

MVPC Happenings....



Small Group Sign-ups Today: It's still not too late to sign up and join a small group. They begin this Sunday. Sunday groups meet from 12:15-1:45 and 5:00-6:30. The Thursday group meets at the Towers from 2:00-3:30.

Liturgist Needed: Contact Barrett if you would like to serve as a liturgist at either the 9 or 11am service.

Youth Group Update: A big thank you to the Cummings for hosting the kick-off for MVPC Youth Group this past Sunday!

Upcoming Youth Events:

9/15 - Youth group continues this Sunday at Gailey Hall from 5-7pm.

9/22 - Trip to the Braves! We need an accurate headcount so that we can purchase tickets.

9/29 - Dinner at the Abernethy's. Get a chance to know our new pastor! If you (or your children) are planning to attend, please RSVP at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094ba5af2ca02-mvpc>

MEN'S BREAKFAST SEPTEMBER 29: Our next breakfast gathering of the Fellowship of the Carpenter men's group will be Sunday, September 29, 7:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Barrett will be sharing with us some of his ideas. Great food, great fellowship, and great conversation. Please sign up in the narthex.

Child Protection Policy Training: On September 22 all parents and church members who will be involved with youth and children activities are required to attend this training session. The session is from 12:15-1:45pm in the session room. Lunch will be provided. This training session is mandatory for all who want to help out with our youth and children's ministries.

The September Communion Offering is for the Food Pantry at the Community Assistance Center (CAC). 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.

A New Member/Inquirers Class is starting Sunday, October 6th and running through the rest of the month. Rev. Abernethy will begin a class called Presbyterian 101 that will run during the 10am Church School hour. This class will be for visitors who are curious about Presbyterians, new members who are wondering "What have I just joined?" and even longtime members who are sitting there in the pews thinking, "Now why am I here?" I hope you will consider this class if you fall into one of these categories.

If interested in this class, please email Jill at jill@mvpchurch.org so we will know where to hold the class and have sufficient materials for everyone.

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Presbyterian Women: This year 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. PW welcomes all women of MVPC to attend this Bible Study.

The study guide will be available for purchase today in the Narthex. The cost is \$12. The Sunday Circle met on September 8 after the 11:00 service. The Day Circle met on September 10 at 10:00. Pearl Attaway led the first lesson: *Words of Love: I Am Your God; You Shall Have No Others*. The Book Circle met on September 13 at 10:00 to discuss *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 be led by Eleanor Barron (Meg Christian's mother). The cost is \$20 and includes lunch.

Pick up a copy of the Special Edition MVPC PW Newsletter in the narthex. The Fall Newsletter is also available in the Narthex or on the church website.

The MVPC Stephen Ministry: Going through a long illness? Empty nest? Retirement not as fulfilling as promised? Stressed to the max? Divorcing? Just lost a job and prospects seem slim? All relatives live far away or stay very busy and you need to fend off loneliness? Just lost a dear friend or spouse and need help processing that loss? Moving and feeling disoriented? Trained Stephen Ministers are available to be with you during trying times and to see you back to wholeness. Our training helps us keep things confidential while helping you find the courage and resources for moving forward.

To refer, contact our pastor, Barrett, Elo, or Pat Bartee, Stephen leader.

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.

10:00 Sunday Activities for 9/15/19

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

Children: 1-5 Grade, *Growing in Grace and Gratitude* - Kirk Center

In addition to our *Growing in Grace and Gratitude* Presbyterian curriculum for Children's Church, we will be starting our outreach project making bracelets for our friends in Zambia!

Youth: Confirmation Class - C.E. Building, Room 213

Adults: *Discovery Bible Study* - Chapel

Quest - Session Room

Second Cup - Kirk Center

Financial Update

	Week of 9/2-9/8	Year to Date 2019	2019 Budget
Member Giving	\$11,540	\$386,340	\$542,000
Loose Offering	\$174	\$10,224	\$5,000
Total	\$11,714	\$396,564	\$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.