

Weekly Messenger 03-29-2024

It's Friday...

Renowned evangelist Tony Campolo told of a time he was asked to speak at a black church on Good Friday in Philadelphia. When it was his time to preach, he got up and gave his sermon. He recalled that he was really fired up and when he was through, he took his seat by the old black pastor and gave him a smug smile as if to say, "beat that one brother."

The old white-headed man smiled back at him and patted him on the knee as if to say, "that was good, but you just listen to the old master." He came up to the podium and slowly and in a quiet voice began.

"It's Friday - Jesus is praying - Peter's a sleeping - Judas is betraying - But Sunday's comin. It's Friday - Pilate's struggling - The council is conspiring - The crowd is vilifying - They don't even know - That Sunday's comin.

It's Friday - The disciples are running like sheep without a shepherd - Mary's crying - Peter is denying - but they don't know - That Sunday's a comin.

The old pastor raises his voice a little and picks up a little speed.

It's Friday - The Romans beat my Jesus - They robe Him in scarlet - They crown Him with thorns - But they don't know - That Sunday's comin.

It's Friday - See Jesus walking to Calvary - His blood dripping - His body stumbling - And His spirit's burdened - But you see, it's only Friday - Sunday's comin.

It's Friday - The world's winning - People are sinning - And evil's grinning.

The pastor is raising his voice, and the crowd participates.

It's Friday, (they say) The soldiers nail my Savior's hands to the cross - They nail my Savior's feet to the cross - And then they raise him up- Next to criminals.

"It's Friday" - But let me tell you something" The congregation shouts, "Sunday's comin."

It's Friday - The disciples are questioning - What has happened to their King - And the Pharisees are celebrating - That their scheming has been achieved - But they don't know - It's only Friday - Sunday's comin'

It's Friday - He's hanging on the cross - Feeling forsaken by His Father - Left alone and dying - Can nobody save Him?

It's Friday - But Sunday's comin'

It's Friday - The earth trembles - The sky grows dark - My King yields His spirit.

It's Friday - Hope is lost - Death has won - Sin has conquered - and Satan's just a laughin'

It's Friday - Jesus is buried - A soldier stands guard - And a rock is rolled into place - But it's Friday - It is only Friday."

Sunday is a comin"



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

Email: mvpc@mviewpc.org
Website: mviewpc.org

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8a-5p M-Th
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Family Ministry News

Youth Group –
No Youth Group this Sunday.

Children -
No Sunday School this week. Nursery is available at all 3 services.

U50s/adults.
Our next meeting will be this Sunday Apr. 14th at 12:30 p.m.

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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 caption.

The Easter Bunny has hopped in the bookstore/gift shop and brightened the store. The gift that was so successful in the store at Christmas time has influenced what we have purchased for Easter, come in and see. Highlighted this Easter time are the Children's books. As always, our small profit goes to Missions.



The Dementia Support group will meet Wed, Apr. 10th at 11:15 a.m. in the Chapel.

We invite you to come to a safe/confidential place to learn more about living on the journey of Dementia of any kind.

The group is moderated by Paula Anderson. For more information call the Church Office.

Dementia Support For Caregivers



Hoving Home

WALK *for* HOPE

Saturday, April 13th, 2024

8:30am

4641 Corral Place
Las Vegas, NV 89119



Walk with us and support women on their journeys to hope & freedom!
Register for your exclusive 2024 T-shirt, delicious food, & raffle opportunities.
Hear firsthand how God is transforming lives in our Las Vegas community.

hovinghome.org/walk

Adults: \$40
Kids(8-15): \$20

Scan here! →



GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences.

When someone you love dies, it's common to feel isolated. In **GriefShare**, you'll find that you are not alone, that there are others who understand what you are going through. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone.

GriefShare meets on Tuesday's at 1:00 p.m. The group meets in the Chapel. First session focuses on Loss of a Spouse. The remaining 13 weeks provide help and healing for the hurt of losing a family member or friend.

Registration available online at www.mviewpc.org or call the Church Office at 702-341-7800.



"He is not here" (Luke 24.6) and "We are not here" ...

Bean Redeemed Coffee Shop and **LOAFN Bookstore** will be closed **Easter** Sunday.

Both will reopen the following Sunday, April 7th. Thank you for your patronage and Happy Easter!



We need volunteers to serve in the coffee shop on Sunday mornings before and after Worship Services.

Training is provided. It's a great way to meet people and work with other fabulous MVPC Volunteers!

