a statewide K-12 writing competition and backed her car into a fire hydrant after swim practice, about which her kids still tease her. She has been recognized by her alma mater, Smith College, as a "Remarkable Woman" and by Georgia Trend as one of Georgia's 100 influential people.



**Family Promise:** We are hosting Family Promise December 30-January 6. We are going to need a lot of help, so please reserve the dates on your calendar. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10coe4baaa72fa02-december>. Thank you!



**AMIS:** Can you make space for an international student at your Thanksgiving Day celebration? Help AMIS offer friendship and hospitality to international college and graduate students in our city who would like to experience our unique American holiday. For many, this will be a rare opportunity to be in an American home and taste our traditional turkey dishes (although traditional dishes are not necessary!).

Christmas International House is a program of hospitality for international college and graduate students during their winter break, allowing them to travel to a new city and stay in an American home to learn about our culture and experience first-hand how we celebrate Christmas. International students (studying at other colleges/universities in the US) will be coming to Atlanta and AMIS is looking for hosts for 3-4 nights anytime during December 18 to January 2. If you are interested and would like to learn more, please go to our website: [www.amis-inc.org](http://www.amis-inc.org), or email: [office@amis-inc.org](mailto:office@amis-inc.org), or call: 404-846-4396. You can also contact John or Patricia Hibbard with questions, [patricia.hibbard@yahoo.com](mailto:patricia.hibbard@yahoo.com).

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**Youth:** No Youth Group Sunday night.



**Greeters wanted:** We would love for you to help greet on Sunday mornings. If you are already planning to attend, this is a great way to get involved! Please sign-up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094aa8aa2cab9-mvpc> if you are interested.



**Presbyterian Women:** In November, Presbyterian Women will host two presentations on “Caregiving for Family and Self”. The first one will be on November 11 after the 11:00 service in the Session Room. It will be led by Raina Nadler, an attorney who has worked in the areas of probate, criminal, and family law, and Daphne C. Reiley, who co-authored “A Tapestry of Love: The Spirituality of Caregiving”. A light lunch will be provided. The second presentation will be on Tuesday, November 13, at 11:00 in the Kirk Center. It will be led by Michael Johnson, LCSW, a licensed social worker and certified Aging Life Care Manager, and Peggy Barrett, MSW, who has a Masters in Social Work Administration and chaired the Meals On Wheels America Board. Come at 10:30 for light refreshments. Everyone is invited to these presentations, men and women!

The **Book Circle** will meet November 9th to discuss “*News of the World*” by Paulette Jiles. **Circle of Grace** will meet on November 11th at the home of Joy Carden.

The Fall Presbyterian Women Newsletter is available on our website. Printed copies are also available in the Narthex and church office.



**11 AM Worship Leaders Needed:** To provide meaningful opportunities for members of all ages to become actively involved in the 11:00 worship service, the Worship Committee is seeking volunteers to serve as worship leaders (also referred to as “liturgists”) to lead the congregation in the responsive readings of the Call to Confession and Assurance of Pardon. Training will be provided. Adults, youth, and children are welcome—Session membership is not a requirement. If you are interested, please email Katherine Koops at [kkoops@bellsouth.net](mailto:kkoops@bellsouth.net).



**First Cup Hospitality:** Have you missed the coffee and breakfast on Sunday mornings when there is no one signed up? You can help! December 2, 9 and 16 are available. All you have to do is bring juice and pastries. Grab the First Cup Cart and do a simple set-up/clean-up. Coffee will already be set up for you that morning. If you would be willing to help, you can sign up online here or email Christy Hill at [Christy.hill321@comcast.net](mailto:Christy.hill321@comcast.net).



Copies of **The Upper Room** devotionals for November – December are available in the info centers or the church office. Pick one up and one to share with a friend!



If you have any announcements that you would like to appear in the *Happenings*, weekly email, or *Good News* please email them to Lauren McClintock, [lauren@mvpchurch.org](mailto:lauren@mvpchurch.org).