

# MVPC Happenings....



**Barbara Bobeng's obituary** appeared in the AJC on Friday, July 19th. Rev. Ron Gilreath will officiate at Barbara's memorial service on August 10th in Holland, MI. The Bobeng family thanks you for your prayers and support. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or online at <https://act.alz.org/site/Donation>.

**The Session** has called a meeting of the congregation for Sunday, July 28 immediately following the 10 a.m. worship service for the purpose of electing the 2019 Church Nominating Committee. The Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church by-laws require that 5 people serve on the Church Nominating Committee. Per the PCUSA Book of Order, 2 of the 5 must be elders, one of whom must be currently serving on the Session, to serve as moderator and vice-moderator. The Session has appointed Gill Hutt as moderator and Charlie Gray as vice-moderator. The following will be nominated to serve on the 2019 Church Nominating Committee representing the congregation: Meg Christian, Gloria Gillespie, Barbara Hughes.

**July Communion Offering:** The Communion Offering for July is for school supplies for the Community Assistance Center (CAC) and other agencies that assist needy children. A \$40 donation to CAC allows them to purchase school supplies wholesale and provide each student with a backpack filled with appropriate items for each grade level. If you prefer to purchase school supplies, those will be given to Stirred Up Ministries and the International Women's House (a shelter for homeless women and children).

Checks may be placed in the offering plate any Sunday in July or left in the church office. Please write "CAC school supplies" on the memo line. Other donations (pencils, erasers, notebook paper, composition books, writing pens, markers, backpacks, etc.) may be placed in the outreach bin at any time during this month. Thank you for your generosity!

**The Senior Adult Ministry (SAM)** will be hosting a Salad and Games lunch on Saturday, July 27, from 12:00-2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite salad to share! Drinks and watermelon provided. Bring your best competitive game play or just come and hang out with us! Friends are always welcome. Please let Elizabeth know if you're coming by calling the church office or emailing [elizabeth@mvpchurch.org](mailto:elizabeth@mvpchurch.org).

**Be a Choir Member for a Day!** Come make a joyful noise unto the Lord on Sunday August 4th as we bid farewell to Rev. Susan Haynes. Any member of the congregation who would like to sing with the choir that day is welcome! For one day only, you can have the experience of singing in the choir. And who knows, you might enjoy it so much that you decide to stay! We'll rehearse briefly before the service at 9:20. Fear not—The music will be easy! Come join the choir for a day and let's make some music together!

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**Canine Assistants Children's Outing:** Do you love puppies and farm animals? Have you ever wondered how service dogs are trained? Come join Christy Hill and Lisa Cumming at the Canine Assistants farm in Alpharetta to find out! They will be giving us a private tour of the facility which includes the puppy classroom, the barn for the farm animals, and the whelping room where we will be able to interact with the puppies. At the end, we will all have a picnic lunch together.

Date and time is Aug. 24th from 10:30am -12:00pm. All children of the church are invited (and bring a friend!). Space is limited to approx. 12 children. Parents are welcome, but optional. RSVP to Carrie Southard at tkscns@bellsouth.net.

**Presbyterian Women:** Presbyterian Women will not meet until September. Meanwhile, have a wonderful summer!

Our **Summer Newsletter** is available in the Narthex or on the church website.

**Family Promise update:** Our Second week of Family Promise is going well. This session we celebrated three birthdays, with one more birthday coming up on the 19th! The families have really appreciated the Stars and Strikes gift cards and the Regal Movie tickets. Thanks to all of you who contributed. Our biggest challenge remains finding affordable housing for our guests to move into to start their new life on a firm footing. Please contact us if you or any of your friends would consider renting to one of our families. Moiralife@gmail.com.

**The Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church Stephen Ministry** was commissioned for service on Sunday, July 7. The ministry adds an additional layer of support for those undergoing stressful times. We offer care and support in Spanish, as well. Women are assigned to women and men to men in a confidential one-on-one relationship. Referrals go through the pastor. Please utilize this team of trained laypeople who will journey the hard times with you.

**The Church Directory for 2019-2020** will be coming out August 25th. If you have any changes to your address, email address, or phone number(s), please email your updates to Jill at [jill@mvpchurch.org](mailto:jill@mvpchurch.org) or indicate the changes in the worship attendance books on Sundays. Deadline is August 19. Thank you!

### Sunday: July 21

#### 11:00 Sunday Activities

**Childcare:** (Sanctuary Building, Room 120, Infants-K)

**Adult:** *Feasting on the Word* (Chapel-David Hill)

*Luke 10:38-42 Paying Attention*

*Adults will reflect on ways to keep focused on Jesus and his message in the midst of life's distractions.*

#### **No Children or Youth Activities for the summer**

	<b>Week of 7/8-7/14</b>	<b>Year to Date 2019</b>	<b>2019 Budget</b>
Member Giving	\$3,957	\$327,105	\$542,000
Loose Offering	\$560	\$8,325	\$5,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,517</b>	<b>\$335,430</b>	<b>\$547,000</b>

If you have any announcements that you would like to appear in the *Happenings*, weekly email, or *Good News* please email them to Terri Clayton, [terri@mvpchurch.org](mailto:terri@mvpchurch.org).