

# MVPC Happenings....



**Help the Abernethys learn your name** by wearing your name tag to church on Sundays. If you need a name tag please contact Jill at [jill@mvpchurch.org](mailto:jill@mvpchurch.org).

**Session II Small Groups are Coming:** Next Sunday, August 25, we begin sign ups for Session II of our Small Groups. New brochures are available on the info table in the narthex. There are 3 choices for studies so check them out.

**Canine Assistants Children's Outing:** 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!). Please let Carrie know if you would like to come. Carrie Southard at [tkscns@bellsouth.net](mailto:tkscns@bellsouth.net).

**Fall Kick-Off Sunday BBQ Celebration:** August 25, 2019 at 11:00 am. Join us after worship in celebrating the Installation of Rev. Barrett Abernethy, as we fellowship and enjoy some BBQ!

Remember the old timey Pounding Parties where we would bring a pound of this or a pound of that to someone who moved here? We are recreating that idea with a modern twist at the Installation BBQ on Sunday, Aug. 25, for Barrett and his family! Please bring a pound of something OR a gift card to Target, Publix, Kroger or your favorite store. (Please note: Braegan is lactose intolerant and does not eat red meat.) If we receive several pounds of something so as to be impractical, we will donate that to CAC. Let's make sure Barrett, Braegan, and Evelyn have everything they need to start their new lives here!

**The Senior Adult Ministry Team (SAM)** is sponsoring a lunch on Saturday, 9/14, from 12-2 in Fellowship Hall with a "5 to Thrive" program included. 5 to Thrive is a chance to hear about easy meals that you can make at home) with only 5 ingredients or less! I am NOT a cook, but I'm intrigued by this myself. There's no cost, but please do let Elo know if you plan to come so we will have enough ingredients for everyone. We will have recipes, shopping lists, and a chance to make one of the meals yourself. You're always welcome to bring a friend!

**The MVPC Stephen Ministry:** Having difficulty with a stressful event in your life? Need a helpful, non-judgmental companion to walk through it with you? Call Pat Barte, Stephen Leader, or the Pastor to make a referral.

We are an adult ministry (18 years and over) to congregants and community members and offer confidential, one-on-one, Christian, caring relationships to those overwhelmed by grief, job loss, transitions and moving, mid-life and aging issues, divorce, spiritual questioning, cancer, chronic illness, and dying. Please utilize our trained care givers.

**August 18, 2019**

**August Communion Offering:** is for Clifton Sanctuary Ministries, a homeless shelter and transitional housing facility located in the Lake Claire neighborhood of downtown Atlanta. For more than 15 years, MVPC has partnered with the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta and other Presbyterian churches to provide financial support, meals, and other donations to help men seeking to overcome homelessness. For more information about Clifton, go online to [cliftonsanctuary.com](http://cliftonsanctuary.com). Current needs include: paper towels, bathroom tissue, laundry detergent, bleach, dish detergent, household cleaning supplies, coffee, cereal (Cheerios, Frosted Flakes, and Raisin Bran are favorites), twin size sheets and pillow cases, bath towels and washcloths, items for sack lunches (Ziplock sandwich bags, chips, granola bars, juice boxes, etc.), and grooming supplies (men's deodorant, shaving cream, toothbrushes, and toothpaste).

Please place your donations in the outreach bin near the church office any time during the month of August. Thank you for your generosity!

**Presbyterian Women:** Starting in September, the Day Circle and the Sunday Circle will be doing the Horizons Bible Study, *Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments*, by Eugenia Anne Gamble. Rev. Gamble is a pastor who has served the church for more than 30 years. Sarah Chalpan and Pearl Attaway attended the workshop held at Columbia Theological Seminary and led by Rev. Gamble. PW welcomes all women of MVPC to attend this Bible Study. The study guide will be available for purchase at the church barbecue on August 25 and on September 1 after both services. The cost is \$12. The Sunday Circle will meet on September 8 after the 11:00 service. The Day Circle will meet on September 10 at 10:00. The Book Circle will meet on September 13 at 10:00. They will be reading *Mademoiselle Chanel* by C. W. Gortner.

**Save the date!** The PW retreat will be on October 6 after the 11:00 service at Lost Corner Preserve (in Sandy Springs at the corner of Brandon Mill Rd. and Dalrymple Rd). More information will come soon.

Pick up a copy of the Special Edition MVPC PW Newsletter in the narthex.

**Do you feel a need for prayer?** Have our Prayer Vine pray for you! Email your requests to [prayerrequests@mvpchurch.org](mailto:prayerrequests@mvpchurch.org) or call the church office at 404-255-2211.

## Sunday: August 18

### 11:00 Sunday Activities

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

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

*Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Running the Race*

*Adults will affirm the importance of perseverance in running the race set before us and know where they can find support and strength.*

### No Children or Youth Activities for the summer

### Financial Update

	Week of 8/5-8/11	Year to Date 2019	2019 Budget
Member Giving	\$6,781	\$357,463	\$542,000
Loose Offering	\$352	\$9,022	\$5,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,133</b>	<b>\$366,485</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).