

Stewardship Moment

When my wife and I decided to marry, my soon-to-be mother-in-law, the daughter of a Presbyterian minister, gave me a pendant on a chain. On one side of the pendant was the seal of the Presbyterian Church (USA), and on the other side was an inscription of four simple words: "Presbyterians, People Who Care."

As I think about the MVPC family, I see living proof of that inscription. We care about learning and sharing the word of Jesus Christ, as shown in our worship, our Christian Education, our Bible study programs, and other programs in our church making us a "7 day a week church."

We care for each other, as shown through the work of our Deacons, home communion teams, fellowship team, healthcare team and the willingness of so many of you to provide help, transportation, visitation and meals for other members.

We care about our community, as shown in our programs to support food banks, to assist the homeless, to help educate children and to make our facilities available for outside groups such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Gamblers Anonymous, and Compassionate Friends.

We care for others around the world through our mission giving, Presbyterian Disaster Relief, and our support of the annual offering programs sponsored by the Presbyterian Church.

And while much of the caring is done through the generous gifts of your time and talents, the truth, indeed the great reality of organized religion, is that much of the caring is done through the collective gifts of our money. So, thank you, MVPC family, for your strong and faithful support. Year after year, you step up and fund the work, programs and outreach of our church.

If you have not already done so, please take time to prayerfully consider making a pledge to MVPC for 2027. If you do not have a pledge card, they are available at the Church office.

I love the quote: "If you want to make a difference in someone's life, you do not need to be gorgeous, rich, famous, brilliant, or perfect. You just have to care."

We are people who care. Thank you for your caring generosity that makes a difference in so many lives.

Jeff Patterson, Clerk of Session



MVPC
MOUNTAIN VIEW
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Laugh Often And Fear Not!

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

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8a-5p M-Th
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Family Ministry News

Youth Group –



Youth Group Nov. 15th at 4:00 p.m.

Children -
Sunday School Nov. 15th during the second service.

U50s/adults.
Young Adult worship and game night, Nov. 20th
At 6 p.m. Regular meeting Nov. 22nd at 12:30 p.m.



Powered by pizza and prayer!
CJK, III 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 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

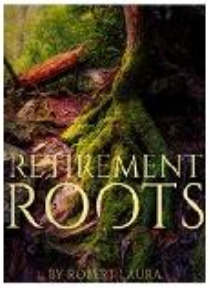




RightNow Media is a free service offered to MVPC/Guests/Friends. You will have exclusive access to hundreds of Bible studies and topical videos led by world-class teachers along with a multitude of Christian-based videos for your family to enjoy.

It's easy to sign up, email Tami Samek, Ministry Coordinator at Tami@mviewpc.org and she will set you up and you can start accessing great Bible-based studies/videos today! Happy Thanksgiving!

Retirement Roots



What Does The Bible Say About Retirement? It's a question that doesn't often come up in traditional retirement planning, but scripture not only mentions retirement, but it overflows with wisdom, ideas, and characters of the Bible that can be used to help people make a successful transition from work life to home life.

In this study, author and nationally recognized retirement expert Robert Laura has flipped the secular view of retirement upside down and guides people away from what is often portrayed as a self-centered time to a God centered time.

As part of the interactive and engaging process, he helps people to not only strengthen their relationship with the Lord, but to also use Scripture that help replace their work identity, fill their time, stay relevant and connected, as well as mentally and physically active.

The content is thoughtfully designed to reach people at every level of faith by providing participants with Biblical perspective on creating clarity, purpose and direction in this next phase of life. It's also ideal for seekers and those looking to renew their relationship with Jesus Christ.

The reality is, retirement is portrayed as life's ultimate goal and sign of freedom, but it's not! Getting into heaven is… and that's a powerful reality we don't want anyone to regret or realize too late. Now is the time to re-envision retirement in terms of salvation and saving grace rather than personal savings.

The Missing Messiah



What if your Jesus is shaped more by culture than by Scripture? There's no shortage of ways to fill the minutes of our days—from doomscrolling to binge-watching TV to playing video games. But will you find what you are really looking for on a screen? There's something missing in our lives, and we all feel it.

In our instant world, Jesus has been ignored, forgotten, and reduced. He's a life coach dedicated to our success, a therapist for our anxiety, a political ally for our causes, or a genie for our desires. In the process, we overlook the only one who can rescue us from ourselves.

If Jesus walked into the room right now, would you recognize him?

