



Boldness at the Beautiful Gate

Have you ever had a simple plan—a quiet walk, a short errand, a moment of prayer—only to have God completely interrupt your day?

That's what happened to Peter and John in Acts 3. They weren't setting out to perform a miracle. They weren't looking to start a movement. They were just heading to the temple for afternoon prayer.

But God had other plans.

At the Beautiful Gate, they encountered a man who had been lame from birth. He wasn't asking for healing. Just a little spare change. A few coins to make it to tomorrow. But Peter and John didn't have money—and more importantly, they didn't *need* it.

Peter looked at the man and said, *"Silver and gold have I none, but what I do have I give to you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."*

And walk he did.

Actually—he leaped. He danced. He praised. He turned the temple entrance into a worship service and the prayer gathering into a praise party.

What followed was even more astonishing: a bold sermon, religious leaders in a panic, and a fledgling church praying not for safety—but for more courage.

This Sunday at MVPC, we're going to look closely at how one ordinary moment became an extraordinary movement. We'll explore how boldness isn't about having all the answers or all the resources—it's about having Jesus and the willingness to offer Him without hesitation.

Here's your challenge for the week: Where is God calling you to be bold? It might not be in front of a crowd—it might be at your kitchen table, in your workplace, or with a friend who's hurting.

Maybe someone in your life doesn't need your silver or gold. Maybe they just need your time, your prayer, your listening ear—or the reminder that Jesus sees them, loves them, and invites them to rise.

The early church believed that the name of Jesus carried power. That it still does. And when we live with that kind of boldness, the world *can't help* but take notice.

Don't miss this Sunday. The gate is still beautiful. And boldness is still contagious.

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 –
Youth Group Sept. 21st 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Children -
Child-care provided during services.
Sunday School @ 10:30am – Sept. 21st

U50s/adults.
Next meeting is Sept. 28th at 12:30 p.m.

Have a Great Autumn!!
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



Come Help us assemble
Homeless Care packs
following 1st service on
Sept. 28th in Fellowship Hall.

August 2025 Session Meetings Highlights

The Deacons did not meet in August but are working on projects for the fall and holidays, including the “Decluttering Strategies” event in September 23 and the annual Service of Solace scheduled for December 7.

Pastor David noted that the Nevada Presbytery will have its fall meeting September 9-10 at the Zephyr Point Conference Center, Lake Tahoe. Karla Canfield, Dian Ward, and Larua Martin are MVPC’s commissioners to the Nevada Presbytery for 2025. Pledge Sunday will be November 2. The fall sermon series will focus on the Book of Acts, with the Men’s and Women’s Bible Studies and Sunday School concurrently studying the Book of Acts. Grace Presbyterian Church reported that the construction on its new building appears to be on schedule for completion in November. Grace continues to enjoy using MVPC’s facilities for its worship services.

The Magnify Commission (matters relating to worship) reported that training for new and returning ushers and greeters will be held on September 14. Grief Share will begin monthly meetings starting September 16. The choirs from Grace Presbyterian and MVPC will join together to present Handel’s “Messiah” in December.

The Serve Commission (serving others outside of MVPC) reported that Gary Wall cooked for 25 mission trip volunteers in Alaska July 30-August 9. Much is happening with organizations supported by MVPC. Family Promise will hold the grand opening ceremony for its new \$14 million Navigation Center on September 30, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., with the main ceremony at 11:00 a.m. The Commission is planning a donation drive to support Project 150 in October and Project 150 will host its 14th Annual Fall Celebration on October 2. The Men’s Ministry monthly Saturday breakfast raised \$960.00 in August to support the Westminster Presbyterian Church food bank. Salvation Army food donations collected on the first Sunday of August were valued at approximately \$2,500.00. MVPC collected 125 backpacks and lots of school supplies for Olive Crest, which Bob and Paula Anderson and Phil and Mari Pupanek graciously helped deliver. The Hoving Home annual gala is scheduled for October 16. Club Christ is opening a new learning center at the Lake Mead West Apartments, serving children and teens. Homeless care packs assembly will be scheduled in September. The Commission will be sponsoring an outreach event called “Protecting Our Children” on October 5, focusing on reducing gun violence. Thank you to the congregation for its generous support of so many worthwhile projects.