Become a **Bean Redeemed Barista** serving fantastic cappuccinos, lattes, and seasonal specials! Proceeds from the coffee shop support Christian Education.

If you are interested, stop by the Coffee Shop on Sunday morning or email Chris Kirschman at Chris@mviewpc.org. Sign up in the Narthex!

Easter Photo Booth will be available!



Stop by in the Narthex and take a photo in your Easter outfits.
Share your pictures on the MVPC Facebook page!





RightNow Media is a free service offered to MVPC members/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.

You can now invite friends to watch with you as a "Virtual Group" and discuss the video using on-line chat. The only requirement is each participant must have a RightNow Media account login.

It's easy to sign up for RightNow Media! Email Tami Samek, Ministry Coordinator at Tami@mvewpc.org and she will set you up and you can start accessing great Bible-based studies/videos today!

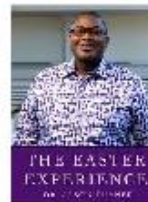
GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER

In these sessions from The Gospel of Mark, Francis Chan teaches on Jesus's death and resurrection and challenges us to consider how to live our lives in light of his sacrifice and victory over death.



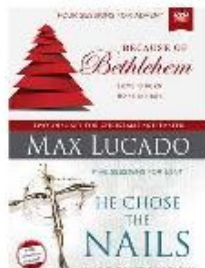
THE EASTER EXPERIENCE

There is no doubt, that life can be a roller coaster of experiences and emotions which the Gospel of Luke shares the emotions, of two wondering Disciples who felt disappointed in what they had seen and witnessed.



An emotional rollercoaster awaits the despairing disciples as news travels from the empty tomb to two retreating disciples headed from Jerusalem to Emmaus. The two disciples have an encounter with Jesus, that is not only life changing but leaves them understanding that no matter what life brings us, Jesus is always right beside us.

HE CHOSE THE NAILS



In He Chose the Nails, a five-session video Bible study, Max continues by examining the gifts that Christ gave at his crucifixion. These include not only the

gift of the cross, but also the gift of the nails, and the empty tomb. The cross is rich with God's gifts of grace, and as we unwrap them, we will hear him whisper, "I did it just for you."



HOLY WEEK PILGRIMAGE

ICoHS offers a virtual **Holy Week Pilgrimage** to people, who like to visit the Holy Land during the Easter season, but due to travel restrictions from the past pandemic are not able to do so.

The virtual pilgrimage is hosted by the Rt. Revd. Dr. Graham Tomlin, Bishop of Kensington, London, UK and consists of 9 short Bible reflections on the following topics:

- Blind Bartimaeus – Jericho
- Palm Sunday - Mount of Olives
- Cleansing the Temple - Temple Mount
- The Last Supper - The Upper Room (Cenacle)
- The Agony - Garden of Gethsemane itself
- Jesus under arrest - Caiaphas' House
- The Cross - Holy Sepulchre – Golgotha
- Holy Saturday - Garden Tomb
- Resurrection - Holy Sepulchre – the Anastasis

SEEDS OF EASTER (Family)

There are thousands of ways that your family can be distracted away from the true meaning of Easter.

We believe this Seeds of Easter music and videos will help prepare your family's heart to focus on Jesus death and resurrection.

We believe the music/videos to word-for-word scripture will help your family go deeper with Jesus this Easter season.



HOLY MOLY EASTER STORY (Kids)

Each episode in the Holy Moly Easter Story Collection helps kids explore more of the amazing story of Jesus' death and resurrection. In addition to "Jesus Enters Jerusalem" and "The Last Supper" this volume includes episodes covering "Jesus and the Cross" and "The Empty Tomb." The imaginative visuals and humorous sound effects give kids the opportunity to retell the story in their own words and bring the Bible to life like never before.

March 2024 Session Meetings Highlights

The Deacon Bereavement Team assisted with the memorial service for Ronnilou Kordick on March 22 and Paul Shore on March 23. The annual Meet Your Deacon Sunday will be April 14.

Pastor David reported that MVPC received a donation of \$89,000.00 from a member desiring to remain anonymous. Holy Week services will include Maundy Thursday on March 28 at 7:00 p.m., Good Friday on March 29 at noon and 7:00 p.m., and Easter on March 31 at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Job descriptions for staff will be reviewed as part of the budget process for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Session discussed the importance of maintaining MVPC's facilities as they age and maintaining appropriate reserves to meet those needs.

