

MVPC Happenings....



PRAISE. LISTEN. LOVE. SERVE.



First Cup is Moving to the Kirk Center starting Sunday, December 2, 2018!



Thanksgiving Offering: This morning we are collecting a special offering for the Community Assistance Center (CAC). If you would like to donate, please grab an envelope on the Narthex table in First Cup Service or inside the bulletin at the 11 o'clock service. CAC has assisted more than 17,000 local families since 1987. We were one of the founding congregations of CAC and it was housed here for many years. They prevent homelessness and hunger in the Sandy Springs and Dunwoody communities. CAC also offers youth programs, adult education classes and services designed to promote self-reliance. Visit www.ourcac.org to



Youth: No youth group tonight! Enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday! We will have youth group on 11/25.



Advent Devotionals: 2018 daily Advent devotionals are available in the Narthex if you would like to pick one up on Sunday.



During the 9:00 service on December 2, we will be giving Bibles to our new 2nd graders as part of a long tradition at MVPC. It is a wonderful way to start these young Christians on that thrilling journey through the scriptures. If you have a new 2nd grader who should receive a Bible we hope you will contact Mike (mike@mvpchurch.org) and let him know.



Atlanta Concert Band Concert: Join us for this free concert, *Holiday Cards*, a musical celebration of the holidays. The concert will take place in the Sanctuary on Sunday, December 9 at 4 pm. We will have light refreshments available in the Narthex following the concert.



The Communion Offering for November is Thanksgiving baskets distributed to Stirred Up Ministries to needy families in the East Lake area of Atlanta. Most needed items include grocery store gift cards (to buy hams and turkeys), canned vegetables (green beans, peas, and corn), sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, corn bread mix, stuffing mix, canned fruit, cake mix, Jello, pie crust mix, and canned pie filling. Donations may be dropped off in the bin outside of the church office any time before November 18. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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Presbyterian Women: We really enjoyed and appreciated the presentations on Caregiving For Family and Self. We are also starting to plan the Christmas Dinner and Program. This event will be on Tuesday, December 11. Dinner will be at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall followed by the program in the Sanctuary. The cost is \$12. On November 18, November 25, and December 2 we will be taking reservations after the 9:00 service and before and after the 11:00 service. People can also email Sarah Chalpan at sarahchalpan@gmail.com or call her at 770-394-8380 to reserve a spot. Payment can be made in cash or by check (made out to "PW MVPC"). Child care will be provided if needed.

The next **Book Circle** will meet December 14 for a program and Christmas brunch.

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



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, or email: office@amis-inc.org, or call: 404-846-4396. You can also contact John or Patricia Hibbard with questions, patricia.hibbard@yahoo.com.



Family Promise: We are approaching our Family Promise dates December 30-January 6. Please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10coe4baaa72fa02-december>. Thank you!



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.