The Nurture Commission (taking care of our congregation) reported that the Youth Group mission trip to Loveland, Colorado July 26 through August 2 was an amazing experience for the 5 senior youth and 2 counselor volunteers. Sunday School is gearing up for a busy fall with a new study program called “Treasures” followed by studying the Book of Acts. The Young Adults group enjoyed an outing to the Pinball Hall of Fame. MVPC and Grace Presbyterian youth groups continue to enjoy joint programs.

The Gather Commission (taking care of gathering in large and small groups) noted that a 5th Sunday brunch will be Sunday, August 31, with the last one in 2025 on November 30.

Stewardship Commission (being good managers of time, talents, and treasures). Elder John Meola reported on replacing the reverse osmosis system for the kitchen with a new Culligan system at a cost of approximately \$1,500.00. Elder Al Youmans reported that the solar power system will be inspected and maintenance performed, as necessary. MVPC’s landscape contractor will be removing excess plants and water lines to reduce MVPC’s outdoor water use.

The next Session meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 24, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.



Session



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!

BIBLE BACKROADS™ - The Book of Acts

Dave Stotts, host of *Drive Thru History*®, explores the scripture, history, geography, archaeology, and impact of the Book of Acts in the New Testament. The home base for the series is *Dave's Garage*™, a state-of-the-art, extended reality lair where almost anything is possible. In addition to teaching with a collection of monitors, maps, animations and artifacts, Dave treks outside his garage for special adventures in Israel and the entire Mediterranean region. Designed for all ages, *BIBLE BACKROADS*™ is fun, fast-paced, and educational, encouraging families to dig deeper into the Biblical accounts together.

Best Bible Meditations for Sleep

Fall asleep in God's word with this special collection of the best Bible sleep meditations from the Abide app.

God Speaks: A 30-Day Challenge to Read Your Bible

Join Zach Zehnder for God Speaks, a 30-day journey through the Bible exploring how God's voice still teaches, rebukes, corrects, and trains us to live with purpose. Created in partnership with Lutheran Bible Translators, this series invites you to rediscover the life-changing power of God's Word.

The Truth in True Crime

For decades, cold-case homicide detective J. Warner Wallace investigated the causes behind deaths and murders, chasing one lead after another as he attempted to solve the case. These cases exposed the truths of human nature: what's important to us, what threatens our well-being, and what causes us to flourish. This sixteen-session series introduces you to an investigation from Wallace's detective career and teaches guiding principles to help you thrive as a human being created in the image of God.

Studying God's Word!

Lead Me, Holy Spirit

One of Stormie Omartian's (bestselling author of *Lead Me, Holy Spirit*) greatest desires is that we will come to know the Holy Spirit better, love Him more, and grow in that knowledge and love every day. When we follow the leading of the Holy Spirit in our lives, good things happen. Although, life is not perfect when you are led by God's Spirit, but the good news is you will always have the ultimate victory.

When we receive Jesus, He gives us the Holy Spirit of God to dwell in us. Obviously, we don't have Jesus living with us in the flesh, Jesus is at the right hand of His Father God, but we do have His Spirit in us now.

Each new day there is more that God wants us to pray about than we can even think of in our minds. That's why He gave us His Spirit to not only lead us to pray, but also to help us pray.

We are here
to help!

DIVORCE Care®

for those going through
separation or divorce

**MVPC Group Now Meeting
Monday @ 6:00pm
Esther Room
(2nd fl - Fellowship Hall)**



Women's Breakfast



Sign-up in the Narthex

September 20th @ 9:00am

Cost is \$20.00 (tax & tip included).

**The Summit Restaurant
2215 Thomas W Ryan Blvd.**



**Special Offering
Envelopes in the pews**

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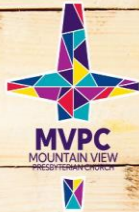
Sept. 14 - Sept. 28

**Women's Bible Study
every Tuesday @
9:45am or 7:00pm**



Interested in joining MVPC?