In this six-session companion to the book The Missing Messiah, you will:

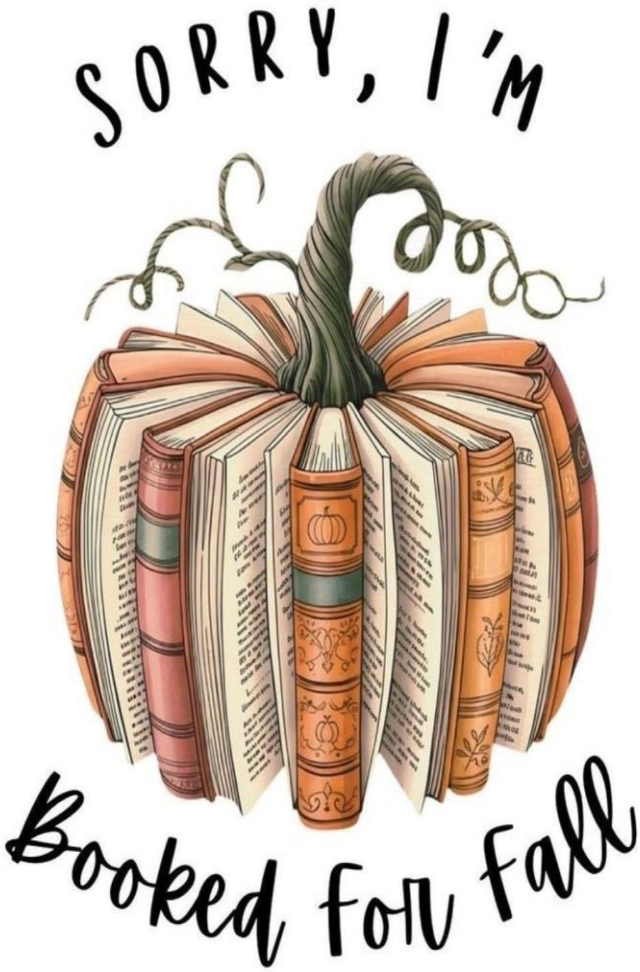
- grow in your conviction of who Jesus is and what he'll do in your life
- cut through the cultural chaos and live the life Jesus promised
- move from a transactional relationship with Jesus to a deep and intimate one
- trace the prophecies around the Messiah through Scripture, uncovering the authentic identity of Christ
- ground your life on the truth that can empower and transform

The Missing Messiah is your breakthrough to fully experience Jesus not merely as savior but as King—penetrating every depth and breadth of your life.



GriefShare – "Surviving The Holidays"
Thursday, November 19, 2026
1:00pm – 3:00pm | MVPC Chapel
Sign-up in the Narthex





Do you love to read and make new friends? Come join us as we discuss the selected book for the month of November 2026, The Correspondent by Virginia Evans

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 November 27, 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!

October 2026 Session Meetings Highlights

The Deacons reported that Barb Maletsky will become the new Deacon Moderator beginning January 1, 2027. Cheryl Hodges accepted the position of Deacon Neighborhood Group coordinator. The Deacons sponsored a Fire Safety and Fall Prevention program on October 8. The annual Service of Solace will be on December 6.

Clerk Jeff Patterson reported that the Nevada Presbytery completed review of MVPC's records of Session and congregational meetings for 2025.

Jim Camburn provided Session an overview of MVPC's insurance coverage for 2027, including explanations of insurance on the buildings and improvements, liability coverage, coverage for the van and workers' compensation.

Pastor David scheduled Sunday, December 13 for opening the time capsule prepared in 2001 at the dedication of the church expansion which included adding fellowship hall and the education wing. The Narthex has a new television which provides closed captioning during services for anyone with hearing difficulties. Pastor David and architect Ellen Cook had a very positive meeting with eth Sun City Association Board to review plans and concepts for the plaza/playground project.

The Magnify Commission (matters relating to worship). The Commission is looking for additional volunteers to serve as ushers. The Ministry Mixer resulted in two new members to the Bell Choir. Jill Thompson will be taking over from Nancy Amato coordinating distribution of Sunday morning Sanctuary flowers. Advent devotionals will be available on November 29. Decorating for Advent and Christmas will take place on Sunday, November 22.

