



Weekly Messenger 01-04-19

Happy New Year 2019!!

On your desktop/mobile/tablet screen, you have the very first edition of the "Weekly Messenger!"

With the New Year comes change. It's a New Year. We have resolutions and goals which we have set. New diets. New health habits. New spiritual habits. All sorts of "newness" happening right now!

MVPC is no different. We are taking a new approach to our "Communication" with the Church body. We live in a digital age where communication with one another can happen faster, be more relevant and up to date.

Our hope with a "Weekly Messenger" is you will receive the latest announcements, the most timely of communication concerning events and activities and easy portable information.

A special thank you and shout out to Gwen Fukumoto, who has joyfully provided MVPC with the monthly Messenger for many years. The monthly "Messenger" under her watch, guidance and production has been nothing less than phenomenal and spectacular! Thank you Gwen!!

I hope and trust your New Year 2019 is off to a fantastic start. I cannot wait to see how the year unfolds. Right now, the book of 2019 is filled with blank pages. What will you write on each page? What will God write in the chapters currently untold?

What a blessing for all of us to share the journey together as the Body of Christ here at MVPC!

Happy New Year to each of you!

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

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Session Meeting Highlights – December 19, 2018

The Deacons reported that it secured enough participants for three Prayer Wheels. The Deacon Bereavement Team reported that it provided services of 19 memorial services in 2018. The annual Service of Solace on Thursday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m. was attended by approximately 100 people. The Deacons have 5 positions for the class of 2021, 1 for the class of 2020 and 1 for the class of 2019.

Pastor David reported that the Church office had obtained a proposal for a new copier at the same price as our existing copier. Session approved the new copier. American Heritage Girls Christmas caroled at Royal Springs and provided 521 wreaths for the Nevada Veterans Cemetery. MVPC received a donation of \$25,000 for Family Promise in honor of Ruth Ann Kennedy. The December bulletin will include Jump Start for January with programs and classes in the new Year. Staff is working on a weekly email newsletter.

The Magnify Commission (matters relating to worship), Elder Karen Stokes, reported that ushers and greeters are needed.

The Serve Commission (serving others outside of MVPC), Elder Susan Paddock, proposed a joint meeting of the MVPC and Westminster Presbyterian Sessions to discuss projects of joint interests. Session approved. Elder John Bull reported on the Alaska Mission Trip schedule for 2019. More information will follow.

The Gather Commission (taking care of gathering together in groups large and small), Elder Jane Grimes, reported that the retirement party for Tim Harvey on December 9 was well attended and appreciated.

The Stewardship Commission (being good managers of time, talents and treasures), presented a contract with Burke Construction for pre-construction services for the sanctuary, fellowship hall and upstairs improvements. Session approved the contract. Committees are to complete budget review for January-June 2019 for approval at January Session meeting. As of December 19, the number of pledges for 2019 stands at 210 for a total of approximately \$610,000. Per capita for 2019 is \$46.00, which is broken down \$30.07 to the Nevada Presbytery, \$5.22 to the Synod of the Pacific, and \$10.71 to the General Assembly.

The Session approved the Operations Manual revised for 2019, elected Tom Grimes as Treasurer and Jeff Patterson as Clerk for 2019.

Next Session meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Your Session wants to hear your questions or concerns. Please feel free to contact an Elder. On Sunday mornings you can spot Elders by their blue nametags.

Jeffrey D. Patterson, Clerk of Session



A GIVING CONGREGATION

MVPC is indeed a giving congregation. Throughout 2018 you demonstrated your care for the community and the world, and the living out of Christ's example, through time, talents and treasure. For example, you gave almost \$10,000 to help people around the world through the Giving Catalogue. Through Mission Committee budget allocations you helped people affected by hurricanes, floods and fire (\$15,000), sent funds to two food banks (\$7,200), Project 150 for homeless high school students (\$10,000), Family Promise (\$5,000), the Westminster Learning Center (\$8,000) as well as allocations to other projects such as Club Christ Ministry and Bibs for Babes.

MVPC is a "Four for Four" church, giving to all four Great Offerings: One Great Hour of Sharing at Easter, Pentecost (for Youth), Peacemaking and Christmas Joy. In 2018 you contributed over \$10,000 to help people around the world through these offerings. And, through the church's budget, you contributed \$15,384 for per capita, which primarily supports our presbytery, but also the synod and General Assembly.

You also supported a mission trip to Alaska, and the youth mission trip to Arizona, and contributed many, many boxes and bags of clothes, school supplies and hygiene items.

