

MVPC Happenings....



PRAISE. LISTEN. LOVE. SERVE.

New Men's Group: Meets Wednesday, February 13. The Christian education committee would like to extend an invitation to the men of Mount Vernon to join together in a new fellowship opportunity called *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) know by Monday (11th) if you will attend so he can make lunch reservations. (Sponsored by Presbyterian Women)

Youth: Youth Group from 5-7 this Sunday night. You're always welcome to bring a friend!

Presbyterian Women: After the 11:00 service today, the Day Circle and the Sunday Circle will meet jointly for lunch and a presentation about Family Promise by the director, Andrea Brantley. Everyone is invited!

The Book Circle will next meet on Mar. 8th and review *The First Women: The Grace and Power of America's First Ladies* by Kate Andersen Brower.

Circle of Grace will meet today at the home of Lisa Cumming at 5 pm.

Our PW Winter Newsletter is available online on our website or you can grab a copy in the narthex.

Food for First Cup: We would love for YOU to sign up to bring food for the First Cup service. If you haven't volunteered before, it is an easy way to get involved. Please sign up online at www.mvpchurch.org or speak to Christy Hill if you are interested. Duties are simple - all you do is add your food, and add juice and ice/water in the pitcher provided. Everything is in the cabinets in the Kirk Center and the coffee is provided - so easy!

February 10, 2019

Stephen Ministry: Looking for compassionate and committed men and women!

The Stephen Ministry, a lay ministry for assisting people in crisis (death, divorce, loss of job, injury, illness, or other), will resume under the leadership of Pat Bartee. Training for a Mount Vernon church team will begin this month. Those entering training must be, 1) a past Stephen minister or, 2) a person who can easily keep confidences and keep information private, 3) a person who is more willing to listen than to advise (you will be trained to do this!) and, 4) one who will commit to mandatory training (The Stephen Ministry is a licensed program).

The Stephen Ministry can become a true asset to our church by supplementing and assisting pastoral and congregational care and supporting and befriending our members during crises. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Pat Bartee.

Financial Update

	Week of 1/27-2/3/19	Year to Date 2019	2019 Budget
Member Giving	\$9,140	\$61,705	\$523,700
Loose Offering	\$63	\$349	\$5,000
Total	\$9,203	\$62,054	\$528,700

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.