The Magnify Commission (matters relating to worship) reported that the Sanctuary will be decorated for Holy Week. The Commission is also looking at replacing older banners used in the Sanctuary. A new church photographer will be needed as Cathy Linss is moving to Texas in June.

The Serve Commission (serving others outside of MVPC) reported that the Mission Committee assisted with the luncheon for the Hoving Home choir on March 17. The Honduras mission trip is scheduled for May 25-June 1 with six people going.

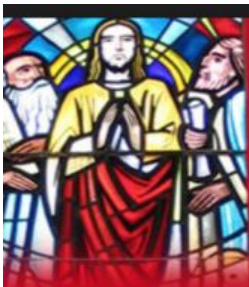
The Nurture Commission (taking care of our congregation) reported that Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June and the curriculum has been ordered. The Youth Group mission focus this year will be local day trips serving various ministries in the Las Vegas area. A number of youth will be attending the Presbyterian summer camp at Calvin Crest near Yosemite National Park.

The Gather Commission (taking care of gathering in groups large and small) reported that the Dinner for Six and Dinner for Eight groups are set. Elder Renny Fransz is preparing a training class for people working in and using the kitchen.

Stewardship Commission (being good managers of time, talents, and treasures). Elder George Gray discussed various budget items for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, hoping to have a budget for approval at the May Session meeting. An inspection of MVPC facilities by the Fire Marshall found 24 violations, including the necessity to replace all exit signs in the building. Session approved the \$1,900.00 bid for the work. Several items will require contractor bids to repair and a number of items can be repaired by facilities manager Mark Washburn.

Pastor David and Elders Chris Kirschman, Dian Ward and Dennis Bunce reported on the Spring Presbytery meeting held at Green Valley Presbyterian Church on March 11-13. The Presbytery approved commissioned ruling elder training for Gary Wall. Upon Gary's completion of training, MVPC will have three commissioned ruling elders: Chris Kirschman, Dennis Bunce and Gary Wall.

The next Session meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.



Session

PET MINISTRY



The MVPC Pet Ministry is working to provide Poppy's cat hospice center newspapers for animal bedding.

Thanks so much to those who bring in their old papers!

With 75 cats currently in hospice care, there is also great demand for wet cat food.

If you feel the need to donate, you can deposit the canned food in the same bin used for newspaper collection located by the church office. Thank you!

The Alzheimer's and Dementia Journey

An educational series presented by the Alzheimer's Association

Join us for this free, educational series discussing important topics such as the signs of Alzheimer's, the differences between Alzheimer's and dementia, the different stages, strategies for how to best communicate with our loved ones at each stage and more.

Dates: April 2, 9 & 16
Time: 10:00am-11:00am

Location:
In the Chapel at
Mountain View Presbyterian Church
8601 Del Webb Blvd
Las Vegas, NV 89134



10 WARNING SIGNS

TUESDAY, APRIL 2 | 10:00AM TO 11:00AM

Learn the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's disease, hear from people who have the disease, and find out how to recognize the signs in yourself and others.

UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA TUESDAY, APRIL 9 | 10:00AM TO 11:00AM

Alzheimer's disease is not a normal part of aging. Learn about the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, stages, risk factors, and more.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES TUESDAY, APRIL 16 | 10:00AM TO 11:00AM

Teaches Caregivers to decode verbal and behavioral communication by someone with Alzheimer's and other dementias. Participants leave with strategies for meaningful connection with people in early, middle and late stage dementia.

FACILITATED WITH:



Women's Ministry

Paula Anderson,
Community Educator
Alzheimer's Association

Sign up sheet located in the Narthex

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION®



LUNCH BUNCH

April 16th @ Noon

Buca di Beppo Italian Restaurant

Our next Lunch Bunch will be on Tuesday, April 16th at Buca di Beppo Italian Restaurant. It is located at 7690 W. Lake Mead Blvd. We will meet at Noon in the Eggplant themed dining room. The restaurant is known for family style dining; however, the lunch menu has smaller portions. The salads along with the entrees range from \$14 to \$16. Check out the menu: [Dinner Menu | Buca di Beppo](#) Sign up in the Narthex. Mark your calendars, hopefully we will see you there!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY PRESENTS

BALANCE & FALL PREVENTION SEMINAR

SATURDAY, APRIL 13 @ 9 A.M. - CHAPEL

Ready, Set, Balance: Tired of being unsteady on your feet? Join us for this seminar taught by our very own Julie Dendy, PT to learn ways to stay balanced and avoid falls.

