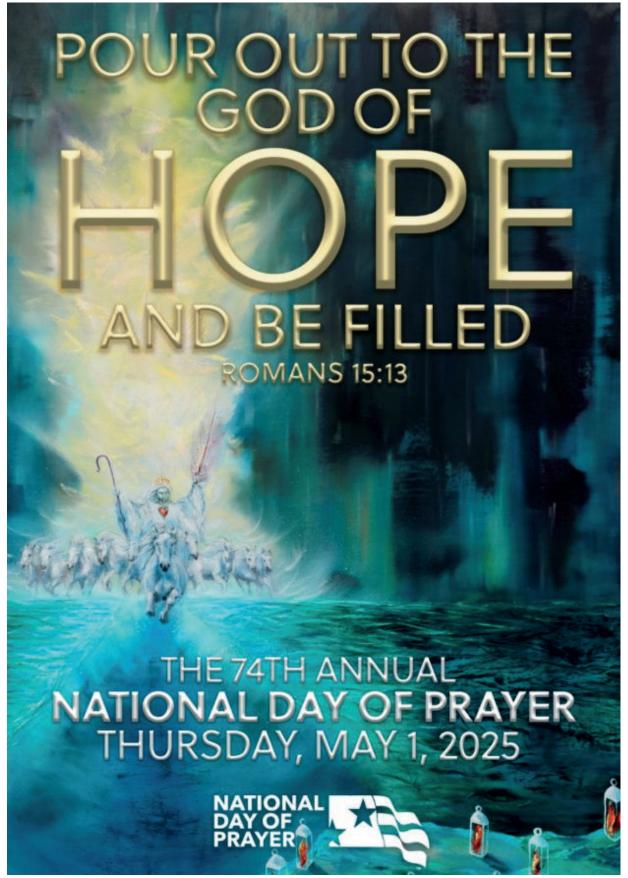


Primetimers Newsletter

MAY 2025



Primetimers Program

Thursday, May 1, 2025 - Program 11am Welcome

Yvonne Johnson, Program Coordinator

Greeting & Opening Prayer

Rev. Jerry Parker Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care - MVBC

Devotional

Dr. Ray Franklin

Introduction of Guests: Children of Mount Vernon Preschool

Laura Cottrell, Preschool Director - MVBC

Guests

Children of Mount Vernon Preschool

Introduction of Guests: Mount Vernon Young at Heart Choir

Dr. John Sullivan Associate Pastor for Worship Arts- MVBC

Guests

Mount Vernon Young at Heart Choir

Announcements

Yvonne Johnson

Introduction & Welcome of First-Time Guests

Wanda Reid, Program Hostess

Celebration of May Birthdays

Wanda Reid

Recognition of May Wedding Anniversaries

Wanda Reid

Travel Announcements

Charles & Nancy Hudson, Travel Coordinators

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 Delores Atkins
Family of Haley Cole, Jr. (father of Karen Wright)
Family of Julia Langborgh
(granddaughter of Joe & Margie Benkovics)
Family of Ed McMeans
Family of Dr. Loressa Cole (sister of Rick Cole)

PRAYER

Margie Benkovics
Nelson Boykin
Edward Chin (friend of Linda Lau)
Virginia Coleman
Judy Dunn
Alta Mae Gibson
Wayne Kimble
Pat Moneymaker
Mason Nuckols
Mary Lynn Parker
Betty Perry
Dwight Webb

Opportunities for all Senior Adults



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

Volunteer Opportunities in Summer 2025

KampJAM: June 16-20 Vacation Bible School: July 14-18

Sign Up to Volunteer Online: mountvernon.church/kids

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

Welcome Guests: Mount Vernon Preschool & Young at Heart Choir



Mount Vernon Preschool is a weekday preschool & kindergarten ministry of MVBC. There are currently 165 children ranging in age from 2 years through 6 years old who attend two, three, four or five days each week. The goal is to help children grow as Jesus grew—in wisdom, stature and in favor with God and man.



We welcome the Young at Heart Choir as they perform their annual spring concert. The choir has been practicing and performing for special events, for residents at assisted living and rehab facilities, nursing homes and senior adult gatherings at other churches. The choir welcomes new members, men & women, of the church & community.

