



PRAISE. LISTEN. LOVE. SERVE.

# Good News

February 2019

## Month At-A-Glance

Feb 3

- ◇ Farewell Reception for TJ Shirley 10am & 12pm

Feb 10

- ◇ Annual Meeting 10am

This time last year, I had just begun my time here at MVPC as your interim pastor. The first time I met most of the 2018 Session was on Friday night at the annual Session retreat. Now I can connect names with faces for many of you. For me, that is a wonderful feeling because being able to do that represents relationship.

One of the things we will focus on this year is building relationships...our relationships with one another, our relationship with God, and continue to support and build upon the relationships MVPC has made over the years with our mission partners.

I have heard over and over this year how much you like and want to be together in ways beyond our time of worship. It is in those more informal times of gathering together, where we have the opportunity to engage with each other and enjoy each other, that relationships are formed.

Relationship won't happen...relationship with each other...relationship with our Lord...unless we engage in things that will foster relationship. I hope each of you will seek out ways this year to build new relationships within this church family, as well as deepen those relationships you already have. I hope each of you will seek out ways to deepen your relationship with our Lord. The Session, through its ministries, can provide opportunities for you to deepen those relationships, but YOU have to be an active participant for those relationships to flourish. What a gift it would be for your next installed pastor to arrive and find a church family that has a deep sense of connection with God and with one another!

Blessings,

*Susan*

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## Youth Ministry



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The youth assembled 200-300 hygiene bags in January to deliver to the homeless in February. They had 12 youth help assemble bags and went to Grub Burger for dinner afterwards for the church fundraiser.

A huge thank you to Sylvia McAdams, Gloria and Mike Gillespie, Carrie Southard, Joy Carden, Rev. Susan Haynes, Steve Ray and everyone else who has helped with youth group this past month.

The youth group plans to go downtown sometime in February to feed the homeless and hand out the hygiene kits they assembled. Please pray as we continue to search for the new Youth Director.



## Christian Education

### FEBRUARY ADULT CLASSES

#### Feasting on the Word

**Feb. 3** Jer. 1:4-10 Sam McClurg  
(Jeremiah's call and commission)

#### Feb. 10 NO ADULT CLASSES

**Feb. 17** Luke 6:17-26 Joy Carden  
(Blessings and Woes)

**Feb. 24** Luke 6:17-30 David Hill  
(Love Your Enemies)

### SUNDAYS, 10-10:45

#### Quest

10 Things Christians Don't Need to Believe  
#9: God Loves Straight People but Not Gay People

10 Things Christians Don't Need to Believe  
#10: It's OK for Christians to be Judgmental

10 Things Christians DO Need to Believe  
#1: Jesus' Identity: Who Is Jesus?

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** on Sunday, February 10. Please attend the congregational meeting at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

### NEW MEN'S GROUP IS ORGANIZING – FELLOWSHIP OF THE CARPENTER

The Christian education committee would like to extend an invitation to the men of Mt. Vernon to join together in a new fellowship opportunity called *The Fellowship of the Carpenter*. Our DCE (Mike Gillespie) will be coordinating this initial start-up phase. The group will gather for lunch at 11:45, Wednesday, February 13, at Joey D's in the Perimeter Center area. Besides good fellowship, the group will discuss what its focus will be and when, where, and how often it would like to meet. Let Mike ([mike@mvpchurch.org](mailto:mike@mvpchurch.org)) know by Monday (11<sup>th</sup>) if you will attend so he can make lunch reservations.

### LENTEN SMALL GROUPS COMING IN MARCH

The C.E. committee is excited to be offering a new opportunity for congregants to once again participate in small groups. Groups will meet for 90 minutes weekly during the six weeks of Lent starting the week of March 10.

Groups will range in size from 8-12 people. They will offer an opportunity for building new relationships, fellowship together, and spiritual growth. There will be 4 group options meeting at these times. (If needed, additional groups will be added)

- 1) Tower Group – meets at The Towers during the week. (Day/Time to be decided.)
  - 2) Sunday noon group meets at church after the 11:00 service (12:00-1:30).
  - 3) Sunday evening group meets at church from 5:00-6:30.
  - 4) Sunday evening home group meets at the Southard's house from 5:00-6:30.
- You will have an opportunity to sign up for a group on Sunday mornings starting Feb. 17.