Come early and get your blood pressure checked. BP checks will be conducted between 9:00am and 9:30am.

All are welcome!

Register in the Narthex or at mviewpc.org.



FALL PREVENTION
AWARENESS OF
RISK FACTORS &
ASSESSMENT

IMPROVING
BALANCE

REGULAR EXERCISE

HOME SAFETY

FALL RECOVERY

SPEAKERS
JULIE DENDY, PT
CHRIS PEREZ, PT
BRAD SMITH



DivorceCare's life-changing support groups welcome people and guide them on the path of recovery after separation or divorce. Over 1 million people have found comfort and hope through this 13-week, video-based series.

Group will meet on Monday's at 6:30pm in the Esther Room (2nd floor-Fellowship Hall).

You can **register online** at www.divorcecare.com.

DivorceCare Leaders Bill and Susan Lietzke understand how you're feeling and what you're struggling with—because they have faced similar challenges. Everyone's story is different, and you'll be accepted right where you are, in a safe place.



FELLOWSHIP TEAM SERVING OPPORTUNITY

We need help Sunday morning before and after Worship Service.

Can you volunteer **once a month** for **30 min.**?

8:00am to 8:30am to set up coffee hour
— or —

Noon to 12:30pm for coffee hour clean-up

Would you be interested in baking cookies in our fabulous new oven once a month?

If you have questions, stop by the Kitchen on Sunday morning, and talk to Tammy Roth or Renny Franz.

You can sign up to Serve in the Narthex.



8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.



New WiFi
Network:
MVPC_Guest

Password:
MtnViewPC

Our Vision

God

People



It's What We Do!!

**Laugh Often
and
Fear Not!**



Margaret Pollock – Mar. 30th
 Theodore Chance – Mar. 31st
 Melody Edwards-Becker – Mar. 31st
 Elaine Geeting – Mar. 31st
 Verla Kramer – Mar. 31st
 Tony Borski – Apr. 3rd
 Roberta Hatfield – Apr. 3rd
 Pat Malfara – Apr. 3rd
 Julie Dendy – Apr. 5th

This Week's Events

Sun., Mar. 31

8:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

Mon., Apr. 1

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Tues., Apr. 2

10:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Wed., Apr. 3

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Thurs., Apr. 4

9:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Fri., Apr. 5

2:00 p.m.

Sat., Apr. 6

9:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday

Easter Worship, SC

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Reformed Church Meeting, FH

Office Closed

Divorce Care, Esther

Gamblers Anon., CH

Dementia Seminars, CH

Griefshare, CH

Narcotics Anon., CH

Women's Bible Study, FH

Men's Bible Study, CH

Pastor's Bible Study, FH

Christian Education Meeting, Mark

Bells, CH

AA Meeting, FH

Choir, SC

Stephen Ministry Training, CH

Redeemed Worship Team, SC

Compassionate Friends, FH

AL Anon, FH

Knitting, FH

Men's Breakfast, Summit

AA Meeting, FH

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men's breakfast will meet on Saturday
 April 6, 2024. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. at
 the Summit Restaurant,
 2215 Thomas W. Ryan Blvd.

Cost is \$16.00 for all breakfasts.
 (This includes tip and tax)

Get our church app

MVPC-Las Vegas

from

Google Play Store or Apple iTunes



On Sunday mornings, check in with Facebook
 and tell your friends you're here.

**SORRY WE'LL BE
 CLOSED!**

The Church office
 will be closed on
 Mon. Apr. 1st.



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 McCloskey Family
- Jane McConnell
- The McCormick Family
- The Meola Family
- The Mickelson Family
- Lee Miesner
- Betty Miller
- Dawn Mintun

Our World

- People of Israel
- Haiti gang violence
- Congo displacements

Our Nation

- Baltimore Bridge Collapse victims
- Illinois stabbing victims
- Family of Officer Jonathan Diller

Our City

- CCSD campus safety
- UNLV Beam Hall reopening
- Traffic safety

Our Churches

1. Redeemer Lutheran Church
2. The Crossing
3. Exodus Christian Church

Our Congregation

Janet Hapner, Janet Jones,
Michele Weber

- Elders: Karla Canfield
- Deacons: Diane LoChirco,
Barbara Maletsky

Other Prayer Concerns...

Sympathy to the family of Ila Cary
Parker Batista
Phillip James Bradford

