

Sunday Services
9am Contemporary & 10:30am Traditional
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GOING BACK to BETHLEHEM



Christmas
AT MOUNT VERNON
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Midweek Series with Pastor Josh
Wednesdays • 6:30pm • Sanctuary

God's
Amazing Book
Journey Through the New Testament

Tithes & Offerings


for the Fiscal Year • 7/1/23-6/30/24

As Of December 10

Annual Tithes & Offerings Budget	\$3,600,000
YTD Budgeted	\$1,422,736
YTD Receipts	\$1,800,496
Weekly Receipts-Budgeted	\$79,006
Actual Receipts-Last Week	\$92,320
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$377,760
Annual Building Fund Budget	\$345,000
YTD Budgeted	\$103,741
YTD Receipts	\$167,960
Weekly Receipts-Budgeted	\$4,754
Actual Receipts-Last Week	\$4,109
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$64,219

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 **Online Giving**
mountvernon.church/give
Text "Give" to (833) 921-6485

Wednesday Fellowship Dinners

mountvernon.church/dinner

Winter Break • Dinner starts back January 3

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)

Reservation Deadline Monday • 12p

mountvernon.church/dinner or (804) 270-6600

COMMUNITY

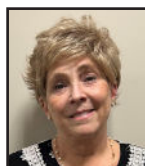
Sunday Attendance (December 10)

444	9a Worship
315	10:30a Worship
185	Mount Vernon Kids
105	Mount Vernon Students
400	Adult Bible Fellowship

1,049 TOTAL On Campus Impact
(includes Worship, MV Kids & MV Students)

473 TOTAL Online Impact

New Members (December 10)



Paula Archer
Transfer of Letter

Prayers From This Past Week (Dec 8-14)

Julie & Bob Lantz
Herb Proffitt
Joan Robinson
Pauline Taylor (mother of Pam Scott)
Jim van den Berg

Submit Your Prayer Request:

mountvernon.church/prayer • MVBC app
email pray@mountvernon.church • (804) 270-6600

Looking for a previous week's list?
Email pray@mountvernon.church

Gifts in Memory & Honor

Posted on the 1st Sunday of every month.
Email dyarbrough@mountvernon.church
for a previous month's list.

MISSION Spotlight

November 2023

mountvernon.church/missions

Spiritual Conversations With A Hindu Friend Training

- 21 people attended.

Women's Christmas Event Missions Impact

- East End Pregnancy Center, the Silent Auction Beneficiary, received a monetary donation of \$16,271.
- Guests brought over \$2,000 in tangible goods (diapers, bottles & clothing)
- Little Hands Virginia (diaper bank) received a large donation of supplies.

Thank You from the Mount Vernon Food Pantry

- For the generous donations for the Christmas Bags (distribution on Dec 23).

2023 CONTRIBUTIONS GUIDELINES FOR YEAR-END GIVING

Giving is important to you and to our church. Please read the following statement which has been developed from the IRS guidelines and the church's holiday schedule to eliminate any confusion regarding the tax deductibility of your 2023 contributions at year end.

- The church office will be open only until 12 Noon on the following days to receive hand delivered contributions: Wednesday, December 27 through Friday, December 29, 2023.
- All collections received in the Sunday, December 31 offering, regardless of the dates shown, will be treated as 2023 contributions.
- We have two deposit drop boxes for receiving contributions. Locations: Box 1 - Outside Door 12, and Box 2 - On the second floor by the Staff Offices Door (labeled "Mail"). All items deposited in these drop boxes will be collected before closing the church on Friday, December 29, 2023 at 12 Noon and will be considered 2023 contributions. All contributions deposited in these boxes after 12 Noon on Friday, December 29 will be treated as 2024 contributions.
- Online Giving can be used to make contributions until 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, December 31 for 2023 contributions. To give online, go to mountvernon.church/give and click "Give Online".
- Under the "Postmark Exception Rule," checks that are dated, mailed and display a postmark no later than December 31, 2023 WILL BE recognized as 2023 contributions, even if the mail is received by the church after January 1, 2024. Any envelopes postmarked after December 31, 2023 must be treated as 2024 contributions.

Calendar • December 17-23, 2023

mountvernon.church/events

Church Office Hours: 9a-4:30p M-F

Sunday, December 17

- 8a Bus Ministry
- 9a Contemporary Worship
Sunday School - all ages
- 10:30a Traditional Worship
Sunday School - all ages
- 3p Handbell Rehearsal • Rehearsal Room
- 4:15p Student Ministry Band • E213
- 5:45p Awana
- 6p Mentoring Men • Sanctuary
Student Small Groups • Student Worship Center

Monday, December 18

- 7:45a Feeding the Hungry • M118
- 6:30p Faithful Followers • M131/M132
- 7p College/Young Adult Bible Study • E213

Tuesday, December 19

- 9:30a Young at Heart Community Outing
- 5:30p KidJAM Leader Planning Mtg • E206

Wednesday, December 20

- 8:45a Christian Yoga • E213
- 5:45p Food Pantry Packing • M114
- 6:30p KidJAM

Mid-Week Study • Sanctuary

Mentoring Men • E204

Midweek Student Discipleship Groups

- Student Worship Center

7:30p Sanctuary Choir with Orchestra Rehearsal

- Choir Room/Sanctuary

Thursday, December 21

6:15p CWT Vocal Rehearsal • Choir Room

7p CWT Rehearsal • Sanctuary

Saturday, December 23

10a Food Pantry Distribution • Door 5

FEATURED EVENTS & RESOURCES

CONNECT WITH A CLASS Adult Bible Fellowship (ABF)

Opportunities for Bible Study,
building relationships, prayer & service.
mountvernon.church/adults

Christmas

AT MOUNT VERNON



Gloria
Christmas Eve Morning Worship • 10am
Musical Presentation Featuring
Sanctuary Choir, Orchestra, & Children's Choir



Christmas Eve
AT MOUNT VERNON
Candlelight Worship
3pm & 5pm
Available childcare for ages 3 & under

OUR CHURCH'S OFFERING GOAL

\$140,000
GIVE ONLINE
mountvernon.church/give
As of December 10: \$45,020

GIVE ONLINE FOR POSTAGE




Lottie Moon Post Office
Are you sending Christmas cards to church members?