Each group will focus on the theme of **"WHAT MAKES A HERO."** It is an engaging study with a short DVD presentation followed by a lively discussion led by a facilitator to be named soon. This study offers an image of what it looks like to be victorious over trials and temptations. Looking at pop culture heroes and others through the lens of faith, this study shows how Jesus turned the concept of hero on its head. Participants will examine how good vs. evil, right vs. wrong, and overcoming adversity are fundamental to how we understand salvation. We will look at the Gospels which tell a different victory story – one obtained through humility, obedience to the cross, and an empty tomb. How does Jesus redefine what it means to be a hero.

Talk to David Hill, Carrie Southard, Mary McClurg, Pat Davis, or Mike Gillespie for more info.



**LISTEN**

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## Vacation Bible School: July 8-11, 2019 Registration info. coming soon!



### Concerns of the Congregation

In extended care: Margaret Blackley, Lorraine Moore and Jack Ward. Please keep all of these individuals and their families in your prayers.

### Grub Burger Fundraiser

*"As members of a family of faith, we strive to love one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles"*

A huge thank you to everyone who ate at Grub Burger for our fundraiser. We raised \$86.31 towards our mission trip to Zambia this summer. We might make it a quarterly event since it turned out to be a great fellowship event for all as well.



### Cakes4Kids

Our new ministry, Cakes4Kids, has been a home run! Talented bakers from MVPC have been crafting beautiful (and YUMMY) cakes for children at Lake Forest Elementary who might not receive a birthday cake. This anonymous gift to the family has been a joy for them!

I have been thrilled at the number of people of all ages who signed up to be involved with this group. Our youngest baker is Moira O'Hare (age 3) and our oldest baker is - well, we will keep that private! It's great to see all of these people using their talents and favorite activities for God. Please check out our Instagram account at [cakes\\_for\\_kids\\_sandy\\_springs](#) and our Facebook page at MVPC Cakes4Kids.

I am enjoying the dive into Congregational Care and Senior Ministry! I'm learning all kinds of things and developing a schedule for visiting our home bound folks. I also hope to develop some fun activities that our awesome seniors can do on a regular basis. If you have thoughts or ideas, please let me know.

AND - thanks to all of you for participating in our first Mustard Seed Challenge. When I was praying for our church, I found it so inspiring to know others were doing the same. I hope our community of faith will continue to grow in our prayer lives!

Peace and Grace,  
Elo



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## Stephen Ministry

Looking for compassionate and committed men and women!

You were or are a wise, compassionate parent  
You were or are a boss or co-worker who listens first  
You had or have a profession solving problems  
You have or had people skills  
You have a talent for simplifying basic career search or financial budgeting skills  
You have suffered a loss and rebounded  
You have been a caregiver  
You have some professional counseling or social work training...



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Then, our new lay ministry for assisting people in crisis, as the biblical Stephen did in the new Christian church, may be for you!

You will be trained to really listen to others and will be assigned to befriend and support those in difficulty. Confidentiality, empathy, and faith are bedrocks of the ministry.

Prayfully consider joining. We need men and women of all ages. Please contact Pat Bartee if you are interested. Training will begin in February.

The photo below on the left is Pat Bartee with her table of Stephen Leaders at training in January. The photo on the right is Pat and the founder, Dr. Ken Haugk, during Stephen Leadership Training in Orlando.





## Presbyterian Women

On February 10th we will have a mission lunch right after the 11:00 service. Andrea Brantley, director of **Family Promise**, will speak to us about the accomplishments and goals of the program. A light lunch will be provided and everyone is invited.



The Book Circle will meet on February 8th and review *The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story* by Diane Ackerman. The Circle of Grace will meet on the 10th at the home of Lisa Cumming.