Once someone asked me, "Are you going to ask for money again?" Your money DOES make a difference, locally, nationally and globally, and we'll be continuing to ask for your financial support. But be warned....in 2019 the Mission Committee will be asking for MORE than your money! We're looking for new ways that you can contribute your time and talents. You already do this by donating school supplies, Angel Tree presents, donated clothes, and in many other ways. We'll find for even more ways that will allow everyone to be a part of the mission effort of MVPC, through volunteer work, through small group study, and through group activities. Watch for these new opportunities. If you have suggestion, please let Tami or members of the Mission Committee know. Here's to a 2019 where MVPC becomes even MORE giving.

LOVE GROW SERVE



SERVE



JoAnn Padget- Jan. 1
 Alice Haruthunian- Jan. 2
 Connor Klingenberg- Jan. 2
 Pete Carnes Jr. – Jan. 3
 Audrey Latta- Jan. 3
 Marty Flynn- Jan. 4
 Leslie Patterson- Jan. 4
 Jeanmarie White- Jan. 4

Lynn Palmer- Jan. 6
 Marie Thomas- Jan. 6
 Dean Grassick- Jan. 7
 Rick Morris- Jan. 7
 JuAnn Miller- Jan. 10
 Baylee Bosignore-Washburn- Jan.11
 Nan Marchetti- Jan. 11
 Lehr Sherrill- Jan. 11

Jim Ton- Jan. 11
 Debbie Weeks- Jan. 11
Anniversaries
 Mark and Elena Wherry- Jan. 2
 Ron Forret and Carol Brink- Jan. 4
 Chris and Sara Kirschman- Jan. 7
 Bobby and Jolene Lum- Jan. 9
 Grant and Toni Milleret- Jan. 9



There will be a memorial service in honor of Dr. Payton Cook on Jan. 5th at 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Dr. Cook passed away on Dec. 25th.

Lehr Sherrill passed away on Jan. 2nd at the age of 101 years old. She was a member of MVPC for over 15 years. There will not be a memorial service at the church. She will be greatly missed.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Russ Kramer on Jan. 12th at 10:30 a.m. It will be held at Las Ventanas, 10401 W. Charleston Blvd. Russ was a member of MVPC for over 20 years. He will be missed.

Deacons

Happy New Year from MVPC Deacons!

Enough volunteers have come forward to participate in a needed third Deacon Prayer Wheel. Please contact Barb Mickelson at barbara9797@gmail.com if you or a loved one needs to be placed on the Prayer Wheel or Prayer Sheet.


The Service of Solace planned by the Deacons and Pastor David was held on Thursday, December 13, 2018, from 7-8 pm in the Sanctuary. The program was beautiful with lighting of the advent candles, readings, prayers, a message from Pastor David to attendees, illuminating the cross candles for personal losses, and ringing of the bell for congregational members that have moved on to the Church Triumphant. Music was provided by Devon English and Sasha Swanson and singing led by Mark Wherry. Thank you to those who attended and the Deacons, Health Ministry members, and Stephen Ministers for participating.

The Board of Deacons would like to thank Deacons Sharon Hughes, Lori Ritter, Nancy Amato, Val Klein, and Dian Ward for completing their service in 2018. They have unconditionally given their time to care for and serve the members of MVPC. New Deacons will be installed and introduced to the congregation in January.

The next Deacon Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 15th at 6 pm in the Great Room

JANUARY

2019

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Office Closed New Year's Day	2 8a/Men's Breakfast 1pFH/Bridge 5:30pCH/Bells 7pSC/Choir 	3 5pSC/Praise Team 6p206/Health Ministry	4 2pFH/Knitting 5:30pFH/Deacon Board	5 1pSC/Dr. Payton Cook Memorial 5pFH/AA
						
6 Salvation Army Food Bank Blood Pressure Screening 11:30aSC/Congregational Meeting	7 9aKit/Flower Prep 9aFH/Quilters 10a/Staff Meeting 6pGR/Fellowship Cmte 6pFH/Small Group(Lewis) 7pCH/Gamblers	8 9:30a212/Mommi es Meetup 1pFH/Dominoes	9 1pFH/Bridge 3pCH/ALS Support 5:30pSC/Bells 6p212/Mission Cmte 7pSC/Choir	10 1pCH/Dementia Support Group 5pSC/Praise Team 5pMark/Vine Board 6pFH/AHG	11 2pFH/Knitting	12 10a206/Stephen Ministry 10aFH/Canine CPR 12pFH/Christmas Takedown 5pFH/AA
13 9:45aMark/Pet Ministry 9:45aEsther/Adult Sunday School 12pGR/U50's 4:30pGR/Youth Group	14 9aKit/Flower Prep 9aFH/Quilters 10a/Staff Meeting 5pMark/Christian Education 6pFH/Small Group(Lewis) 7pCH/Gamblers	15 10aEsther/ Contemplative Prayer 1pFH/Dominoes 6pGR/Deacons 7pEsther/ Contemplative Prayer	16 12aEsther/ Sign Language Class 1pFH/Bridge 5:30pSC/Bells 5:45pGR/Wednesday Night Live 6pFH/Bible Study 7pSC/Choir	17 1pCH/ Neuropathy Support Group 5pSC/Praise Team 6:30pFH/AHG 	18 1p/Lunch Bunch 2pFH/Knitting	19 10:30aFH/Vine Gathering 5pFH/AA
20 9:45aEsther/ Adult Sunday School 4:30pGR/Youth Group	21 Office Closed Martin Luther King Jr. Day 	22 9:30a212/Mommi e Meetup 10aEsther/ Contemplative Prayer 1pFH/Dominoes 7pEsther/ Contemplative Prayer	23 10aFH/Bible Basics 12aEsther/ Sign Language Class 1pFH/Bridge 5:30pSC/Bells 5:45pGR/Wednesday Night Live 6pFH/Bible Basics 7pGR/Session 7pSC/Choir	24 5pSC/Praise Team 6pFH/AHG	25 10:30aFH/Vine Book Club 2pFH/Knitting	26 9aFH/ AHG 10a206/Stephen Ministry 5pFH/AA
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Library

