

PRAY FERVENTLY
IN RIGHTEOUSNESS

AND AVAIL MUCH

JAMES 5:16B

THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023

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NATIONAL
DAY OF
PRAYER



James 5:16

Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed.
A prayer of a righteous person, when it is brought about, can accomplish much.

Primetimers Program

Thursday, May 4, 2023 - Program at 11 a.m.

Welcome

Tommy Christian- Program Coordinator

Greeting & Opening Prayer

Rev. Gary Robertson, Associate Pastor for Missions & Evangelism, MVBC

Devotional

Laura Cottrell, Preschool Director, MVBC

Introduction of Guests, Children of Mount Vernon's Preschool

Laura Cottrell

Guests

Children of Mount Vernon's Preschool

Announcements

Tommy Christian

Video

"I fought for you"

Introduction & Welcome of First-Time Guests

Sharon Miles, Program Hostess

Celebration of May Birthdays

Sharon Miles

Recognition of May Wedding Anniversaries

Sharon Miles

Travel Announcements

Nancy & Charles Hudson, Travel Coordinators

Closing Remarks & Blessing for the Food

Tommy Christian

Dismissing Tables by Numbers for Luncheon

Overhead Screens

Thanks to all Primetimers & MVBC Staff who help make our
Primetimers Programs a success!

National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 4, 2023

On the National Day of Prayer, people of different faiths are invited to pray for the United States of America and its leaders. It is held on the first Thursday of May and in 2023, it is today.

The very first day of prayer was declared in 1775 by the Continental Congress, which asked people to pray for the fledgling nation. This initial declaration gradually evolved into two formalized events. In 1863, President Lincoln over-saw the naming of the autumnal observance of prayer and thanks as Thanks-giving Day.

Almost a century later, President Truman oversaw the establishment of the spring tradition of prayer and thanks as the National Day of Prayer in 1952. The intent of the Day was to honor the history of public prayer in the United States by designating a day for Americans to come together and pray or meditate according to their own belief systems.

In 1988, President Reagan amended the 1952 resolution to designate that the National Day of Prayer would be the first Thursday in May. Every year since then, the sitting U.S. President, regardless of party or denomination, has issued an official proclamation on the National Day of Prayer. Similarly, each of the 50 U.S. governors issue annual proclamations. Many religious, interfaith and community groups hold events recognizing the day.

While the U.S. government officially recognizes the day, it does not mandate or provide any guidelines as to how the day should be observed. Organizations and people from any tradition can create a National Day of Prayer observance, including interfaith groups. Anyone can organize an event, from a prayer breakfast to a moment of silence.

In some places, a local Chamber of Commerce or service organization (e.g. Kiwanis) may organize a day of community service or similar type of charitable event to celebrate the day. Individual temples, churches, mosques or other houses of worship may hold their own events or come together for an interfaith event.

Welcome Guests - Children of Mount Vernon's Preschool

Mount Vernon Preschool (MVP) is a weekday preschool ministry of MVBC. There are currently 180 children ranging in age from 2 years through 5 years old who attend two, three, four or five days each week.

MVP is a Christian play-based preschool that follows a developmentally appropriate curriculum for the children. Their day is planned with exciting opportunities to learn including chapel, music, creative movement, art, Bible story time, puzzles, home living, crafts, etc. They also learn social skills as well as problem-solving skills. The goal is to help children grow as Jesus grew—in wisdom, stature and in favor with God and man.

Laura Cottrell & 29 staff members devote many hours to planning and implementing the daily classroom routine of the preschool. MVP is a state-licensed facility. The children have prepared the beautiful table decorations for our Primetimers Program & luncheon today. A special "Thank - You" goes out to both the children & teachers.



Primetimers' Senior Adults Travel Time

Wednesday, July 26

Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts - "The Lion King"

Join the more than 100 million people around the world who have experienced the phenomenon of Disney's The Lion King as we journey to the Kennedy Center for a matinee performance! This landmark musical brings to life a story filled with hope and adventure set against an amazing backdrop of stunning visuals! Following the performance, we will enjoy dinner at the Ristorante Renato in Fredericksburg! Due at sign up: \$150 which includes theater ticket as well as dinner.