The Day Circle met in January and heard a discussion by Sylvia McAdam and Marguerite Nelson about the work of missions here and throughout the world.



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## One Body, Many Parts — Rev. Susan Haynes

**1 Corinthians.12:12-31a** – New Revised Standard Version

12 For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.<sup>13</sup> For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. 14 Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many.<sup>15</sup> If the foot were to say, ‘Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body’, that would not make it any less a part of the body.<sup>16</sup> And if the ear were to say, ‘Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body’, that would not make it any less a part of the body.<sup>17</sup> If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be?<sup>18</sup> But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose.<sup>19</sup> If all were a single member, where would the body be?<sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many members, yet one body.<sup>21</sup> The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I have no need of you’, nor again the head to the feet, ‘I have no need of you.’<sup>22</sup> On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable,<sup>23</sup> and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect;<sup>24</sup> whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member,<sup>25</sup> that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another.<sup>26</sup> If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.<sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.<sup>28</sup> And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues.<sup>29</sup> Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles?<sup>30</sup> Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?<sup>31</sup> But strive for the greater gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.

Organ transplants have been saving lives for years. By checking a box on our driver's license renewal form, or adding a line to our wills, our kidneys, livers, lungs, hearts and more can be transplanted to increase the quantity and quality of the recipients' lives.

July 2015, transplant surgery took another giant step forward when Zion Harvey, an 8-year-old boy in Baltimore, became the first person to receive a transplant of both hands!

This was an amazing feat celebrated by Zion, his family, the medical community, and many others. While articles lauded the accomplishment, Dr. L. Scott Levin reminded people of the cost of Zion's transplant surgery. Dr. Levin explained the operation was only possible because there was a donor, another young boy who had died. He talked about that family's generosity:

"I think the difference is finding a family who has the courage to relinquish the arms of a child who just died and give hope and life and quality of life to a child whose still living."

The reports of Zion's amazing hand transplant also mentioned another cost. To keep his body from rejecting the transplant, Zion will need to take medication for the rest of his life. The side effects of that medication include increased chances of infection and cancer.



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Doctors and scientists have been working to eliminate both of those costs. Being able to generate body parts from the patient's own tissue would eliminate the need for a donor, and dramatically increase the body's ability to assimilate the new part as its own. This may sound like science fiction, but it is starting to happen. While scientists are not to the point of regenerating anything as complex as a hand, they have been able to generate noses, ears, and blood vessels in laboratories.

Doctors and scientists create a "scaffold"-a mold of sorts, in the proper shape.

On the scaffold, they place some of the patient's own cells and then put all these parts in an environment where the cells are given proper nutrition and an optimal environment for growth. The cells multiply and form a new nose, for example. The scaffold, made of a biodegradable material, will eventually disappear, leaving behind a new part just like the one that needs to be replaced.

The results are promising. When transplanted into the patient, the organs have a low rejection rate, and, in many patients, they function just like the original. In other words, this is not just a cosmetic fix, but a true replacement...not aftermarket parts, but OEM --original equipment manufacturer -- parts. They look and function just like our own bodies –

*Because they are!*

Researchers have great hope for this technology as they work on more complicated body parts like kidneys, lungs and livers.

In today's scripture reading, the apostle Paul uses the parts of the body as an illustration for what it means to be the church. He, too, is looking for ways each part of the body will function best. Paul's letter was written to a church in the city of Corinth and like every church, then and now, it was made up of people with varying gifts given to them by the Holy Spirit. Some had gifts for preaching and teaching. Others were gifted in mission and service. Some were gifted with great business sense and were good at generating wealth. Others had the gift of caring for the home, family, and one another.

Rather than saying some of the gifts of the Spirit are more important than others, Paul compares each member of the church to the members of a body. A group of believers, he says, is greater than the sum of its parts. We are not a homogenous group, but a group of different parts assembled by God to represent Christ to the greater community.

