Weekly Messenger 06-27-2025

"The Table Is Wide"

In today's fast-paced world, the family dinner table is becoming something of an endangered species. Studies show that the average American family eats together less than three times per week—and often with screens present, if at all. Yet, something sacred happens when we break bread together. We slow down. We connect. We become human again.

In the ancient world, a shared meal wasn't just about food—it was a declaration of acceptance, hospitality, and sometimes even reconciliation. To invite someone to your table was to say, "You matter to me. You belong here."

Jesus understood that.

Throughout the Gospels, He turned meals into ministry. He shared supper with saints and sinners alike. With tax collectors, lepers, Pharisees, and fishermen. He ate with people who were adored—and people who were avoided.

There's something about the table that disarms us. When someone makes your favorite dish or prepares a dessert you love (bonus points if it includes chocolate), it tells you more than words ever could: You are seen. You are wanted. You are loved.

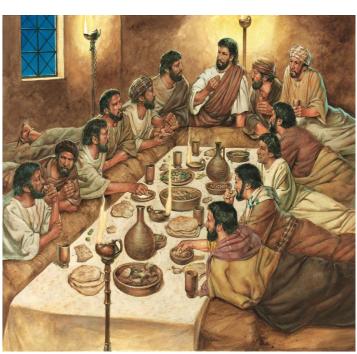
This Sunday, we'll explore one of the most unforgettable dinner scenes in Scripture. Without giving too much away, let's just say the room was tense, the tears were many, and the grace was scandalous.

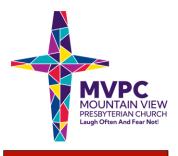
As we gather around our own tables—whether at home or at church—may we remember that the heart of Christ is a heart that makes room. Room for the weary. Room for the broken. Room for the unexpected guest who walks through the door just as dinner is being served.

Because the table of Jesus? It's always set for more.

See you Sunday!

Grace and peace, Laugh often and Fear not! David!





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

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Family Ministry News

Youth Group -

No Youth Group June 29th. We return on July 6th.

Children -

Child-care provided during services. Sunday School @ 10:30am - June 29th

U50s/adults.

Next meeting is July 6th at 1:00 p.m.

Stay Cool! Unlike me! CJK



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





June 2025 Session Meetings Highlights

Our industrious Deacons are already working on projects for the fall and holidays. The Deacons are planning an outreach event for September 23 titled "Decluttering Strategies." The Deacons are looking at marketing opportunities for more community participation in the annual Service of Solace scheduled for December 7.

Pastor David reported the services on Sunday, June 22, with the Rev. Jeanie Shaw from the Synod of the Pacific went very well. The Summer Supper Studies (sponsored by Men's Ministry) kicks off on Tuesday, June 24, with subsequent events on Tuesday, July 22 and Tuesday, August 26. Sunday, June 29 will be themed "Baseball Sunday." The Fuller Spiritual Formation Group held its second training session on June 20 and 21.

The Magnify Commission (matters relating to worship) reported that the gifts presented to men at worship services on Father's Day, June 15, were well received. The Commission is researching a new baptismal font that will remain in the front of the Sanctuary.

The Serve Commission (serving others outside of MVPC) reported that the Dementia Support Group "Healthy Living for the Brain & Body" program on Saturday, June 7 had 22 attendees. The Pet Ministry will assemble pet care bags for the homeless on Sunday, June 29. The Project 150 Father's Day collection of clothes and toiletries was very successful and the collected items have been delivered to Project 150. The new Family Promise facilities have a grand opening scheduled for August 21 with kitchen and pantry facilities being named for deceased MVPC member Ruth Anne Kendy.

The Nurture Commission (taking care of our congregation) reported that Vacation Bible School held on June 10-13 had 42 children attending, including families from Grace Presbyterian Church. The Youth Group mission trip to Loveland, Colorado is scheduled for the end of July with 5 senior youth and 2 counselors currently registered. Women's Ministry sponsored a Technology Workshop on Tuesday, June 17, with 4 youth "tutors" helping to answer questions regarding cell phones and computer devises. A game (Bingo) and potluck night is scheduled for Sunday, July 13. Women's Ministry will sponsor the Summer Pie-Palooza! on Tuesday, July 29 at 2:00 p.m.

The Gather Commission (taking care of gathering in groups large and small) noted that the next 5th Sunday brunch will be Sunday, June 29 to coincide with "Baseball Sunday."

Stewardship Commission (being good managers of time, talents, and treasures). The Finance Committee chair Andrew Patterson presented the proposed 2025-2026 fiscal year budget, which Session approved. Elder Al Youmans reported that the improvements to the exterior lighting at the front of the building facing the corner of Del Webb Boulevard and Sungold Drive have been completed.

MVPC has entered into a contract with Dwyer Engineering to provide cost analysis for the proposed outdoor play area. A congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 29 between worship services for the purpose of approving the terms of call for Pastor David for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

The next Session meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.





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

This Is the Day by Tim Tebow

Have you ever felt stuck?

Sometimes life feels rigid as if nothing could ever really change. Maybe we're afraid of taking a step of faith. Maybe we're too injured from the past to



move forward. Or maybe life threw us a curveball and we still don't know how to react.

No matter where you find yourself, you can make the most of today. In this inspirational series, Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow shares stories from his life to illustrate what it means to seize each day for God's glory. He challenges us to step out in courage because this is the day to act.

