

# MVPC Happenings....



**Come and join us for Los Niños Primero Fiesta in the Park fundraiser!** All proceeds go to support Los Niños Primero parents and their parent program. The festival will be at Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church this afternoon from 3 to 7 pm.

**Child Protection Policy Training:** After the 11:00 service today 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.

**Youth:** Braves outing today from 12-5! Youth will meet in Gailey Hall and caravan to Suntrust Park. Braves vs Giants - 1:20 pm

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

**Small Group Sign-ups Today:** It's still not too late to sign up and join a small group. 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.

**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.

**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](mailto:jill@mvpchurch.org) so we will know where to hold the class and have sufficient materials for everyone.

**September 22, 2019**

**Pumpkin Palooza and Chili Cook-Off!!!** Sunday, Oct. 20th 4:00-7:00 pm. Event for all ages! Pumpkin decorating, Balloon animals, Live music, and more! Bring your own pumpkin to decorate. Come join the fun!

**Senior Adult Ministry:** Are you overwhelmed by the selection of Christmas cards every year? Want to make your own at low to zero cost? Our SAM is giving you a shot at doing just that! On Saturday, October 5, Donna Martin will meet with any and all Senior Adults from 1-3 pm in the Session Room to show us how. Please sign up by calling or emailing Elizabeth at the church office so that we can make sure we have enough supplies. Bonus: snacks provided for all!

**Presbyterian Women:** 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 which includes lunch. Reservations will be taken after both Sunday services for the rest of September.

**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.

**These Days Daily Devotions** for Oct-Dec are available in the narthex and in the church office. Pick one up and one to share with a friend!

**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, Elizabeth, 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](mailto:prayerrequests@mvpchurch.org) or call the church office at 404-255-2211.

#### 10:00 Sunday Activities for 9/22/19

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

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

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

**Adults:** Special presentation from our General Assembly office of the "*Self Development of People*" - Kirk Center

#### Financial Update

	Week of 9/9-9/15	Year to Date 2019	2019 Budget
Member Giving	\$7,170	\$393,510	\$542,000
Loose Offering	\$40	\$10,264	\$5,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,210</b>	<b>\$403,774</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).