On the surface, it may appear as though a church is a loose collection of people united by geography. People attend a particular church for various reasons...it may be convenient to their home, they like the music or the pastor or their best friend goes to the church. There is a myriad of reasons people choose to attend a particular church. People in a church may attend a Sunday school class or small group or help with the youth group or join a committee. For the most part it stops there. People get involved as much, or as little, as they like. Then, when the church is no longer meeting their needs, or they begin to disagree with statements the church or the denomination the church is a part of or the pastor has made, they can simply stop attending and withdraw or transfer their membership to some other church.

Sometimes we find there are those in the church who don't quite seem to fit. Perhaps they have a minority opinion or gifts and interests that are vastly different than most of the other members of the church.



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Maybe a congregation thinks it represents a certain political party, a specific race, favors one gender over another, or a particular age demographic. When one member senses they are not part of the "in" group, they may feel shut out and unwanted. Like a body rejecting a transplant, these members feel cut off from the rest of the group.

Church membership or affiliation is not a responsibility we ought to take lightly. It is different from a book club or a gym membership. We don't just show up to have our needs met. We aren't here to be with people just like us. Church membership isn't like a loyalty card at the local grocery store. We don't join just to receive frequent worship blessings. We are not stockholders whose time of service and financial investment necessarily give us a say in setting the direction of the church's future. We can simply walk away from a grocery store or gym or club when things are not going our way, when we stop getting what we want. We can be as committed, or as distant, as we see fit.

Today's scripture reading demands a deeper commitment from those of us who are a part of the Body of Christ...a member of a church. In 1 Corinthians 12, we see the connection we are to have within the Church. Our connection to one another in Christ is to be much more than our connection with a fellow member of our tennis team or the Rotary Club. We are eyes, ears, feet and hands. We are part of the body of Christ. We are dependent upon one another, and we function best when we realize that despite our differences, we all work together toward the same goal.

Paul had no idea about the wonderful things science would one day do to regenerate body parts today. Yet his illustration about how the church should function as the human body functions still works. Our individual gifts and abilities shape us uniquely for the tasks God calls each of us to within the body of Christ. Our differences are not to be minimized, but celebrated.

Each of us has different gifts and the gifts we each have are necessary to fulfill the work of the whole body...the work God calls the church to do...and it's a work no other group or organization or institution in the world does.

Some of us are talkers and others thinkers. Some of us are planners and others doers. Some of us find energy while reaching out to the poor and needy, and others when ministering to the children through Sunday school and our youth programs. Some are excited about the music and preaching that draw people to us on a Sunday morning, others call us to go outside of our walls to love those who feel shut out.

We think differently. We are different. And that is okay. This is God's design for us.

God has assembled us into the body just how God wants it. Our task is to work together to serve Christ in all that we do. The first verses of 1 Corinthians 12, which we discussed last Sunday, remind us that our differing gifts come from the same Spirit. Although we have different gifts and are different people, we are one body through our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are created in the image of God, redeemed by the blood of Christ, and strengthened and renewed by the Holy Spirit.

Together we celebrate others whose roles are different from ours and together we work for the common goal of sharing the love and saving mercy of Jesus Christ with each other, and more importantly, with those who have not yet encountered the grace and saving mercy of Jesus Christ we have encountered.

Today we ordain and install elders to serve on the Session of this congregation. They will join other elders on the Session and bring different gifts to the work and ministry they are promising to do in their role as spiritual leaders of this congregation. I am firmly convinced God calls the people into the life of any particular church to do all God calls that part of the Body of Christ to do at any particular time. But the question is: *will each of us use our gifts...* because it takes everyone's gifts to fully live into that which God calls us to do. We know some of our number are no longer able to do what they once did. That means those of us who are must fill in the gap as they filled in the gaps previously. We, each one of us, is here at this time in the life of this church...Mount Vernon Presbyterian...for a reason.

As those who will be ordained and installed today come forward, I invite and encourage each of you to think about the gifts God has given you. Then, don't wait for someone to ask you to use your gifts. I would like nothing more than for my email inbox and my telephone to be filled with messages from you saying:

"I have a gift for \_\_\_\_\_. Where can I serve at MVPC?"