The Serve Commission (serving others outside of MVPC). Elder Laura Martin provided a report from the Nevada Presbytery Mission Outreach Committee which met during the fall Presbytery meeting. Plans are in the works for upcoming mission trips to Nicaragua and Maui. Twelve dogs received pet blessings at the Church Picnic on October 18. Mission Outreach reported grants to Family Promise, Westminster Food Bank, Olive Crest and Club Christ totaling $27,500 from the $50,000 mission gift. Salvation Army donations for October were $5,000. Men's breakfast donations for September were $1,001 and for October $900 (supporting Westminster Presbyterian Food Bank).

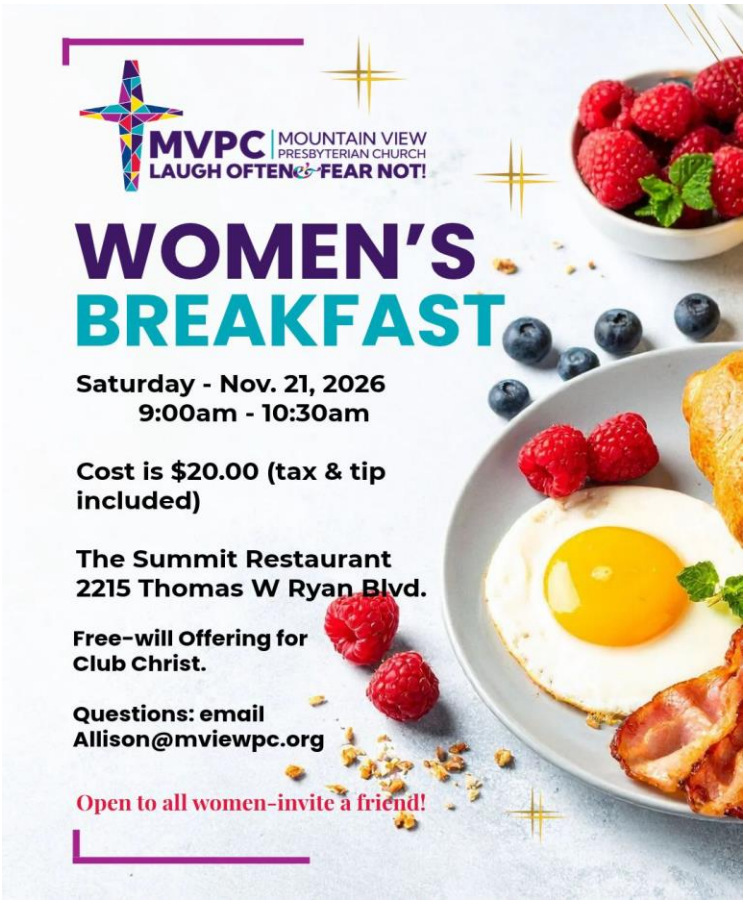
The Nurture Commission (taking care of our congregation). A confirmation class will start in early 2027. The Health Ministry, led by Del Heiss, AED defibrillator and CPR training for Saturday, October 10, had 10 participants. Sunday School continues studying the Fruits of the Spirit, Youth continue the study on prayer, Young Adults are studying 1Thessalonians to be followed by the Book of Titus. Women's Christmas Brunch will be on December 5. Just Us widow's ministry is planning a trip to the Bellagio Conservatory.

The Gather Commission (taking care of gatherings in large and small groups) is looking for volunteers to help with clean up following the second service on Sunday mornings.

Stewardship Commission (being good managers of time, talents, and treasures). The winning bid replacement of the solar power system inverters came in at $32,900. MVPC received a bid for a new copier at a reduction of $170 per month compared to current copier service.

The next scheduled Session meeting is on Wednesday, December 9 at 7:00 p.m., which will serve as the November and December meetings.









GriefShare meets Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the MVPC Chapel.

All are Welcome to attend.



New Members

L to R Back Row: Andrew Rusinko, Antoine King, Marion Burkett, Gail Berg and A'jie Oram

L to R Front Row: Addison, Alisha, Ava and Andy Rusinko, Julie Lashua, Ilene Trenary

Missing: Diane Jack, Caryl Keyloun and Karen Lurie

Welcome





Member Anniversaries

As part of celebrating life at MVPC, we like to recognize "milestone" anniversaries of members joining MVPC during the month of November 2026.

10 years

Gary & Sharon Brink

Jean Fandrich

Bernice Foreit

Luay & Selenia Ghadhban

Dean Grassick

Chris & Sara Kirschman

Lois Letizia

Phil & Mari Pupanek

Thank you all for your steadfast membership and support of MVPC.