Wednesday, October 18-Saturday, October 28 Canada and New England Cruise Aboard the "Liberty of the Seas"

Join us for a 10 - day cruise from Cape Liberty, NJ on RCCL's newly revitalized Liberty of the Seas! The ship will be calling on the ports of Boston, MA, Portland, ME, Bar Harbor, ME, Halifax, NS, Canada, and Saint John (Bay of Fundy), NB, Canada. Sheri Layne with Covington Travel (747-4130) will handle the cruise bookings. Optional insurance is available and encouraged! The cruise final payment is due July 10,. See brochure at mvbcnow.org/travelttime

Sunday, April 14-Sunday, April 21, 2024

AMAWaterways "Tulip Time" Riverboat Cruise

Celebrate spring in the Netherlands and Belgium aboard the AMALucia when the Keukenhof Gardens and Floralia come alive. Experience Amsterdam's colorful canals, the whimsical Kinderdijk windmills and the art of Rubens and Michelangelo. Discover the timeless traditions of Delft porcelain and revel in the medieval architectural treasures of Bruges, Middelburg and Ghent. Throughout your journey indulge in Belgian chocolates, warm waffles and delicious cheeses—all while savoring the storybook atmosphere of the region. Staterooms start at \$3399 per person double. Air fare and optional insurance are additional. Barbi Partlow with Covington Travel (804.343.2268) will handle cruise bookings. A 2-night pre-cruise extension in Amsterdam is also available. For brochure, visit .mvbcnow.org/travelttime

All trip information - destination, date & price
- is subject to change.
Travel Time Info Contact:
Charles & Nancy Hudson:
(804) 271-1421 or
nancycharles.hudson@gmail.com

Prayer Requests

mountvernon.church/prayer

If you would like prayer for an illness, hospitalization, sympathy, please call the church office (804) 270-6600.

Judy Dunn
Roy & Shirley Gay
Barbara Jacobsen
Wayne Kimble
Preston Ladd

Debbie Robertson, sister of Carolyn Mattox
Don & Anne Runion

JOKE OF THE DAY

Q. Why are trees very forgiving?

A. Because in the Fall they
"Let It Go" and by May Day they
"turn over a new leaf".

Opportunities for all Senior Adults

Wednesday Fellowship Dinners

mountvernon.church/dinner

Prices: Regular meal: \$8; Child (2-11 years old): \$4 Infant (<2): Free
Family Max (Discount): \$25 (immediate family up to 2 Regular & 5 Child)
Online Reservation Deadline Monday 12pm
mountvernon.church/dinner or call (804) 270-6600

Mount Vernon Kids
Summer Camps
Registration Online
mountvernon.church/kids

Twists & Turns
VBS JULY 17-21
ages 5-completed 6th grade

KAMPJAM JULY 31-AUG 3
completed 1st-5th grade

The Connecting Point contains all MVBC opportunities for worship, prayer, outreach, learning, serving and fellowship. Online: mountvernon.church/connectingpoint

Special Appreciation to Jean Waters

Jean has been filling the roles of both Mistress of Ceremonies and the Outreach Coordinator for a number of years. With the growth in Primetimers over the past couple of years, the responsibilities of the Outreach Coordinator have increased significantly. Going forward, Jean will focus solely on the Primetimers Outreach ministry. If you have a heart for this ministry as Jean does and are interested in working with her, contact her at (804) 749-3014. We thank Jean for her dedication to Primetimers and the Outreach Ministry