If you will do that, I will see that you are contacted by the people here who can insure your gifts...your gifts that are greatly needed here...are used so that this part of the Body of Christ, Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church, can answer God's call on its life.

Come on folks! Fill up my email...fill up my voicemail...say to God through the ministry and mission of this church of which you are a part..."Here I am Lord, use me!"

## Ordination/Installation of Elders

Ordained and installed:

Jon Barber, Melinda Carden, Bryan McClintock

Installed: Malinda Holmes



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## Garden Hill Scholarship Fund

Thank you to everyone who has already donated to the Garden Hill Scholarship Fund this year! Your contribution will go to benefit 28 deserving students attending Garden Hill High School in Lusaka, Zambia. Please help us reach our goal of \$5000 to pay tuition for all 28 students, including Edward Phiri and Lackson Nkata. Edward wants to become a pilot after he graduates and Lackson wants to become a nurse. Please help them achieve their goals by donating through our website <https://highschoolforzambia.wixsite.com/gardenhill> or making a donation to the church as Garden Hill Scholarship fund. Below is a picture of Lackson Nkata!



**SERVE**

Thanks,  
Hannah Hagenau

*“Moved by the Spirit, we serve our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others”*



## Communion Offering

**The Communion Offering** on Sunday, February 3, will be for the Food Pantry at the Community Assistance Center (CAC). Most needed items include canned meats (chicken, tuna, ham, spam, etc.), canned peas and vegetables, cereal, macaroni and cheese or canned pasta meals. Please place your donations in the baskets in the narthex. Donations may also be brought to the church at any time in February and placed in the Outreach bins outside of the office.

## Financial Update

	Week of 1/21-1/27/19	YTD 2019	2019 Budget
<b>Member Giving</b>	\$18,810	\$52,565	\$523,700
<b>Loose Offering</b>	\$80	\$286	\$5,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$18,890	\$52,851	\$528,700



## Zambian College Scholarship Fund



We have reached our 2018 annual goal of \$10,000 which provides college tuition for students in Zambia. By providing these students a once in a lifetime opportunity to attend college their lives, the lives of their families and the community are being truly changed. If you would like more info please contact Stan Williams 404-245-6749.

Victoria Mwansa  
Graduates 2020  
Early Childhood Education  
"Thank you very much, may the Lord expand you and open more opportunities to touch more lives like you have touched mine."



## Zambia Ambassadors Trip

We are looking for 6 more volunteers to go on the annual mission trip to Zambia. The trip is June 16-July 6, 2019. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Gill Hutt at [cargillhutt@gmail.com](mailto:cargillhutt@gmail.com).



### 2019 Session Members and Ministry Teams

#### Christian Education

Mary McClurg  
Carrie Southard

#### Senior Adults

Donna Martin

#### Fellowship

David Barclift  
Melinda Carden

#### Outreach

Quinton Fisher  
Gill Hutt

#### Children

Heidi Nelson  
Hannah Hagenau

#### Finance/Administration

Charlie Gray

#### Stewardship

Wit Truitt

#### Personnel

Bryan McClintock

#### Youth

Jon Barber

#### Congregational Care

Joy Carden

#### Witness

Mackenzie Truitt  
Pat Davis

#### Strategic Planning

Barbara Hughes  
Donna Neumann

#### Worship

Christy Hill

#### Clerk of Session

Malinda Holmes

#### Moderator

Rev. Susan Haynes

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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3 TJ Shirley Reception 10am& noon Youth Group 5pm	4 PNC Meeting 7pm	5 PW-CT 10am  CE Meeting 7pm	6 Choir 7:30 pm	7 Young life 6 pm	8 PW Book Cir- cle 10am	9
10 Annual Meeting 10 am No Sunday School Circle of Grace 5pm Youth Group 5 pm	11 Finance Admin. 6:30 pm	12 PNC Meeting 7 pm	13 Men's Lunch 11:45am  Choir 7:30 pm	14 Young life 6 pm	15	16
17 Session Meeting 12pm Youth Group 5pm	18 Presidents' Day	19 Worship Ministry Team 7 pm <b>Good News Deadline</b>	20 Choir 7:30 pm  PNC Meeting 7 pm	21 Young life 6 pm	22	23
24 Youth Group 5pm	25 PNC Meeting 7 pm	26	27 Choir 7:30 pm  <b>Good News Published</b>	28 Young life 6 pm  LNP Board Meeting 6 pm		