Happy Father's Day!

Healing Relationships

We all experience broken relationships in our lives. From short-lived fights with a friend to a decade-long silence between family members, these fractures cause



deep pain in our lives. Whether we've been hurt or hurt someone else, Jesus has provided a powerful pathway to healing through forgiveness and repentance.

While many of us have been told to forgive or repent through gritted teeth and willpower, few of us have been shown how to offer forgiveness or repentance that overflows from our new hearts. Jesus has created us for deep, abiding relationships that not only withstand conflict, but grow stronger through it.

This four-part study guides you through video stories, discussion questions, readings, and reflection on scripture. Join us as we pursue reconciliation, restoration, and healing in our relationships.

Men: Navigating Everything

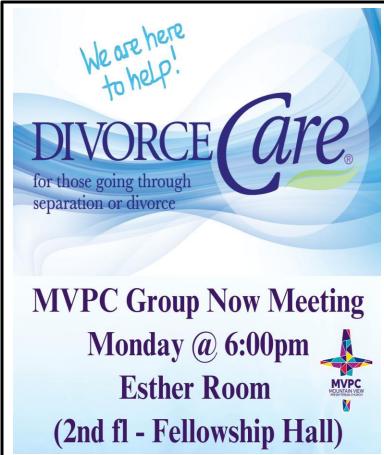
The most popular searches on my YouTube channel are various terms that relate to how to be a better father, husband, or boyfriend. It is evident that the desire to better oneself in this area is of great interest. The next step beyond a desire to grow in this area, is the question of how to achieve this.

I love the quote from Alan Watts, "You're under no obligation to be the same person you were 5 minutes ago". This type of encouragement to grow and change throughout our lives is just the type of motivation we need to take the next step in becoming a better version of ourselves.

Are you ready for an empowering challenge to make improvements in your life? We are all on a journey of self-discovery and I would like to share my 24 years of speaking and leadership experience to help you take the next step in yours. I want to equip and empower you to move towards your best self and give you practical strategies to get there. I will walk you through 8 areas, teaching you how to score yourself in each, with a unique flywheel tool focusing on physical health, mental health, spiritual health, marriage, parenting, sexuality, finances, and loneliness. We will then use the results of this assessment to break down clear and applicable ways to make progress in those areas.

I would love for you to join me in this important discussion, either on your own or with a small group. You'll be glad you took the next step in your journey of self-discovery!













On Sunday, June 29 there will be a brief Congregational Meeting in Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. following the first service to approve the terms of call for Pastor David for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.



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Our Vision

LOVE God

LOVE People

KNOW God

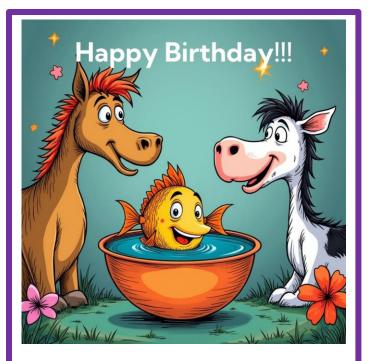
KNOW People

SERVE God

SERVE People

It's what we do!





Beverly Norton – Jun. 28th
Kenzie Kirschman – Jun. 30th
Velvet Arthurs – Jul. 1st
Maggie Conry – Jul. 2nd
Tim Martin – Jul. 2nd



DEADLINE

David and Juel Reitz – Jul. 1st

This Week's Events

Sun., June 29

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship, SC
9:45 a.m. Congregational Meeting, FH
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, SC
1:00 p.m. Grace Presbyterian Church, SC
4:30 p.m. Youth Group, FH

Mon., June 30

9:00 a.m. Quilters, FH
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, CH
6:00 p.m. Divorce Care, Esther
7:00 p.m. Gamblers Anon., CH

Tues., July 110:00 a.m.Divine Dealing, FH5:30 p.m.Narcotics Anon., CH6:00 p.m.Summer Supper Study, FH

Wed., July 212:30 p.m.Grief Support Group, CH4:00 p.m.Christian Ed Meeting, Mark

5:00 p.m. Bell Choir, CH
7:00 p.m. AA Meeting, FH
7:00 p.m. Choir, SC

Thurs., July 3

5:00 p.m. **Redeemed Worship Rehearsal,** SC

7:00 p.m. Al Anon Meeting, FH
Fri., July 4
2:00 p.m. Knitting, FH

Sat., July 5

9:00 a.m. **Men's Breakfast,** Summit

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

- Joan Messineo
- The Mickelson Family
- The Miesner Family
- Betty Miller
- Dawn Mintun
- Kim Mitchell
- Carole Montalto
- Bonnie Moore

Our City

- Nevada National Guard
- Wetlands fire
- The Animal Foundation

Our Churches

- 1. Common Ground Las Vegas
- 2. Laughlin Community Church
- 3. St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church

Other Prayer Concerns...

Sympathy to the Family of Karalynne Schram Sympathy to the Family of Dr. Juana Jordan

Our World

- People of Ukraine
- Kenya Protests
- Taiwan tensions

Our Nation

- U.S. Military service members
- U.S. Supreme Court
- Severe Weather

Our Congregation

Barbara Berry

- Elders: John Meola

- Deacons: Gene Braden,

Nancy Amato