Happy New Year! This month I am honored to feature the over 35 FICTION books so generously purchased and donated by our Vine Book Club Leaf in memory and in honor of Ruth Ann Kennedy. This is a most amazing collection of incredible authors and their works. Ruth Ann's dedication to the church and love of reading will be an inspiration to us all for many years through this legacy. Here is a sample:

Stolen Beauty by Laurie Rico Albanese
A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman
Memory Man by David Baldacci
The Columbus Affair by Steve Berry
Chestnut Street by Maeve Binchy
Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn
The Testament by John Grisham
The Girl on the Train by Paul Hawkins
The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini
Somewhere Safe with Somebody Good by Jan Karon
The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd
To Kill A Mockingbird by Harper Lee
Cottage by the Sea by Debbie Macomber
The Rest of Her Life by Laura Moriarty
Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng
Between the Lines by Jodi Picoult
The Notebook by Nicholas Sparks
A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles
Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate
The One-in-a-Million Boy by Monica Wood



The Vine Book Club Leaf will meet Friday, January 25th, at 10:30 a.m. to discuss *Sea of Memories* by Fiona Valpy. We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall, unless it is busy, in which case we'll meet upstairs in the Esther room. The book we'll discuss in February is *Of Windmills and War* by Diane Moody. We welcome anyone interested to join us.

Men's Ministry will start up on January 20th at 6:00 p.m. We will be continuing the **Authentic Manhood** series with Vol. 2 "A Man and His Story". Six week course, study guide cost is \$15.00. Sign up today at the SERVE Counter!



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We invite you to attend the Memory Care Group meeting this Thursday, January 10th at 1pm in the Chapel. Get-togethers are held monthly on the 2nd Thursday. Paula Anderson and Pat Youmans serve as the facilitators. Come get answers to questions, guidance and support. Learn how to gauge the extent of memory issues including what are normal issues and what may be indicators of dementia. If there are problems to be attended to, get guidance as to where and what help is available. Mark your calendars. We look forward to seeing you!



There will be a **congregational meeting** on Jan. 6th following 2nd service. Please plan on attending this important meeting.

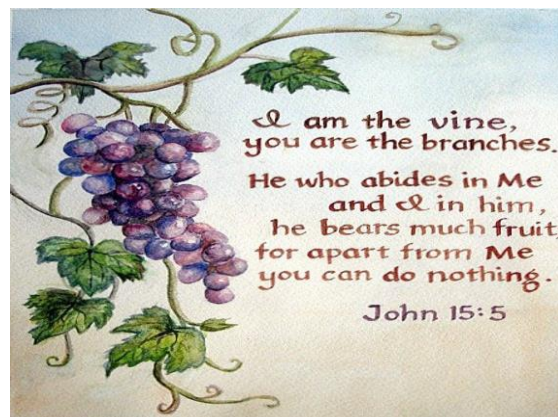
Time to "Un-Decorate" the church! Come and help take down the Christmas decorations on Saturday, Jan. 12th from Noon to 2:30p.m. **Pizza lunch will be served at 12:15.** Please contact the church office if you can help so we have a firm count for lunch, thank you!

The **Pet Ministry** will be hosting a Canine CPR class on Sat. Jan. 12th at 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. This will be for humans only, stuffed animals will be provided for demonstrations. Contact the church office for more information.

PET MINISTRY



The **Vine Gathering** will be on Jan. 19 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come to meet the new Board and learn about exciting new programs in store for the Women's Ministry at MVPC. Tickets will be on sale in the Fellowship Hall following Services.



MVPC is going to the Imperial Cities and the **Oberammergau Passion Play** from Aug. 15-25, 2020. Our discount date has been extended to Jan. 11th. Information meeting on Jan. 8th at 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Contact office to reserve a spot!!



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