### February Birthdays

Mike Hughes	2-Feb	Erin Jackson	15-Feb	Jim Wingate	22-Feb
Eli Maulding	3-Feb	Louise Lord	17-Feb	Kimberly Craig	23-Feb
David Nelson	6-Feb	Olivia Paul	17-Feb	Viola Craig	23-Feb
Jack Nelson	6-Feb	Laura Snipes	18-Feb	Taylor Doyle	23-Feb
Mort Northrop	6-Feb	Leigh Thompson	18-Feb	Julia Swanson	23-Feb
Hunter Whitney	7-Feb	Don Paul	20-Feb	John Allen	24-Feb
Ella Ponsell	9-Feb	Steve Ponsell	20-Feb	Thomas Ufere	25-Feb
Jack Ward	11-Feb	Kim Bridgeford	22-Feb	Karen Camp	28-Feb
Kate Christian	15-Feb	George Hammett	22-Feb	Chad Plumly II	28-Feb

February 2019**February 3**

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 71:1-6 and I Cor. 13:1-13

10:00 This Sunday Activities

- Childcare:** (Sanctuary Building, Room 120, Infants-K)  
**Children:** (Kirk Center, Grades 1-5)  
**Youth:** (Gailey Hall)  
**Adult: 1.** ***Feasting on the Word*** (Chapel) – Sam McClurg  
 Feb. 3 Jer. 1:4-10 (Jeremiah's call and commission)  
**2.** ***Quest*** (Session Room) 10 Things Christians Don't Need to Believe:  
 #9: God Loves Straight People but Not Gay People

**February 10**

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 138 and Luke 5:1-11

10:00 This Sunday Activities: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES --Please attend the congregational meeting at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall

- Childcare:** (Sanctuary Building, Room 120, Infants-K)  
**Children:** (Kirk Center, Grades 1-5)

*"As children of  
 God, we seek to  
 praise God in  
 worship and in all  
 that we say and  
 do"*

**February 17**

SCRIPTURE: Guest Preacher-Elizabeth Small

10:00 This Sunday Activities

- Childcare:** (Sanctuary Building, Room 120, Infants-K)  
**Children:** (Kirk Center, Grades 1-5)  
**Youth:** (Gailey Hall)  
**Adult: 1.** ***Feasting on the Word*** (Chapel) – Joy Carden  
 Feb. 17 Luke 6:17-26 (Blessings and Woes)  
**2.** ***Quest*** (Session Room) 10 Things Christians Don't Need to Believe:  
 #10: It's OK for Christians to be Judgmental

**February 24**

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 and Luke 6:27-38

10:00 This Sunday Activities

- Childcare:** (Sanctuary Building, Room 120, Infants-K)  
**Children:** (Kirk Center, Grades 1-5)  
**Youth:** (Gailey Hall)  
**Adult: 1.** ***Feasting on the Word*** (Chapel) – David Hill  
 Feb. 24 Luke 6:17-30 (Love Your Enemies)  
**2.** ***Quest*** (Session Room) 10 Things Christians Don't Need to Believe:  
 #1: Jesus' Identity: Who Is Jesus?



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STAMP  
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Return Service Requested

**Got News?** We'd love to hear from you! Send us your news so we can celebrate, laugh, and/or cry with you. After all, we are FAMILY. Deadline for news is the third Tuesday of each month for the *next month's* newsletter. Send your submissions to [lauren@mvpchurch.org](mailto:lauren@mvpchurch.org). *If you'd no longer wish to receive the Good News monthly, please email Jill at [jill@mvpchurch.org](mailto:jill@mvpchurch.org).*

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## Mount Vernon Presbyterian

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