

Primetimers Newsletter

APRIL 2025



"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you,..." 1 Peter 1:3-4 (NIV)

Primetimers Program

Thursday, April 3, 2025 - Program 11am

Welcome Yvonne Johnson, Mistress of Ceremonies

"The Old Rugged Cross Made the Difference"

Greeting & Opening Prayer Rev. Jerry Parker Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care - MVBC

Devotional Mary Stinson

Announcements Yvonne Johnson

Introduction & Welcome of First-Time Guests

Wanda Reid, Program Hostess

Celebration of April Birthdays Wanda Reid

Recognition of April Wedding Anniversaries Wanda Reid

Travel Announcements Nancy & Charles Hudson, Travel Coordinators

Introduction & Welcome to Guests

Tommy Christian, Program Coordinator

Guests Bruce & Gail Schoonmaker

Closing Remarks & Blessing for the Food

Yvonne Johnson

Dismissing Tables by Numbers for Luncheon

Overhead Screen



Prayer Requests

mountvernon.church/prayer

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

Family of Steven Bolt (nephew of Barry Whitehead)

PRAYER

Delores Atkins Velvie Bennett Virginia Coleman Hugh Conoly Alta Mae Gibson Haley Cole (father of Karen Wright) Emma Jones Wayne Kimble Tom Morrissette Mason Nuckols Marge Smith



Welcome Guests: Bruce & Gail Schoonmaker

Bruce & Gail Schoonmaker grew up in Charlotte, North Carolina and have been involved in music and singing since they were children in church. Both graduated from Furman University with degrees in music. They married, then moved to Evanston, Illinois and studied Voice Performance at Northwestern University. There they sang in the Chicago Symphony Chorus and with opera and musical groups in the Chicago area. In 1977, they moved to Greenville to serve on the music faculty at Furman. In addition to teaching, both of them performed with various symphonies, chorale groups and opera theaters. Bruce has performed in concerts in France, Italy, Japan and Austrailia. In 2018, they retired and in 2021, they moved to Richmond to be close to family. They currently perform for retirement homes, churches and other venues.

Primetimers' Senior Adults

Iravel Time

Thursday, July 10 - Kennedy Center, Les Misérables Experience the Tony Award-winning musical that changed the world of theater at a matinee performance at the Kennedy Center! Set against the backdrop of 19thcentury France, *Les Misérables* tells an enthralling story of broken dreams and unrequited love, passion, sacrifice, and redemption—a timeless testament to the survival of the human spirit. Following the performance, we will enjoy dinner at the Ristorante Renato in Fredericksburg! Due at sign up: \$180

(includes transportation, orchestra ticket & dinner).

October 7-10 -The Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania Including A Tour of Millionaires Row in Williamsport

This 4 day/3 night tour will be based in Williamsport, PA and will include a day trip to the Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania. The Grand Canyon, also referred to as the Pine Creek Gorge, stretches for over 45 miles with depths of nearly 1,500 feet. The dynamic topography creates many scenic wonders including steep canyon walls and waterfalls. You will experience the Upper Gorge on the Grand Canyon Covered Wagon Tour and get a chance to observe the 800-foot deep, glaciallycarved canyon from the Overlook! In Williamsport, a costumed guide will take us on a tour of Millionaires Row, including a visit to the Rowley House built in 1888 for E. A. Rowley, one of the wealthiest men in Pennsylvania as well as the Thomas T. Taber Museum. In the Museum, explore galleries including A Journey Through Time, Lumbering Heritage, American Indian and the Shempp Model Train Collection. A sightseeing cruise on the Susquehanna River aboard the Hiawatha will round out the day. Tour will include 3 nights lodging, 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners including the historic Peter Herdic House and the Carriage House. Cost: \$675 double occupancy; \$900 single. A deposit of \$250 will secure your reservation.

Tues, Nov.11-Wed, Nov. 12 - Sight & Sound's "Noah" & American Music Theater's Christmas Show

Set sail inside the enormous ark as this extraordinary story comes to life in the special 30th Anniversary season of "Noah". You will not want to miss this landmark production that takes you on board one of the world's best-known voyages as live animals fill the stage and aisles. The following day, Christmas fills the air as we enjoy the American Music Theater's production "Deck the Halls." We will have dinner at Miller's Smorgasbord and lunch at the newly reopened Hershey Farm Restaurant! Cost is \$350 per person double occupancy and \$420 for a single. Reserve your seat with a \$100 deposit due at sign up.

All trip info - destination, date & price - is subject to change. mountvernon.church/seniors Travel Time Info Contact: **Charles & Nancy Hudson:** (804) 542-2695 or nancycharles.hudson@gmail.com

Opportunities for all Senior Adults



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 11 Ellen Bush **Rick Leary Evelyn Candler** Jane Narro 2 Kathie Price Jack Maltby Kathleen Price Linda Miles **Robert Weagley** Melanie Payne 12 Rose Robertson **Bunette Buckholtz** 3 13 **Daniel Mericle** Anne Bryant Δ 14 Ellen Garrett Linda Davis Shirley Holmes Jean Meyer Mary Lynn Parker Bobby Mothershead 5 Carole Shahda Vivian Rowsey Anne Simpson Maxine Williams 15 6 Marie Koenig Kitly Bagby Radford **Richard Jarvis** Moneymaker 7 16 **Bill Prout** Bill Paul 9 17 Sara Bull David Epstein Judson Howell Joe Jones 10 Bruce Kennedy Judy Britt Karen Maltby Joanne Davis 18 Phyllis Owens Jo Durrer

Libby McCluan Jim Smith 21 Nick Londino **Doug Messimer** Joyce Stinson 23 Sandra Atkinson 24 Bobbi Alsop **Barry Whitehead** Linda Wilson 25 Wilburn Doyle 26 Pete Gibson Elise Hicks Susan Woodson 27 Carol Miller 28 Carolyn Milby John Payne Barbara Powell 29 Ed Anderson Julie Kuykendall

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APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Michael & Maria Lindell - 66 yrs Les & Sara Robson - 44 yrs 5 Robert & Diane Gooch - 28 yrs 6 John & Susan Patterson - 40 yrs 7 Tim & Mary Lynn Parker - 46 yrs 11 Dwight & Shelly Webb - 55 yrs 16 Archa & Nancy Robertson - 9 yrs 20 Charles & Rose Clark - 62 yrs Greg & Diane Morrison - 57 yrs 23 Bruce & Rita Kennedy - 9 yrs 24 Bob & Pam Boteler - 59 yrs 25 Paul & Beatrice Peyton - 38 yrs If you & your spouse want your

If you & 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

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Monthly Program & Lunch

2025



Thursday, May 1 Will provide a combined program of music.



Young at Heart Choir

Dr. David Clay Thursday, June 5 Will present a "Story Telling" program of his childhood experiences growing up.



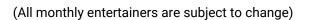
Smokey Wilson Thursday, July 3 Will present his ministry through song.







Amy Ladd Thursday, September 4 Will share a little country and a lot of gospel.



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.

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

PRIMETIMERS NAME TAGS

Permanent name tags can be purchased to wear for Primetimers' travel & events. Name tags are \$5 each payable when ordered. INFO: Charles & Nancy Hudson (804) 542-2695 **JOKE of the DAY** Q: What is the Easter Bunny's

A: IHOP !

favorite restaurant?