

# connectingpoint

March 3, 2024



**Sunday Services**  
**9am Contemporary & 10:30am Traditional**  
mountvernon.church • MVBC app • Facebook • YouTube



**God's Amazing Book**  
Journey Through the New Testament

Midweek Series with Pastor Josh  
Wednesdays • 6:30pm • Sanctuary

**Today's Guest Speaker**

*Dr. Daniel L. Akin*  
President of Southeastern Seminary

Join us in person or online!



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

## Tithes & Offerings

for the Fiscal Year • 7/1/23-6/30/24

### As Of February 25

Annual Tithes & Offerings Budget	\$3,600,000
YTD Budgeted	\$2,378,612
YTD Receipts	\$2,781,528
Weekly Receipts-Budgeted	\$63,088
Actual Receipts-Last Week	\$66,876
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$402,916
Annual Building Fund Budget	\$345,000
YTD Budgeted	\$221,569
YTD Receipts	\$231,231
Weekly Receipts-Budgeted	\$5,754
Actual Receipts-Last Week	\$2,891
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$9,662

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## Wednesday Fellowship Dinners

mountvernon.church/dinner

### Wednesday, March 6 • 5:30p-6:30p

Italian Night: Salad, Lasagna, Baked Spaghetti & Fettuccine  
Alfredo, Italian Green Beans, Rolls/Butter, Dessert  
Gluten Free - same as above, plus GF Dessert  
Children's - Hot Dog, Tater Tots,  
Fruit/Applesauce/Pudding Cups, Dessert

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

## Calendar • March 3-March 9

mountvernon.church/events

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

### Sunday, March 3

- 8a Bus Ministry
- 9a Contemporary Worship  
Sunday School - all ages
- 10:30a Traditional Worship  
Sunday School-all ages
- 12p Missions PC Mtg • E206
- 2p Grief Share Class • Fellowship Hall
- 3p Handbell Choir Rehearsal • Rehearsal Room
- 4:15p Student Ministry Band • E213
- 5:45p Awana
- 6p Student Small Groups • Student Worship Center  
Women's Bible Study • E204  
Mentoring Men • Sanctuary

### Monday, March 4

- 6p KidJAM Drama Walk-through • Sanctuary
- 7p College/Young Adult Bible Study • E213

### Tuesday, March 5

- 10a Young at Heart Choir Rehearsal • M116
- 12p Chat n Chew • E202

### Wednesday, March 6

- 8:45a Christian Yoga • E213
- 10a Women's Bible Study • M131/132
- 5:30p Fellowship Dinner • Fellowship Hall
- 6p Women's Bible Study • M131/132  
KidJAM 1st & 2nd grade Bells Rehearsal  
• Sanctuary
- 6:15p KidJAM
- 6:30p Mid-Week Study • Sanctuary  
PreJAM • Room 21  
Mentoring Men • E204  
Midweek Student Discipleship Groups  
• Student Worship Center

# COMMUNITY

## Sunday Attendance (February 25)

- 511 9a Worship
- 366 10:30a Worship
- 199 Mount Vernon Kids
- 87 Mount Vernon Students
- 414 Adult Bible Fellowship

**1,163 TOTAL On Campus Impact**  
(includes Worship, MV Kids & MV Students)

**470 TOTAL Online Impact**

## Sympathy

To the Family of Flo Clem  
To the Family of Carol Kidd

## Prayers From This Past Week (February 23-29)

Robyne Christie  
Courtney Hitchcock (daughter of Beverly Hudson)  
Joyce Humphreys (sister of Sharon Fitzgerald)  
Richard Ives  
David James (cousin of Carol Shumaker)  
Diane Morrison  
Jon Musick (friend of Brenda Powers)  
Betty Nash  
Brenda Powers  
Amanda Yoder

## Thank You

Susan Woodson thanks everyone for their prayers.

### 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



## BAPTISM SUNDAY

March 17

Take the next step in your faith journey.

