



Have you ever had a “now what?” moment? I know I have. The questions. The uncertainty. The need for decision making despite the inertia.

- Job loss...now what?
- Diagnosis...now what?
- Divorce...now what?
- Loss of a parent, spouse or dear friend...now what?

The disciples faced that question after the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. Now what? So they went back to what they knew. Fishing.

- Something safe amidst the fear.
- Something known amidst the unknown.
- Something in the past for fear of the future.

But Jesus was making preparations for something new. Something unexpected. Something God ordained. And he announced it with 153 fish!

I’m looking forward to exploring with you this Sunday one of the greatest fish stories ever!

Gary



Sunday Worship Services  
8:30 am – Traditional  
10:30 am- Contemporary

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# Family Ministry News

**Youth Group –**  
No Youth Group May 3<sup>rd</sup> or May 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Children -**  
Sunday School May 3<sup>rd</sup> during the second service.

**U50s/adults.**  
Next meeting will be May 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

No Doubt!  
CJK, the DFM



Join the MVPC family this Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
for Virtual Church!

Go to the MVPC webpage @ [www.mviewpc.org](http://www.mviewpc.org) and select  
Facebook or YouTube

## **CLOSED CAPTION AVAILABLE**

Are you missing out on Pastor David's wonderful virtual sermons because you can't hear what is said?  
We now know closed caption is available on the YouTube broadcast. Follow the directions below:

On Youtube under the video, where you can start, pause, etc. is a "cc". Click on that to start closed

**\*Save your  
newspaper\***



## **MVPC Pet Ministry**

The Poppy Foundation is a rescue  
dedicated to the lifelong care of  
un-adoptable, medically-dependent,  
and special needs cats in Las Vegas.

Drop off your  
newspapers & canned  
food in the Recycle  
Bin by the Fellowship  
Hall doors.

**THANK  
YOU**



# LOAFN SURVEY RESULTS

We had a wonderful response from our MVPC congregation to the LOAFN Book and Gift Shop Survey. Forty-eight people took the time to complete and return the survey. Many thanks to all of you for your time and thoughtful comments and suggestions. All were very much appreciated.

And **congratulations** to the winner of the drawing for the \$25.00 gift certificate - Jeanie Rickdall!

There were some questions about hours of operation that should be clarified. The Shop opens after first service and remains open until after second service. This translates to approximately 9:30 am - 12:30 pm on Sundays. Some comments included opening during Bible Study. Great idea! Who would like to man the Shop 15 minutes before Bible Study and 30 minutes afterwards? Volunteers are needed to keep the Shop open so who would like to be a part of this fun group?

Many of you suggested advertising new products, seasonal items, etc on the screen before service. Great idea! And we will be doing more of that showing off the new products and specials. We will also communicate where the Shop monies go as it is being spent.

Some of you suggested that we include more seasonal items (Christmas and Easter), more inspirational books, golf balls, stud earrings, bracelets and much more. We have limited space but we will try to listen to our public.

And a biggie was the credit card system. We may have solved that problem since not all of us bring cash to Church. Just be sure to bring your cell phone with you! As long as we can get to the MVPC website, we can charge your purchases. And it is much easier than what we were using.

Once again, thank you again for your comments and all your support to the Shop. Hope to see you all soon!"



## Monthly Caregiver Support Group

Build a support system with people who understand.

Meeting the 2nd  
Wednesday of  
each month  
10:30am

Mountain View  
Presbyterian Church  
8601 Del Webb Blvd.  
Las Vegas, NV

Call 1.800.272.3900 to  
register.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

Alzheimer's Association support groups, conducted by trained facilitators, are a safe place for caregivers of people living with dementia to:

- Develop a support system.
- Exchange practical information on challenges and possible solutions.
- Talk through issues and ways of coping.
- Share feelings, needs and concerns.
- Learn about community resources.

 MVPC Health Ministry

## Blood Pressure Screening Event

Prevention Is the Best Protection.

- ✓ Sunday, May 3, 2026
- ✓ 8:00am to 12:00pm
- ✓ MVPC Chapel
- ✓ Sign up in the Narthex



Our Website  
[www.mviewpc.org](http://www.mviewpc.org)



RightNow Media is a free service offered to MVPC/Guests/Friends. You will have exclusive access to hundreds of Bible studies and topical videos led by world-class teachers along with a multitude of Christian-based videos for your family to enjoy.

It's easy to sign up, email Tami Samek, Ministry Coordinator at [Tami@mviewpc.org](mailto:Tami@mviewpc.org) and she will set you up and you can start accessing great Bible-based studies/videos today! *Happy Mother's Day!*

### **Reclaiming Motherhood: Embracing the Untamed Beauty, Fun, Passion & Vitality of Motherhood**



When was the last time you regarded your role as a mother as life-giving and fun?

