

Weekly Messenger 04-12-2024

The Vulnerable

One of the great blessings of being the Missional Strategist here at MVPC is getting to learn about all of the great work being done in Las Vegas and beyond, to meet needs and alleviate suffering in the name of Jesus. So many of these organizations we support are helping those in places of vulnerability. We support programs for the homeless who are vulnerable to the weather, hunger, sickness, and crime. We support families living on the edge of financial collapse, vulnerable to rising inflation and basic cost of living. We support food distribution to those in need, vulnerable to scarcity and hunger. We support programs for women experiencing addiction or abuse, vulnerable to the power of substances or abusers. We support the care for mistreated animals, vulnerable to the cruelty of humans. We support orphanages and schools for those living in extreme poverty, vulnerable to exploitation and neglect. What amazing work is being done!

Jesus had a particular concern for the vulnerable of his day – especially women and children. The powerless and neglected receive the dignified attention of the Son of God. Those who are often overlooked are noticed and cared for by our Savior. I'm looking forward Sunday, when we will explore more of Jesus' encounters with vulnerable people. Come prepared to expect the unexpected!

See you Sunday!

Gary



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

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Family Ministry News

Youth Group –
Youth Group this Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

Children -
Sunday School this week.

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.

Baseball Sunday! **April 21, 2024**

Wear your favorite team's jersey to church! High School, College, Minor or Major League.

Stop by Fellowship Hall to enjoy some special treats.



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.



Deacons Corner

Remember to mark your calendar for Sunday, April 14th for the 2024 "Meet Your Deacon Sunday"! You won't want to miss this event, which will be held in Fellowship Hall, after both Sunday services.

The theme this year is "Places You've Called Home". Even if you have met your Deacon, he or she is excited to see you at the event. Watch for your invitation, which will be mailed by your Deacon. The table number, where your Deacon will be located, will be on your invitation.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you



Nursery

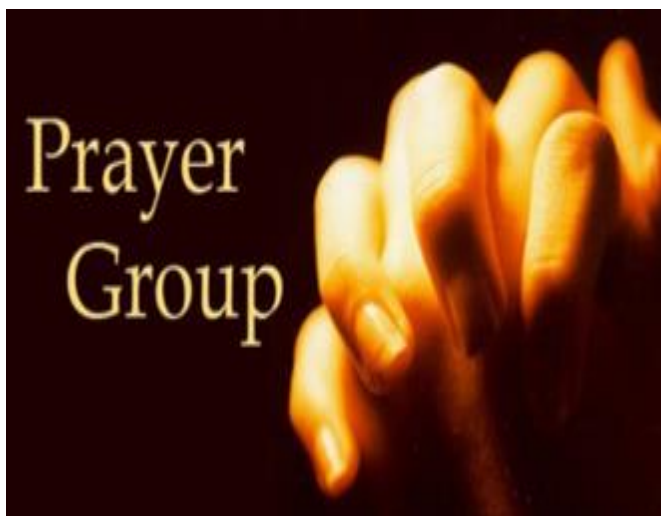
VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!

Can you volunteer for 1 Sunday?

We need Nursery volunteers for 8:30 and 10:30 services on the following dates.

- May 5, 2024
- May 12, 2024
- May 19, 2024

Sign-up in the Narthex on Sunday or email Chris Kirschman at Chris@mviewpc.org Thank you for caring for our littlest ones!



NEW PRAYER GROUP STARTING!

Are you a Prayer Warrior? Do you enjoy praying for others? Interested in learning how to pray?

Don Peterson is leading a new Prayer Group that will meet at 11:00am on Wednesday immediately after Pastor's Bible Study.

Please sign up in the Narthex.



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@mviewpc.org and she will set you up and you can start accessing great Bible-based studies/videos today!

THE PRAYER PRACTICE



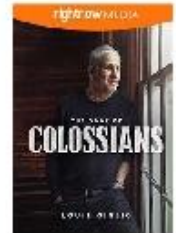
Prayer is simply the medium through which we communicate and commune with God. The practice of prayer is learning to set aside dedicated time to

intentionally be with God in order to become like him and partner with him in the world.