Primetimers' Senior Adults Travel 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 19th-century France, *Les Misérables* tells an enthralling story of broken dreams and unrequited love, passion, sacrifice, & 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, ticket & dinner)

Tuesday-Friday, October 7-10 The Grand Canyon of Pennsylvania Includes Millionaires Row Tour 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' deep, glacially-carved 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. Cost includes 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.

Final payment is due July 3rd!!

Tuesday-Wednesday, November 11-12 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 & 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 & 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. **FINAL PAYMENT is due September 4**th!

National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 1, 2025

On the National Day of Prayer, people of different faiths are invited to pray for the United States of America & its leaders. It is held on the first Thursday of May and in 2025, it is being observed today, Thursday, May 1.

The very first day of prayer was declared in 1775 by the Continental Congress, which asked people to pray for the fledging 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 Thanksgiving Day.

Almost a century later, President Truman oversaw the establishment of the spring tradition of prayer & 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 of 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 & 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.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

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1	13	19
Lloyd Bromley	Michael Vines	Libby McCluan
MaryLou Mason	Pam White	Jim Smith
2	14	21
Linda Almond	Rose Clark	Nick Londino
Pat Barth	Gary Maltby	Doug Messimer
Fred Bullock	Beatrice Peyton	Joyce Stinson
Jean Domurat	15	23
Deborah Williams		Sandra Atkinson
4	Kakki Aydlotte	24
loe Crenshaw	Carolyn Leary	Bobbi Alsop
Lee France	Dianne Pollock	Barry Whitehead
6	Anna Wells	Linda Wilson
Bob Botkin	Jean Wildbore	25
	16	Wilburn Doyle
Lorraine Powers	Jim Dickerson	26
7	Betty Leap	
odi Anderson-Jones	17	Pete Gibson
8	Andrea Overman	Elise Hicks
Shirley Foutz	Phyllis Waters	Susan Woodson
Don Swanson	18	27
Susie Trible	Charles Anderson	Carol Miller
10	Vickie Gidley	28
Kathy Dyer	19	Carolyn Milby
11	Marlene Austin	John Payne
Linda Frye	Hatcher Cole	Barbara Powell
Rachel Smith	20	29
Michelle Stetter	Linda Allen	Ed Anderson
12	Steve Burton	Julie Kuykendall
Bob Wildbore		-
_ 3000010	Dave Driver	

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

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

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Ronnie & Anne Maxey - 57 yrs 7

Cindy & Thomas Wright - 26 yrs

Joe & Barbara Broach - 22 yrs Pete & Yvonne Johnson - 44 yrs

11 Pam & Mark Abrams - 18 yrs

16 John & Anita French - 64 yrs

Edward & Janet Arnold - 51 yrs 20

John & Terri West - 32 yrs 21

Kenny & Linda Campbell - 42 yrs 23

Donald & Susie Hudson - 38 yrs

24 Bob & Lynn Lee - 56 yrs

Rob & Alison Peck - 39 yrs 26

Tim & Mary Jane Turner - 46 yrs

David & Betsy Payne- 48 yrs Cesar & Linda Paz - 36 yrs

Jim & Bonnie Spain - 65 yrs

29 erta Rucke

Larry & Roberta Rucker - 54 yrs 30

Dwight & Kelley Gordon 33 yrs Bob & Libby McCluan - 27 yrs

Primetimers Programs

Monthly Program & Lunch

2025

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.



Donald Coles Thursday, August 7

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



Amy Ladd Thursday, September 4

Will share a little country and a lot of gospel.



Paul Muller "The Company Storekeeper" Thursday, October 2, 2025

(All monthly entertainers are subject to change)

The Connecting Point contains all MVBC opportunities for worship, prayer, outreach, learning, serving and fellowship.

Online: mountvernon.church/connectingpoint

If you & your spouse want your anniversary to be in the newsletter, leave info at the Registration Table. Give the names of the couple, anniversary date & number of years married. 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.



JOKE OF THE DAY !!????

Q: Name a bow that can't be tied.

A: A Rainbow

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