MVPC Happenings....



Ash Wednesday: Next Wednesday, March 6, join us for a pancake dinner in Fellowship Hall followed by Ash Wednesday service at 7 pm in the Sanctuary.

Lenten Small Groups: This Sunday, March 3, is the last Sunday to sign up for Lenten small groups. Two of our four groups are already filled. There is still space in the Towers Group (led by Pat Davis) and the 5–6:30 Sunday church group led by Gloria Gillespie. They start March 10. Books are now available so please pick one up so you will be ready for our first session.

Family Promise March 10-March 17

We have three families joining us for this spring session for Family promise. Our team is working with them to ensure they have the support they need to ensure a smooth transition back into homes of their own.

Please consider signing up to be an overnight host, for us these are the most difficult positions to fill. I can attest to the comfort of the bed. I certainly enjoyed the nights I slept over!

We are truly blessed to be a blessing as we continue our support of Family Promise of North Fulton Dekalb.

Sign up Genius: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4baaa72fa02-march

Fellowship of the Carpenter: MEN.....get up a little earlier on Sunday, March 31 and join us at 7:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall for breakfast. This will be the first gathering of our new men's group, the *Fellowship of the Carpenter*. We are planning to have the group meet for breakfast at 7:30–8:45 a.m. (Fellowship Hall) on the 5th Sundays of the month (3/31, 6/30, 9/29, 12/29). This will put us meeting on a quarterly basis. Our first breakfast will give us an opportunity for good food, fellowship and time to talk about what we would like to see happening with this group. There will also be reflection on our morning devotional led by Charlie Gray.

Senior Adult Ministry:

Our Senior Adult Ministry Team is having a Soup and Salad Lunch on Saturday, March 9, at 12:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. We hope all of our Senior Adults will join us for great food and great fellowship! Please contact Elizabeth in the church office to reserve your spot!

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

March Communion Offering: Our food drive for the Community Assistance Center (CAC) will continue through the month of March. They are in <u>desperate</u> need of food since their shelves are almost empty. 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 Outreach bin outside of the office anytime during the month of February or March.

Stephen Ministry:

Six people are training to become our new Stephen ministers! They begin an intensive fifty hours of training starting on March 3. All are excited to be learning new skills in a ministry that will equip our church with another level of congregational care, one from skilled laypeople.

Yarning for You: There is a new knitting class at the **C**ommunity **A**ssistance **C**enter every Friday from 10–11:30am. Beginners are welcome! The veteran knitters will help beginners learn to knit. Contact <u>Monica.fernandez@ourcac.org</u> if you have questions.

Village Drivers needed: We are looking for two drivers to pick up members of our church from the Village on Sunday mornings. The riders are picked up at 10:45am and returned to the Village following service. You will coordinate with the others drivers and only have to drive about 4–6 times a year. Please contact Mary Kilgore to sign up: mnk1936@gmail.com or 404–259–4036.

SPRING FORWARD next Sunday, March 10. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed Saturday night.

Financial Update

	Week of	Year to Date 2019	2019 Budget
Member Giving	\$10,124	\$83,782	\$523,700
Loose Offering	\$53	\$560	\$5,000
Total	\$10,177	\$83,342	\$528,700

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.