Jeff Patterson, Clerk of Session

Our Vision

LOVE
God

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KNOW
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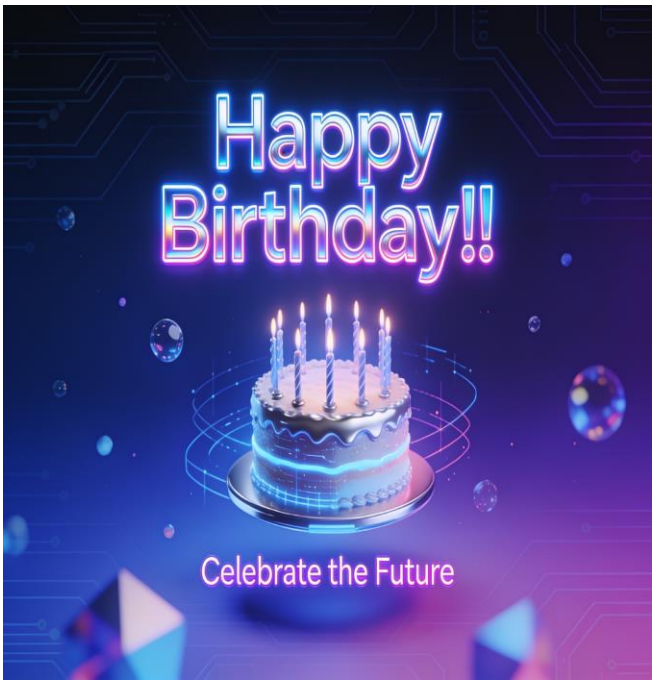
KNOW
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SERVE
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It's what we do!

LAUGH OFTEN & FEAR NOT!



Bernie Wherry – Nov. 14th
Emily Darling – Nov. 17th
Ellen Whittemore – Nov. 17th
Katherine Forred – Nov. 18th
Patricia Matawitz – Nov. 18th
Victoria Worrell – Nov. 20th



This Week's Events

Sun., Nov. 8

8:30 a.m.	**Traditional Worship,** SC
9:45 a.m.	**Pet Ministry,** Esther
10:30 a.m.	**Contemporary Worship,** SC
1:00 p.m.	**U5O's,** Mark
4:00 p.m.	**Youth Group,** FH
7:00 p.m.	**AA Meeting,** CH

Mon., Nov. 9

9:00 a.m.	**Quilters,** FH
10:00 a.m.	**Staff Meeting,** CH
3:00 p.m.	**Just Us Team Meeting,** CH
4:30 p.m.	**Women's Ministry Meeting,** CH
6:00 p.m.	**Mission Committee,** FH
6:00 p.m.	**Divorce Care,** Esther
7:00 p.m.	**Gamblers Anon.,** CH

Tues., Nov. 10

9:45 a.m.	**Women's Bible Study,** FH
11:30 a.m.	**Divine Dealing,** FH
1:00 p.m.	**Griefshare,** CH
5:30 p.m.	**Narcotics Anon.,** CH
7:00 p.m.	**Men's Bible Study,** CH
7:00 p.m.	**Women's Bible Study,** FH

Wed., Nov. 11 **Veterans Day**

10:00 a.m.	**Pastor's Bible Study,** FH
5:00 p.m.	**Bell Choir,** CH
6:00 p.m.	**Health Ministry,** Mark
7:00 p.m.	**Choir,** SC
7:00 p.m.	**AA Meeting,** FH

Thurs., Nov. 12

4:30 p.m.	**Stephen Ministry,** Mark
5:00 p.m.	**Redeemed Worship Rehearsal,** SC
6:30 p.m.	**Compassionate Friends,** FH
7:00 p.m.	**Al Anon,** Esther

Fri., Nov. 13

Sat., Nov. 14

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 Pierson Family
- Steve and Sara Pierson
- The Plinski Family
- The Pollock Family
- Bill Price
- The Pupanek Family
- Georgia Purpura
- The Ramseth Family

Our City

- RTC Bus safety
- The Animal Foundation
- Affordable housing

Our Churches

1. Life Change Ministries
2. Mountain View Lutheran Church
3. St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

Other Prayer Concerns…

Marji Bleam

Our World

- People of Turkey
- Middle East Tensions
- Spain protests

Our Nation

- NY Building Collapse victims
- DC Shooting victims
- Final election results

Our Congregation

Emmett Shelton

- Elders: Al Youmans
- Deacons: Melody Edwards-Becker, Alane Ehrhardt