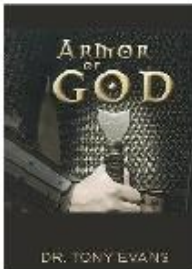
THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS

What we think about Jesus matters. Our perception of Him shapes us — what we say, how we treat others, even what we think. If we paint Jesus as any less than who He is as supreme over all creation and savior of the world, not only does our theology slip, but the working out of our faith also suffers.

In this 8-session series, Louie Giglio will take us through the book of Colossians to help us form a complete picture of Jesus. What we believe about Him influences everything from our corporate worship to our relationships to our attitude toward sin. Now alive in Christ, we can live a life worthy of God instead of falling back into the ways of the world.



THE ARMOR OF GOD



In this in-depth look at God's Word and the spiritual armor He provides, Dr. Tony Evans goes through each piece of the armor of God.

Get well-dressed for warfare as you discover the importance of living life fully prepared for spiritual battle.

THE REAL HEAVEN

Heaven is a hot topic on today's bestseller lists. But what does the Bible tell us about the afterlife? What happens the moment after we die? And what will our redeemed relationships be like? Chip Ingram digs into Scripture to reveal what God wants us to know about the hereafter - and how it affects our decisions today.



UNDERSTANDING YOUR TEEN

Teenagers are growing up in a very different world than even the previous generation. They are in transition between childhood and adulthood. They are seeking autonomy and at the same time still quite dependent on their family. In this seminar course we will explore "Who is that stranger in your house?" and talk about what they are going through in life. We will look at how to be a more effective parent and how to connect with our kids in this important stage in life.

We will look at the issues of:

- Sexuality • Ending the homework hassle • Peer pressure
- Rules and boundaries • Bringing out the best in our teens
- Choosing which battles to fight • Raising teens to be responsible adults

This seminar course won't give you all the answers but will be a wonderful road map to help successfully guide your kids through the rough waters of adolescence. This seminar is perfect for parents of pre-teens, teens, and even young adults.





THE MVPC COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF VETERANS

will meet on April 28, 2024 between services in the room behind the fellowship hall.

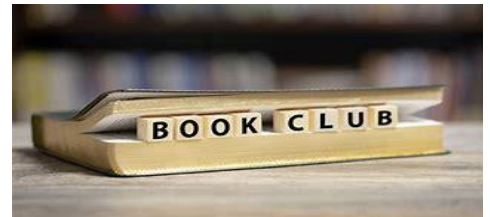
If you are a committee member or new to MVPC and wish to help support MVPC and community veterans, grab some cookies and coffee and join us.

MVPC Book Club

Our group meets monthly, usually the last Friday of each month, at 10:00 a.m., in the Chapel at the Church. We enjoy gathering to catch-up with each other and to discuss the book we've chosen for the month. We welcome any who are interested to join us. Here are the dates and books selected for the next couple meetings.

April 26th **Bel Canto** by Ann Patchett

May 31st **The Violin Conspiracy** by Brendan Slocumb



"A book too, can be a star, explosive material, capable of stirring up endlessly, a living fire to lighten the darkness." Madeleine L'Engle

Happy Reading!

New Ministry – Just Us

1 Timothy 5: 3 tells us to “give proper recognition to those widows who are really in need.” Following God’s word, MVPC hosted a luncheon this week for ladies of the church who have lost their spouses. Discussion surrounded the creation of a new ministry titled “Just Us” where widowed women will call upon Christ and each other in support, service, and fellowship and encouragement (SAFE). If you are a woman who has lost her spouse and would like to join this group of sisters in Christ, contact Allison Gray, Women’s Ministry Director in the church office. Stay tuned for more information about the ministry.





Christy Bernal
Chancel Choir,
Liturgist, Worship
Committee

Christy and her husband, Mario, moved to Las Vegas from Lake View, OR in 2021.

Christy was ordained as an Elder in her previous Presbyterian Church and became a member of MVPC in Oct. 2022.

With her love of singing, Christy quickly became a member of the Chancel Choir. She also serves on the Worship Committee and serves as a Liturgist during worship on Sunday morning.

Thank you, Christy, for sharing your gifts and talents by serving your MVPC family. We appreciate 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®

Women's Ministry Presents

Women's Breakfast

Hear guest speaker Renny Franz tell the story of his mother, Willy Franz, and her experience being a WWII prisoner in Indonesia.



