

MVPC Happenings....



We welcome all who gather in worship and fellowship. Please take a moment to fill out the attendance pads located on each pew.

The November Communion Offering is non-perishable food for Stirred Up Ministries to prepare Thanksgiving baskets and distribute to needy families in the East Lake neighborhood of Atlanta. Most needed items include grocery store gift cards (to buy hams and turkeys), canned vegetables (green beans, peas, corn, sweet potatoes), cranberry sauce, cornbread mix, rice, stuffing mix, canned fruit, cake mix, pie crust mix, canned pie filling, and jello. Food donations may be placed in the outreach bin near the church office any time until **November 22**. Please place gift cards in the offering plate or in Yvonne's box in the church office. Thank you for your generosity.

Officer Training: All incoming elders need to attend upcoming Officer Training with Pastor Barrett. Training will take place after the 11:00 a.m. services on Nov. 3, Nov. 10 and Nov. 24 in the session room.

A New Member/Inquirers Class is running through the month of November. Rev. Abernethy will be leading Presbyterian 101 that will run during the 10:00 a.m. 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 debbie@mvpchurch.org so we can have sufficient materials for everyone.

Senior Adult Ministry: SAM is postponing its trip to the Botanical Gardens in November so everyone can attend the Whitacre funeral. Instead, we will attend the Thanksgiving Concert held at St Luke's Presbyterian to benefit Family Promise on Sunday, Nov 17th, at 4:00 pm. Anyone who wants to carpool over can meet at the church at 3:15 p.m. We will go to dinner after the concert. You're all welcome to come and bring a friend!

Church History: Linda Bhamé has gone through the church records and put together a history of the church. If you would like a copy, they are available in the narthex.

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

Prayer Concerns: the family of **Nan Whitacre** who died on 10/6 (service 11/9); **Kirk Pumphrey** at Manor Care in Marietta; **Catherine Bathgate** is now home recovering from a broken pelvis.

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Presbyterian Women: In November we will do lesson two, *Third Word, Don't Trivialize My Name*. The Sunday Circle will meet on **November 10** and the Day Circle will meet on **November 12**. The Book Circle will meet on **November 8** and review *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover. The Circle of Grace will meet on **November 10** at the home of Debbie Barclift. We will also participate in the Thank Offering which funds mission projects in the United States and internationally. You can pick up a copy of the PW newsletter in the narthex.

Family Promise . Brian and Brennon have moved. Nina will be with us for another month. We try to make sure the families have enough furniture to move out and we have had donations of almost everything. We would like to get some new mattresses, so if anyone has a contact in the business who might be able to help, do let Moira know. We would also be grateful for Home Depot / Kroger gift cards. These are given to the families to cover any extra expenses they have once they move into accommodation. One new family has joined us. They had been living in their car. We are in discussion with another family. Community Summit at Mount Pisgah UMC on November 7.

Help CAC, Help Families in need and get a chance to WIN one of 4 amazing trips! IRELAND exploring famous Castles OR the 2020 US Open Golf Finals OR US Open Tennis Men and Women's Finals...OR the Kentucky Derby! Purchase your ticket and make a difference at www.vintageaffair.org/raffle.

The MVPPC Stephen Ministry: Feeling beat down by losses and multiple health issues? Could you use a companion during hospitalizations and Rehab? Needing encouragement after Rehab? Grieving? Starting retirement without a future plan? Moving to a new city, community, facility, and feeling lost? Dealing with a terminal diagnosis? Having difficulty after childbirth or death? Considering divorce and need a neutral and nurturing voice? Lost a beloved job and discouraged in the new career hunt? Depressed? Lonely? Your Stephen Ministry, a trained, confidential, Christian caring ministry, is anxious to help. We are operational and already serving care receivers in our church and from our community. Contact Barrett, Elizabeth, or Pat Barte, Stephen Leader, or just alert the church office.

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 a complete list, please see the black display cases located around the church campus or the narthex table.

Copies of **The Upper Room** devotionals for November – December are available in the info centers or the church office. Pick one up and one to share with a friend!

	Week of 10/21-10/27	YTD 2019	YTD Annual Budget
Member Giving Pledge	\$2,635	\$371,206	\$463,700
Member Giving Non-Pledge	\$580	\$54,453	\$60,000
Loose Offering	\$139	\$11,711	\$5,000
Prepaid 2019 Pledges	\$0	\$18,300	\$18,300
Total	\$3,354	\$455,670	\$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.