Being a mom is supposed to be “rewarding,” but often we as mothers get stuck in a draining, repetitive cycle when it comes to parenting and living our daily lives. But what if there was another way to approach motherhood, a way that enables us to shift our perspective on what it means to be a mom and ushers in a joyful new season of mothering?

In this six-session series, Mandy Arioto (President and CEO of The MomCo) invites mothers in all stages of mothering to join her in rediscovering and reclaiming the beauty, fun, passion and vitality of motherhood. Featuring research insights from Barna Group, this series—set up for both group and solo exploration—will leave moms feeling seen, acknowledged and encouraged.

### **ACTS Part One: The Birth of the Early Church**

The book of Acts begins describing the last few moments of Christ’s earthly life, and the beginning moments of the Church Age. In Acts, the Birth of the Early Church, Tasha Calvert walks through the miracle of Pentecost and the life-changing movement of God that birthed the New Testament Church, against which Jesus declared the gates of hell will not prevail. The work Jesus accomplished on the cross began to spread through



eyewitness accounts in the first century throughout Judea, and Samaria, and to those of us who inhabit the “ends of the earth” today. Join us as we trace the miraculous, providential beginnings of the Church.

### **Treasure Champs – Preschoolers**

Meet Barry and Kari—two funny, loveable animated friends who help your preschooler discover a different biblical value (treasure!) in every episode. Learn lessons in Teamwork, Sharing, Creativity and more, and discover how precious we are to God. It’s heartwarming, faith-filled fun for little ones!



# March 2026 Session Meetings Highlights

The Deacons reported that 184 congregants signed the registers during “Meet Your Deacons” on Sunday, March 8. Deacons received new resource materials on senior services. The Deacons provided hospitality services for Kathy Brannan’s memorial service on March 21.

Pastor David informed Session that member Delores Singleton passed away on Sunday, March 22 and a memorial service will be held on Friday, April 10 at 11:00 a.m. Pastor David reviewed the Holy Week schedule of services and upcoming sermon series.

The Magnify Commission (matters relating to worship). Elder Karla Canfield reported that the Commission will be decorating the Sanctuary for Good Friday and Easter. The Lenten devotionals provided to the congregation beginning at the Ash Wednesday services have been well received. Domsy Glass Company is completing fabrication of the new baptismal font for MVPC, with estimated delivery by the end of April. MVPC’s Chancel Choir together with choirs from Green Valley Presbyterian, Henderson Presbyterian and Grace Presbyterian Churches sang at the Spring Presbytery Meeting held March 16-18 at Grace’s new church facilities.

The Serve Commission (serving others outside of MVPC). Elder Laura Martin reported that the Commission will host a program highlighting MVPC supported mission programs called “Mission Possible” on Sunday, April 26. The Hoving Home Choir will perform at Sunday morning services on April 26. The Pet Ministry will sponsor a pet adoption program on Sunday, April 19 in the MVPC courtyard. The Commission anticipates an event to support Project 150 sometime in May to coincide with graduation. MVPC will host a table at the annual Club Christ gala on April 10. Food Banks - \$800 was donated by the Men’s breakfast crew for the month of March, and Salvation Army food donations for February were estimated at a value of \$4,000. An anonymous donor gave \$50,000 to MVPC for local missions support. The Commission approved receiving grant applications to allocate of the funds over a period of three years. Session approved carryover of the funds to the succeeding budget years until fully allocated.

The Nurture Commission (taking care of our congregation). Summer Vacation Bible School will be July 14-17 with a theme base on Psalm 23. Women’s Ministries will be painting Easter themed rocks to adorn the courtyard area during Easter and will be sponsoring a Women’s Tea on April 25. Men’s Ministry is busy with Tuesday Bible studies and the monthly Men’s Breakfast (which donates to Westminster Presbyterian Church food bank). The Commission is evaluating the recent survey regarding the Book Store.

The Gather Commission (taking care of gatherings in large and small groups) is looking for additional assistance for opening and setting up the Church on Sunday mornings.

Stewardship Commission (being good managers of time, talents, and treasures) reported that the low water flow issues in the Fellowship Hall restrooms have been resolved and that a larger storage tank was added to the reverse osmosis system serving the kitchen. Commissions and committees are encouraged to begin preparing budgets for the 2026-2027 fiscal year.

