MVPC Happenings....



Children's Easter Party: On April 13 from 2-4 pm, Sylvia and Don McAdam are hosting an event in their yard across from the church in Mount Vernon Woods (6422 Vernon Woods Drive NE Atlanta, GA 30328). We will have a bounce house, ring toss and more for the kids! We also plan to dye and fill Easter eggs for the church egg hunt the following day. Light refreshments will be served. We hope you can make it! This event is open to everyone so please invite your friends and family.

We are requesting donations to fill the Easter Eggs such as candy, toys, bubbles, etc... that will fit into standard 2.5 inch plastic Easter Eggs. Please place donations in the church office by Friday, April 11.

Youth: Youth group tonight from 5-7 pm in Gailey Hall. Come join us and bring a friend!

Our Youth Mission trip is June 2-7 in Asheville, NC. Please email Jon Barber if you wish to attend and to get more details, jonathanbarber@yahoo.com.

Young Adult Outing: Our next Young Adult Outing is Saturday, April 13 from 2-6 pm at the Dunwoody Tavern Oyster Festival. See more details on the event page on Facebook. Coordinate with Matthias Young if you plan to go as he lives nearby and you can park at his house.

Palm Sunday Brunch & Easter Egg Hunt: Save-the-date for our church Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, April 14! Brunch is at 10 am in Fellowship Hall with crafts for kids set up followed by the Easter egg hunt on the playground at 10:30.

Senior Adult Gathering: All Senior Adults are invited to come watch the Masters' Tournament after church on Sunday, April 14, in Gailey Hall. Since we're having a brunch that day, we are asking that you bring tapas – appetizers – to share. The most golf themed appetizer will win a prize!

Also, all Senior Adults are invited to come to Perimeter Mall to walk with us on Thursday mornings at 9 am starting April 11. We will meet by the escalators. No need to sign up - just lace up your sneakers and join us!

Don't forget to use your Lego piece to remind you to pray daily for the people/events you've assigned to each peg – or to remind you to pray in general – during this Lenten season. (If you didn't get a piece, you can pick one up on Sunday or in the church office.) Please bring your piece back on Easter Sunday (either service) for a meaningful end to this Lego Challenge!

April Communion Offering: The April Communion Offering is for the International Women's House, a shelter for abused immigrant and refugee women and their children. Most needed items include paper towels, bathroom tissue, household cleaning supplies, laundry and dish detergent, non-perishable pantry goods (especially sugar, flour, spices, etc.), children's arts/crafts and school supplies, umbrellas, diapers, and grocery store gift cards. Please place your donations in the outreach bin outside the church office any time during the month of April. Thank you for your generosity!

2019 Grant Application: Download a copy of our 2019 Foundation Grant Application from our website or grab a copy in the church office.

Presbyterian Women: In April, the Day Circle will meet on the 9th and the Sunday Circle will meet on the 14th. Rev. Susan Haynes will talk to us about the Presbyterian Church and the issues that unite and divide us. The retreat that we usually have in April will take place next fall. The Book Circle will meet on the 12th and review "The Last Lecture" by Randy Pausch and Jeffrey Zaslow. The Circle of Grace will meet on the 14th at the home of Shelly Ray.

Save the date! Presbyterian Women will sponsor a program on May 5th after the 11:00 service. All women of the church are invited. Daphne Reiley will present, "Weaving a Tapestry of Spiritual Practices". Ms. Reiley is the co-author of the book, "A Tapestry of Love". She is also a spiritual leader in her home church, First Christian Church of Decatur. A light lunch will be provided.

Our Spring Newsletter is available in the Narthex or on our website.

Stephen Ministry: Stephen Ministry trainees are excited about providing another level of caregiving to Mount Vernon's congregational care program. They have completed the first month of training and, heading into the second, are seeing growth in their prayer and spiritual lives and growth in their caregiver skills. This dedicated team (Patricia Hibbard, Mary McClurg, Joy Carden, Bruce Morine, and Carolina Kirby-Smith) is preparing to serve us when we are at our lowest place. Pray for them as they continue to prepare.

Items needed: We are in process of updating Gailey Hall. The furniture has served its purpose and we need to retire what we currently have. If you have new or slightly used furniture that is in good condition that you may no longer need, please let Steve Ray know. He will be responsible for coordinating getting furniture. Please know if we don't think it will serve GH needs, we may donate it to CAC for their Thrift Shop.

Lent & Easter Schedule

April 13: Children's Easter Party, 2-4pm at McAdam Residence in Mount Vernon Woods Subdivision

April 14: Palm Sunday Services 9 & 11 am

Palm Sunday Brunch & Egg Hunts, 10 am in Fellowship Hall

April 18: Maundy Thursday Service, 7:30pm in Sanctuary

April 19: Good Friday Service, 7:30 pm in Sanctuary

April 21: Easter Sunrise Service, 7 am on Patio Easter Service, 11am in Sanctuary

Financial Update

	Week of 3/25-3/31	Year to Date 2019	2019 Budget
Member Giving	\$6,069	\$121,831	\$523,700
Loose Offering	\$1,504	\$2,568	\$5,000
Total	\$7,573	\$124,399	\$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.