Drop them at the "Post Office" at the point and donate the costs you would have spent on postage to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Your family's cards that others have left for you will be waiting there to pick up!



9a

Christians in Action (CIA)/All Ages/E202
Teacher: John Jimison
Study/Topic: Bible Studies for Life

Deborah/Ages 55+/Women/M133
Teacher: Nancy Crutcher, Susan Lowery
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

Disciples/All Ages/E210
Teacher: Tom Zimmerman
Study/Topic: Apocalypse Now?

Encouragers/Ages 55+/M111
Teachers: Bill Franklin, Judy Clarke, Walter Smith
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

Faith/Ages 60+/M131
Teachers: Bob Boteler, Ashby Knight, Ken Stalls
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

Fellowship/Ages 55+/E203
Teacher: Dwight Webb
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

Studies in Discipleship/Ages 30-80/E205
Teacher: James Estep
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

10:30a

Afterglow/Ages 55+/M131
Teacher: Tom Killian
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

Bible Foundations/All Ages/E210
Teacher: Mark Sheets
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

Cornerstone/Ages 25-40/E202
Teacher: Jacob Forkey
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

The Bridge/18-25/E220
Teacher: Daniel Gray, Dan Seedah,
Jeff & Sarah Randolph
Study/Topic: John

Journey/Ages 30s-60s/M111
Teacher: Tim & Teresa Boschen
Study/Topic: Bible Studies for Life

Lift/Ages 40s-60s/E203
Teacher: Ronnie Bingham, Carole Forkey
Study/Topic: Explore the Bible

Parents of Children/Ages 20s-40s/E204
Teacher: Brad & Stephanie Jones
Study/Topic: Bible Studies for Life

Parents of Students/Ages 30s-50s/E205
Teacher: Mike Renfroe
Study/Topic: Bible Studies for Life

Rooted/Ages 45+/M133
Teacher: Doug Jones
Study/Topic: Bible Studies for Life

Verse Voyagers/Ages 50+/M116
Teacher: Joe Crenshaw, Vickie Duggins,
Carl & LeeAnn Lecheler
Study/Topic: Hebrews

Sunday School Classes

Mount Vernon Kids

9a & 10:30a • Infants-Grade 5
mountvernon.church/kids

Mount Vernon Students

9a E220 & 10:30a E213 • Grades 6-12
mountvernon.church/students

NEW WOMEN'S STUDIES

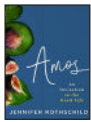
Sign Up • mountvernon.church/women
Childcare available upon request



Tuesdays • 12pm • Jan 2-June 11
E202 • Book \$15
Led by Mary Stinson & Carolyn Payne



Wednesdays • 10am • Jan 3-March 5
M131/132 • Book \$16
Led by Dee Yarbrough & Kathy Parker



Wednesdays • 6pm • Jan 3-Feb 21
M131/132 • Book \$20
Led by Angela Howerton



Sundays • 6pm • Jan 7-Feb 18
E204 • Book \$16
Led by Michelle Robertson

Mount Vernon Kids & Mount Vernon STUDENTS

HAPPY "NOON" YEAR
2024

Sunday, December 31
11:30am-12:30pm

MV Kids • Fellowship Hall
Families are invited to ring in the new year at noon.

MV Students • E213
Students are invited to ring in the new year at noon.

Discover Mount Vernon



Join us to learn more about Mount Vernon. Whether you're new or just visiting, this is the class for you!

Sundays • 9am
January 7, 14, 21, & 28

Register online
mountvernon.church/events

NEW MEN'S STUDY

mountvernon.church/men



Saturdays • 7:30a • starts Jan 6
E220

LOSS OF A SPOUSE

Help is here & hope is possible.

Sunday, February 4
11:45am-2pm
Fellowship Hall
FREE Seminar & Lunch

Register Online
mountvernon.church/events

GriefShare

Receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort & peace of mind.

Fall Session • Sundays
February 11-May 12
2pm-3:30pm
Materials: \$20

Register Online
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GOING BACK to BETHLEHEM

Bethlehem at Christmas

Luke 2:1-7

Dr. Josh Franklin • Senior Pastor

worship order

December 17, 2023

9am • Contemporary Service

Welcome
Lighting the Candle of Joy Gene & Betty Preas
Baptism Rev. Jeff Randolph
Madison McKay • Wolf Watson
Songs of Praise "Angels We Have Heard on High"
"O Come O Come Emmanuel"
Offertory Prayer
Offertory "Noel"
Solo- Beth Assessor
Sermon Dr. Josh Franklin
Bethlehem at Christmas • Luke 2:1-7
Invitation "Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)"
Benediction

10:30am • Traditional Service

Welcome
Lighting the Candle of Joy Gene & Betty Preas
Songs of Praise "Good Christian Men Rejoice"
"Angels We Have Heard On High"
"Emmanuel"
Offertory Prayer
Offertory "O Bethlehem"
Sanctuary Choir
Sermon Dr. Josh Franklin
Bethlehem at Christmas • Luke 2:1-7
Invitation "Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne"
Benediction

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