Elders Karen Stokes, Laura Martin, Karla Canfield, and Chris Kirschman and Pastor David reported on the Spring meeting of the Nevada Presbytery held March 16-18 at Grace Presbyterian’s new facilities. The highlight of the meeting was approval to charter a new Presbyterian church in Las Vegas, Emmanuel Faith Chapel Presbyterian Church. The chartering service will be held on July 11.

The next scheduled Session meeting is on Wednesday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m.



# MEN'S BREAKFAST

Date: May 2  
Time : 9:00 a.m.  
Location: Summit  
Cost: \$20



Join us as we pack  
Homeless Care Packs!



Sunday, May 3rd  
9:30 - 10:00am  
Fellowship Hall



Welcome to MVPC Book Club! Do you love to read and make new friends? Come join us as we discuss the selected book for the month ... The Testament by John Grisham.

We meet in the Chapel here at MVPC on the last Friday of every month from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. This month is scheduled for May 29, 2026. All are most welcome to join us as we discuss the book and form close faith based friendships and insights. Hope to see you there!



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# JUSTUS

(Ministry Supporting Widows)

## CINCO DE MAYO

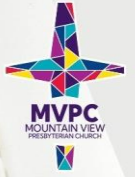
Carolina's Mexican Kitchen

4450 N. Tenaya Way, Unit 155

Tuesday, 5/5/26, 5:30pm

Sign up to have dinner with your Just Us friends.

### 1st Quarter 2026 Giving Statements



MVPC Giving Statements for the period ending Mar. 31, 2026 were emailed this week.

Email the Church Accountant at [accountant@mviewpc.org](mailto:accountant@mviewpc.org) if you need a copy.

Thank you for your continued faithful giving!

## "Honoring the Fallen"

### Memorial Weekend Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, May 23

8:00am

Fellowship Hall

All are welcome!



Free-will offering will be accepted.

## Our Vision

**LOVE**  
God

**LOVE**  
People

**KNOW**  
God

**KNOW**  
People

**SERVE**  
God

**SERVE**  
People

**It's what we do!**

# LAUGH OFTEN & FEAR NOT!



Michael Vanderwerf – May 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 Jean Athens – May 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Greg Darling – May 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Patricia Keller – May 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Carole Paul – May 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Sasha Wherry – May 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Susan Pallishusky – May 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Mark Johnson – May 7<sup>th</sup>  
 Doug Ramseth – May 7<sup>th</sup>



# This Week's Events

## Sun., May 3

8:00 a.m. Blood Pressure Screening, CH  
 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship, SC  
 9:30 a.m. Homeless Care Packs, FH  
 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, SC  
 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting, CH

## Mon., May 4

9:00 a.m. Quilters, FH  
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, CH  
 4:00 p.m. Worship Committee, FH  
 7:00 p.m. Gamblers Anon., CH

## Tues., May 5

9:45 a.m. Women's Bible Study, FH  
 11:30 a.m. Divine Dealing, FH  
 5:30 p.m. Narcotics Anon., CH  
 5:30 p.m. Just Us Dinner  
 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study, FH  
 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study, CH

## Wed., May 6

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study, FH  
 3:00 p.m. Christian Ed Meeting, Mark  
 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir, CH  
 7:00 p.m. Choir, SC  
 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting, FH

## Thurs., May 7

5:00 p.m. Redeemed Worship Rehearsal, SC  
 6:30 p.m. Compassionate Friends, FH  
 7:00 p.m. Al Anon, Esther

## Fri., May 8

2:00 p.m. Knitting Group, FH

## Sat., May 9

11:00 a.m. Bruce Freeman Memorial, SC  
 5:00 p.m. AA Meeting, FH



Messenger articles and Sunday announcement requests are due in the Church office by **Wednesday** at **noon** each week! Thank you for your cooperation!

# LET THE PEOPLE PRAY

Pray without Ceasing. (1 Thessalonians 5:17)

## Our Members

- The Warren Family
- The Washburn Family
- Yvonne Wayland
- Dottie Webber
- Michele Weber
- The Wherry Family
- The Whittemore Family
- Bob Williams

## Our World

- People of Romania
- London Jewish community
- Iran conflict

## Our Nation

- AI technology
- New Orleans police department
- Energy prices

## Our City

- Tourism
- Bicycle Safety
- Human Trafficking awareness

## Our Congregation

Gene Braden, Janet Jones  
Pat Malfara, Glenn and Linda Moses,  
Debra Pick

- Elders: Paul Curatolo
- Deacons: Anne Lawton,  
Jo Ellen Lewis

## Our Churches

1. Henderson Church of Christ
2. International Church LV
3. Empowered Life Church

## Other Prayer Concerns...

Marion Arciaga