April 20 • 9 am • The Summit Restaurant
2215 Thomas W. Ryan Blvd.

\$16 per person includes food, tax & gratuity.



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! →



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.



MOUNTAIN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

APRIL 21, 2024

THE GREATEST HITS

Jenfani
Presents

SHANE JENSEN

MICHAEL STEFANI

PLAYING SELECTIONS FROM OUR RECENT ALBUMS

SHOW STARTS AT 3 PM

Free Admission

Free will offering will be collected.

MVPC, 8601 Del Webb Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89134

www.mviewpc.org 702-341-7800



Join us for our upcoming
New Members Class!

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Time: 5:00pm to 6:30pm

Location: Chapel

Contact the Church Office or stop at the
Welcome Center on Sunday if you would like
to attend!

Our Vision

God

People



It's What We Do!!

**Laugh Often
and
Fear Not!**



Azusa O'Brien – Apr. 14th
 Bridgette Foster – Apr. 15th
 Julius Trenkler – Apr. 15th
 Rae Narcisse-Bryant – Apr. 16th
 Betty Kingsbury – Apr. 17th
 Diane LoChirco – Apr. 17th
 Susan Wolosz – Apr. 18th
 Deborah Fox – Apr. 19th
 Jane McConnell – Apr. 19th



Homeless Care Pack Assembly Event

April 21st – between services in Fellowship Hall

Come join the fun!

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve..." Mark 10:45

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MVPC-Las Vegas
 from
 Google Play Store or Apple iTunes



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



This Week's Events

Sun., Apr. 14

8:30 a.m.
 9:45 a.m.
 10:30 a.m.
 12:30 p.m.
 1:00 p.m.
 4:30 p.m.

Deacon Sunday

Traditional Worship, SC
 Pet Ministry, Mark
 Contemporary Worship, SC
 USO's, Mark
 Reformed Church Meeting, FH
 Youth Group, FH

Mon., Apr. 15

9:00 a.m.
 10:00 a.m.
 6:30 p.m.
 7:00 p.m.

Quilters, FH
 Staff Meeting, CH
 Divorce Care, Esther
 Gamblers Anon., CH

Tues., Apr. 16

10:00 a.m.
 12:00 p.m.
 1:00 p.m.
 5:30 p.m.
 7:00 p.m.
 7:00 p.m.

Dementia Seminars, CH
 Lunch Bunch, Buca di Beppo
 Griefshare, CH
 Narcotics Anon., CH
 Women's Bible Study, FH
 Men's Bible Study, CH

Wed., Apr. 17

10:00 a.m.
 11:00 a.m.
 5:00 p.m.
 7:00 p.m.
 7:00 p.m.

Pastor's Bible Study, FH
 Prayer Group, SC
 Bells, CH
 AA Meeting, FH
 Choir, SC

Thurs., Apr. 18

9:00 a.m.
 5:00 p.m.
 6:30 p.m.
 7:00 p.m.

Stephen Ministry Training, CH
 Redeemed Worship Team, SC
 Compassionate Friends, FH
 AL Anon, Esther

Fri., Apr. 19

2:00 p.m.

Knitting, FH

Sat., Apr. 20

9:00 a.m.
 11:00 a.m.
 5:00 p.m.

Women's Breakfast, Summit
 Hill Wedding, SC
 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

- Bev Norton
- Azusa O'Brien
- The Owens Family
- Stan Paczosa and Shirley Vasser
- JoAnn Padget
- Susan Pallishusky
- The Patterson Family
- The Paul Family

Our World

- People of South Korea
- Iran tensions
- China-Taiwan tension

Our Nation

- Higher education
- Key bridge reconstruction
- Cicadas invasion

Our City

- Homeless population
- Warmer weather
- Animal rescues

Our Churches

1. Desert Spring United Methodist
2. New Community Church
3. Mount Olive Lutheran Church

Our Congregation

Kathy Gray, Janet Hapner,
Janet Jones, Peg Pollack,
Michele Weber, Bernie Wherry

- Elders: Dave Geeting
- Deacons: Carole Nelson,
Debbie Pick

Other Prayer Concerns...

Sympathy to the family of Linda Szopo
Sympathy to the family of Ila Cary
Alannah Herb
Parker Batista