May Birthdays

1	17
Lloyd Bromley	Dottie Whitlock
2	Andrea Overman
Linda Almond	Phyllis Waters
Pat Barth	18
Fred Bullock	Charles Anderson
Jean Domurat	Vickie Gidley
4	19
Joe Crenshaw	Hatcher Cole
Lee France	20
5	Steve Burton
Don Godbey	21
6	Betty Cox
Bob Botkin	Carolyn Ingram
Lorraine Powers	Roberta Rucker
8	22
Shirley Foutz	Rebecca Baker
Don Swanson	Laura Martin
Susie Tribble	23
10	Jim Van den Berg
Kathy Dyer	24
11	Shirley Jenkins
Linda Frye	Libby Stennett
Rachel Smith	Larry Willis
Michelle Stetter	25
12	Mary Brown
Bob Wildbore	26
13	Ken Stalls
Michael Vines	Bill Tuck
14	27
Beatrice Peyton	Louise Condrey
15	David Wright
Kakki Aydlotte	28
Dianne Pollock	Anne Allen
Jean Wildbore	Guy Williams
16	29
Jim Dickerson	Pete Johnson
Ken Jenkins	31
Betty Leap	John Almond
	Emily Snellings
	Bill Stennett
	Steve Sykes

May Wedding Anniversaries

Ronnie & Anne Maxey - 55 years - May 4
Joe & Barbara Broach - 20 years - May 9
Pete & Yvonne Johnson - 42 years - May 9
Guy & Aleen Williams - 37 years - May 10
Nelson & Carolyn Boykin - 64 years - May 16
John & Anita French - 62 years - May 16
Tom & Jackie Morrisette - 70 years - May 16
Joe & Carol Miller - 12 years - May 19
Donald & Susie Hudson - 36 years - May 23
Bob & Lynn Lee - 54 years - May 24
Rob & Alison Peck - 37 years - May 24
Tim & Mary Jane Turner - 44 years - May 26
Jim & Bonnie Spain - 63 years - May 28
Bob & Libby McCluan - 25 years - May 30

If you and your spouse want your anniversary to be in our newsletter, leave a note at the registration table. Give the names of the couple & the anniversary date & number of years married. This information will be in our newsletter the month of the anniversary.

Primetimers *Programs*

Monthly Program & Lunch

(All monthly entertainers are subject to change)

2023

Young at Heart Choir of MVBC Thursday, June 1

Will present their annual spring concert



Smokey Wilson Thursday, July 6

Will present his ministry through song.



Paul Muller as "The Tune Wrangler" Thursday, August 3

Will present a program of cowboy gospel music.
Come dressed in western attire if you like.



Michael Wayne Smith Thursday, September 7

Will present a program of songs that make it easy to enjoy.



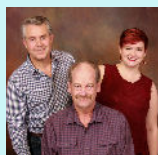
Damian & Paul Muller Thursday, October 5

Will present uplifting songs of faith, family, fun.



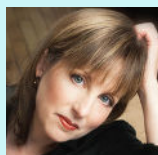
"4 the Lord Trio" Thursday, November 2

Will provide a variety of songs for enjoyable entertainment.



Annual Christmas Celebration Tuesday, December 5 Susan Greenbaum

Will present a program that will put you in the Christmas spirit
with many happy, joyful songs.



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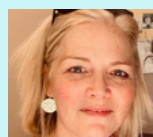
Donald Coles Thursday, January 4

Will present a blend of southern gospel and 'songs from the past'.



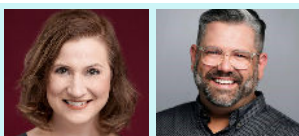
Amy Ladd Thursday, February 1

Will share a little country and a lot of gospel.



Shannon Gibson Brown & Joshua Wortham Thursday, March 7

Will provide a variety of happy, uplifting songs.



Primetimers Senior Adults (ages 55 & over)
meet the first Thursday of each month
(11am • Program)

Various speakers & entertainment make this a time
filled with grace, laughter & friendship.

Registration is not necessary.

All senior adults are welcome.



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PRIMETIMERS Senior Adults
through monthly programs and travel
is an outreach ministry to all senior adults.

PRIMETIMERS programs are canceled
if Henrico County Schools are closed or
open late because of weather conditions.