*New
Member*



**New Member Class
Sunday, Sept. 28th
4:30pm - Chapel**

Divine Dealing - time change!
Tuesday's from 11:30 to 1:30pm



LOVE
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**Football Sunday
September 21, 2025**

**Break out your favorite NFL,
College or High School gear.**

**Come and "tailgate" in Fellowship
Hall after both services.**



GRIEF SHARE®
GRIEF RECOVERY
SUPPORT GROUP

**Group meets on Tuesday
1:00pm - 3:00pm Chapel
No registration required**

MVPC Book Club

Our group of book lovers meets the last Friday of each month to catch-up with one another, and to discuss the book we had previously chosen for the month. We meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel at the Church. We always look forward to welcoming any who are interested to join us! Here are the upcoming meeting dates and books selected.

September 26th ***The Frozen River***

by Ariel Lawhon

October 31st ***The Great Alone***

by Kristin Hannah

"Books and doors are the same thing. You open them, and you go though into another world."

Jeanette Winterson

Happy Reading!



MVPC Deacon's Present: "Decluttering Tips & Tactics"

Learn how to purge and simplify your space

Sept. 23, 2025 @ 4:00 pm

Open to all church – sign up in the Narthex



Weekly Bible Study Groups

Men's Group – Tues. @ 7pm

Pastor's Bible Study – Wed. @ 10am

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& FEAR NOT!**

Our Vision

LOVE
God

LOVE
People

KNOW
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SERVE
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It's what we do!

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Neil Vance – Sept. 30th
 Ron Forrret – Sept. 23rd
 Don Peterson – Sept. 24th
 Lynn Morehouse – Sept. 25th

This Week's Events

Sun., Sept. 21

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship, SC
 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, SC
 1:00 p.m. Grace Presbyterian Church, SC
 4:00 p.m. Youth Group, FH
 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting, CH

Mon., Sept. 22

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., Sept. 23

9:45 a.m. Women's Bible Study, CH
 11:30 a.m. Divine Dealing, FH
 1:00 p.m. Griefshare, CH
 4:00 p.m. Decluttering Seminar, FH
 5:30 p.m. Narcotics Anon., CH
 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study, FH
 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study, CH

Wed., Sept. 24

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study, FH
 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir, CH
 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting, FH
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, SC
 7:00 p.m. Session, Esther

Thurs., Sept. 25

4:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry, Mark
 5:00 p.m. Redeemed Worship Rehearsal, SC
 7:00 p.m. Grace Choir Rehearsal, SC
 7:00 p.m. Al Anon Meeting, FH

Fri., Sept. 26

10:00 a.m. MVPC Book Club, CH
 2:00 p.m. Knitting, FH

Sat., Sept. 27

5:00 p.m. AA Meeting, FH



Ken and Grace Johnson – Sept. 20th
 Ron and Kyong Suk Yi Cameron – Sept. 23rd
 John and Angela Thalgott – Sept. 23rd



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

- Courtney Wolff
- The Wolosz Family
- Sarah Wyatt
- The Youmans Family
- The Zahn Family
- Betty Ziegler
- Peg Albrecht
- The Alig Family

Our World

- People of Qatar
- Nigerian Violence
- Ukraine War

Our Nation

- FDA
- Minneapolis Shooting victims
- Hawaii drought

Our City

- Traffic Safety
- School zones
- Formula One Construction

Our Churches

1. The Rock Christian Church
2. Tropicana Christian Fellowship
3. Vegas Valley Christian Church

Our Congregation

Rae Narcisse-Bryant,
Ralph Pendleton, Sarah Pierson,
Jerry Takier

- Elders: Jeff Patterson
- Deacons: Sandy Gandy,
Allison Gray

Other Prayer Concerns...

Sympathy to the family of Jerry Heiss
Sympathy to the family of Dennis Evans
Abigail Radabaugh