## Interested in baptism?

Contact discipleship@mountvernon.church • 270-6600



## Staff Openings

**Children's Ministry Summer Intern**  
**Student Ministry Summer Intern**

Job Descriptions & Application

mountvernon.church/careers



## Online Giving

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## Gifts in Memory & Honor • February 2024

All gifts are credited to the building fund unless otherwise noted.

### In Memory of

**Carolyn Boykin**

Kristi Barrington  
Gwen Baucom  
James Boykin  
Stephanie Burchett  
Hugh & Cindy Conoly  
(Bereavement)

Joe & Susie Crenshaw  
(Bereavement)

Emmett & Lizzie Drewry  
Joe & Loretta Eskridge  
Margaret Hedrick  
John Henderson  
Jack Huber  
Elizabeth Hull  
Richard & Cheryl Ives

Andrea Lyon (Bereavement)

Joe & Betty Nash

Rose Nurney

Steve & Kim Roll  
(Benevolence)

Kathy Runnels  
(Benevolence)

Ronnie & Mary Stinson

Joan Winebarger

Lucille Wrenn

### In Memory of

**Connie Cowardin**

Retail Merchants Assoc.

**In Memory of Paul Nash**

Joe & Betty Nash

**In Memory of Tom O'Brien**

Deborah ABF Class  
(Bereavement)

### In Memory of

**Maria Elena Rodriguez**

Ronnie & Mary Stinson

**In Memory of Anne Runion**

John & Jean Grubbs  
(Memorial Park)

**In Memory of Jackie Sykes**

Steve Sykes  
(Memorial Park)

**In Memory of Harold**

**& Virginia Wermuth**

Jeff & Madeline Wright

Now We Live - Worldview Class • E210

7:30p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal • Choir Room

### Thursday, March 7

11a Primitimers • Fellowship Hall

6:15p CWT Vocal Rehearsal • Choir Room

7p CWT Rehearsal • Sanctuary

### Friday, March 8

7:45a Feeding the Hungry • M118

5p DNOW

### Saturday, March 9

DNOW

7:30a Men's Study • E220

10a Food Pantry Distribution • Door 5

Card Making Class • M131/132

# FEATURED EVENTS & RESOURCES

## DNOW 2024

### Disciple Now Weekend

Retreat designed to challenge students with the good news of Christ.

**March 8-10 • 6th-12th Grade**

**\$40 per student**

More Info & Register Online • [mountvernon.church/students](http://mountvernon.church/students)

### NEW WOMEN'S STUDIES

Sign Up • [mountvernon.church/women](http://mountvernon.church/women)  
Childcare available upon request



**Sundays • 6pm • March 3-May 5 • E204**

Book \$23

Led by Michelle Robertson



**Wednesdays • 10am • March 13-April 3 • M131**

Led by Dee Yarbrough & Kathy Parker • Book \$10

or **Wednesdays • 6pm • March 6-27 • M131**

Led by Angela Howerton • Book \$10

### Primetimers Program & Luncheon



**Thursday, March 7 • 11am • Fellowship Hall**  
**Shannon Gibson Brown**

**& Joshua Wortham**

will provide a variety of happy, uplifting songs

No reservation required • [mountvernon.church/seniors](http://mountvernon.church/seniors)

### Women's Spring Gathering BEE ENCOURAGED



**Saturday, April 13**

**1pm-3pm • Fellowship Hall**

Guests Speakers: Lydia Franklin (devotion)  
& Samantha Forbes, 1st Vice-President Programs,  
Richmond Beekeepers Association

**\$5 Tickets On Sale starting March 17 at the point**

Ticket includes Program & Lunch  
[mountvernon.church/women](http://mountvernon.church/women)



The Mount Vernon Student Ministry would like to continue to support our college students by sending them a small care package from their church family.

#### How Can You Help?

Take a box with a list of items at "the point", add items & return the box unsealed to the collection bin at "the Point" by Sunday, March 24.

