

MVPC Happenings....



Small Group Sign-ups Begin Today: Be sure to stop by our small groups registration table in the narthex after worship and get signed up for Session II of our small groups program. Meetings begin September 15. Brochures give complete details of meeting times, places, and study topics. Registration will continue for two more Sundays.

Fall Christian Education Brochure Now Available: Pick up a copy of our new Fall C.E. brochure (info table) and check out the three terrific adult classes that will begin September 8. Join a class where you will definitely find captivating faith stretching discussions every week.

August Communion Offering: 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 this month. Thank you!

The September Communion Offering is for the Food Pantry at the Community Assistance Center (CAC). Since its founding at Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church in 1987, CAC has assisted more than 19,000 families experiencing hardships by providing food, financial assistance, and other services to prevent homelessness and promote self-sufficiency. For more information, go online to: ourcac.org. Current needs include: canned meats and beef stew, canned fruits and vegetables, dry or evaporated milk, peanut butter, jelly, jello, pudding mix, macaroni and cheese, canned spaghetti sauce and pastas (Spaghetti Os, etc.), instant potatoes, rice, soup, crackers, cookies, and child-friendly snacks.

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

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!

10:00 This Sunday Activities

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

No classes this week. Join us after service for food and fellowship!

August 25, 2019

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. It may also bring a fresh look at the way we look and live in the world.

The study guide will be available for purchase at the BBQ today and on September 1 in the narthex. 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). The program will be *Intimacy: Relational and Spiritual*. It will led by Eleanor Barron (Meg Christian's mother).

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

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.

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

Our Prayer Team has become quite active in the last few months, praying weekly for many of our members who are struggling while also rejoicing in the good. We would love to have you on the Team! You will NOT be bombarded with emails - instead, you'll get one every Thursday and one whenever we have an emergency. If you're not an emailer, I can call you and give you the requests. It's a very simple yet incredibly powerful way to engage in your church family. Let Elizabeth know if you're interested by calling the church office or emailing her.

Financial Update

	Week of 8/12-8/18	Year to Date 2019	2019 Budget
Member Giving	\$6,130	\$363,593	\$542,000
Loose Offering	\$514	\$9,536	\$5,000
Total	\$6,644	\$373,129	\$547,000

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.