**Other ways to help:** As an alternative to filling a box, you may donate online at [mountvernon.church/students](http://mountvernon.church/students)

### Mount Vernon Kids

## Easter Story Walk & Petting Zoo

**Saturday, March 23 • 2pm-4pm**

**Multipurpose Building**



Your whole family is invited to experience this immersive, interactive story walk, featuring "Twins the Morning of Easter".

Don't miss the Easter petting zoo, too!



is offering early entry, pre-registration required. Limited early entry time slots are available. Pre-register Online • [mountvernon.church/kids](http://mountvernon.church/kids)

Good Friday Service  
**MY SAVIOR'S love**

**Friday, March 29 • 6:30pm**

Beginning with a worship service in the Sanctuary, that leads outside to the raising of the cross.

In Person & Online • [mountvernon.church](http://mountvernon.church)

**easter**

AT MOUNT VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH

**Sunday, March 31 • 9am & 10:30am**

Worship & Sunday School

### Ecuador International Mission Trip Interest Meeting

**Sunday, March 10 • 12pm • E210**

Trip Dates: August 1-9 • Children's Ministry & Youth Outreach in Schools



### Interest Meeting

**Sunday, March 10 • 5pm • E206**

All men are invited.



## SUMMER CAMPS!

**VBS • July 15-19** (age 5- completed 6th grade)

**KampJAM • July 29-August 2** (completed 1st-5th grade)

Registration Opens March 24

**Student Summer Camp • June 24-28** (6th-12th grade)

Registration Open

## CONNECT WITH A CLASS Adult Bible Fellowship (ABF)

Opportunities for Bible Study,  
building relationships, prayer & service.  
[mountvernon.church/adults](http://mountvernon.church/adults)

### 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, Jerry LeFever

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: Bible Studies for Life

**The Bridge/18-25/E220**

Teacher: Daniel Gray, Dan Seedah,

Jeff & Sarah Randolph

Study/Topic: Bible Studies for Life

**Journey/Ages 30s-60s/M111**

Teacher: Tim & Teresa Boschen

Study/Topic: Galatians

**Lift/Ages 40s-60s/E203**

Teacher: Ronnie Bingham, Carole Forkey

Study/Topic: Bible Studies for Life

**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 Renfro

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, Carl & Lee Ann Lecheler

Study/Topic: James

## Sunday School Classes

**Mount Vernon Kids**

9a & 10:30a • Infants-Grade 5

[mountvernon.church/kids](http://mountvernon.church/kids)

**Mount Vernon Students**

9a E220 & 10:30a E213 • Grades 6-12

[mountvernon.church/students](http://mountvernon.church/students)



## Love Is An Essential Thing

### Song of Solomon 8:5-14

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- I. Love is Public 8:5
- II. Love is Private 8:5
- III. Love is Personal 8:6
- IV. Love is Protective 8:6
- V. Love is Possessive 8:6
- VI. Love is Powerful 8:6
- VII. Love is Persevering 8:7
- VIII. Love is Priceless 8:7
- IX. Love is Pure 8:8-9
- X. Love is Peaceful 8:10
- XI. Love is Privileged 8:11-12
- XII. Love is Particular 8:13-14

# worship order

**March 3, 2024**

**9am • Contemporary Service**

- Welcome
- Songs of Praise *House Of The Lord*  
*In Christ Alone (with The Solid Rock) Medley*
- Offertory Prayer
- Offertory *Jesus There's No One Like You*
- Sermon *Dr. Daniel L. Akin*  
*Love Is An Essential Thing • Song of Solomon 8:5-14*
- Invitation *At The Cross (Love Ran Red)*
- Lord's Supper
- Benediction *Amazing Grace*

**10:30am • Traditional Service**

- Welcome
- Songs of Praise *Leaning On The Everlasting Arms*  
*My Faith Has Found A Resting Place*  
*Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing*
- Offertory Prayer
- Offertory *Be Still*  
*Sanctuary Choir*
- Sermon *Dr. Daniel L. Akin*  
*Love Is An Essential Thing • Song of Solomon 8:5-14*
- Invitation *Speak To My Heart*
- Lord's Supper
- Benediction *Amazing Grace*

