

# love

## beyond measure

### Through 1 John

## 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 • August 24, 31, September 7 & 14  
10:30am • Fellowship Hall

Register online • [mountvernon.church/discover](https://mountvernon.church/discover)



### Panama International Mission Trip Prayer Calendar

Pickup at the missions point or download:  
[mountvernon.church/missions](https://mountvernon.church/missions)



## Tithes & Offerings

for the Fiscal Year • 7/1/25-6/30/26

As of August 24, 2025

Annual Tithes & Offerings Budget	\$4,750,000
YTD Budgeted	\$651,654
YTD Receipts	\$673,965
Weekly Receipts - Budgeted	\$80,726
Actual Receipts - Last Week	\$88,668
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$22,311
Annual Building Fund Budget	\$310,947
YTD Budgeted	\$30,488
YTD Receipts	\$25,734
Weekly Receipts - Budgeted	\$3,811
Actual Receipts - Last Week	\$1,906
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$(4,754)

### Ministerial Staff Email

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### Adult Bible Fellowship

9am & 10:30am • All Ages  
Opportunities for Bible Study,  
building relationships, prayer & service  
[mountvernon.church/adults](http://mountvernon.church/adults)

### Mount Vernon Kids

9am & 10:30am • Infants-Grade 5  
[mountvernon.church/kids](http://mountvernon.church/kids)

### Mount Vernon Students

10:30am • Grades 6-12  
[mountvernon.church/students](http://mountvernon.church/students)

## August 31-September 6

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

Office Hours: 9am-4:30pm M-F

### Sunday, August 31

- 8a Bus Ministry
- Deacon-led Prayer • E210
- 9a Contemporary Worship
- Sunday School - children & adults
- 10:30a Traditional Worship
- Sunday School - all ages
- Discover Mount Vernon • Fellowship Hall
- 12p ABF Teacher Lunch • Fellowship Hall
- 3:45p Student Worship Arts • E213/218/220
- 5:45p Awana

## Sunday Attendance (August 24)

### Groups

500	Adult Bible Fellowship
105	Mount Vernon Students
215	Mount Vernon Kids

### Worship

659	9am Contemporary Worship
492	10:30am Traditional Worship

1,151	<b>TOTAL Worship</b>
1,471	<b>TOTAL On Campus Impact</b> (includes Worship, MV Kids & MV Students)

393	TOTAL Online Impact
2,900	Average Weekly Television Audience homes

## Sympathy

Family of Sally Slaymaker (mother of Susan Burger)

## Prayers From This Past Week (August 22-28)

Joann Allen (friend of Sharon Fitzgerald)

Mike DeMoss

Linda Radel

Steven Collins (son of Dick & Marilyn Collins)

Ivan Shimp

### Submit Your Prayer Request:

[mountvernon.church/prayer](http://mountvernon.church/prayer) • MVBC app  
email [pray@mountvernon.church](mailto:pray@mountvernon.church) • (804) 270-6600  
Looking for a previous week's list?  
Email [pray@mountvernon.church](mailto:pray@mountvernon.church)

## Wednesday Fellowship Dinners

### Wednesday, September 3 • 5:30pm-6:30pm

Salad, Homemade Lasagna & Baked Spaghetti,  
Italian Style Green Beans, Rolls/Butter, Cake  
Gluten Free - Salad, Homemade Lasagna & Spaghetti  
(GF noodles), Italian Style Green Beans, Dessert  
Children's - Mini Pizza, Macaroni & Cheese,  
Fruit/Applesauce 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 • 12pm**

[mountvernon.church/dinner](http://mountvernon.church/dinner) or (804) 270-6600



## Weekly Enews

Sign Up: [mountvernon.church/resources](http://mountvernon.church/resources)

- 6p Student Small Group • E213
- Mentoring Men • Sanctuary

### Monday, September 1

Church Office & Buildings Closed

### Tuesday, September 2

- 10a Young at Heart Choir Rehearsal • M116
- 12p Chat n Chew • E210

### Wednesday, September 3

- 8:45a Christian Yoga • E213
- 10a Women's Bible Study • E213
- 4p Mount Vernon on Mission Prayer • M106
- 5p Food Pantry Packing • M114
- Fellowship Dinner • Fellowship Hall
- 6p Women's Bible Study • M131/132
- 6:15p KidJAM
- 6:30p Mid-Week Study • Sanctuary
- Student Discipleship Groups • E213

## Deacon-led Prayer

Sundays  
8am-8:30am • E210

Praying that the Lord would bless and be glorified during  
Sunday morning activities. Everyone is welcome.

## MOUNT VERNON MISSION Prayer

Wednesdays  
4pm-5pm • M106

Praying for missions & ministries of the church.  
Everyone is welcome.

Partnership with the  
INTERNATIONAL MISSION BOARD

## Cultural Worship Experience

Sunday, September 14 • 6pm-7pm

You are invited to immerse yourself in a special Cultural Worship Experience with the IMB trainees. Worship looks different around the world, and this evening will provide a glimpse into how believers from other cultures express their devotion to God in ways that reflect their unique backgrounds. Come ready to participate & learn in a setting that mirrors real-life worship overseas! This is a chance for you to step out of the familiar and embrace new worship perspectives.

**RSVP Online • [mountvernon.church/missions](http://mountvernon.church/missions)**

Note: Deadline to signup is Sept 10.

For MV members & regular attendees.

Women: Please bring a scarf to cover your heads.

Location: International Learning Center (ILC)

16492 MLC Lane Rockville, VA 23146

## New Missionaries Commissioning

Thursday, September 18 • 2pm-3:30pm

This time is a powerful send off as Missionary Training participants are being deployed to the field for His glory! MVBC is invited to attend the Commissioning Service as IMB guests with the missionaries.

**RSVP Online • [mountvernon.church/missions](http://mountvernon.church/missions)**

Deadline to signup is Sept 15.

Location: International Learning Center (ILC)

16492 MLC Lane Rockville, VA 23146

## Staff Openings

Job Descriptions & Apply Online: [mountvernon.church/careers](http://mountvernon.church/careers)

**Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries (full time)**

**Facilities & Grounds Assistant (part time)**

**Audio/Visual Technician (part time)**

Mentoring Men • E204

JAM & PreJAM • 21/22

7:30p Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal • Choir Room

### Thursday, September 4

- 11a Primetimers Program & Luncheon
- Fellowship Hall

6:15p CWT Vocal Rehearsal • Choir Room

7p CWT Rehearsal • Sanctuary

### Friday, September 5

7:45a Feeding the Hungry • Kitchen

### Saturday, September 6

7:30a Men's Study • E210

- 9a Communion Preparation
- Rehearsal Room 2

10a Food Pantry Distribution • Door 5



# FEATURED EVENTS

## MENTORING

### NEW Study from Pastor Josh

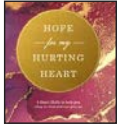
Sunday • Live 6pm • starts Aug 31  
Wednesday • Video 6:30pm • starts Sept 3

Register Online  
[mountvernon.church/men](http://mountvernon.church/men)  
Men 18+  
\$10 "More Like The Master" Book

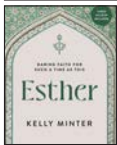


## NEW WOMEN'S STUDIES

Sign Up • [mountvernon.church/women](http://mountvernon.church/women)



**Hope for my Hurting Heart**  
by Linda Dillow  
Sun • 6pm • starts Sept 7  
Books \$14 • E204  
Led by Michelle Robertson



**Esther** by Kelly Minter  
Wed • 10am • E213 • starts Aug 20  
Wed • 6pm • M131/132 • starts Sept 3  
Books \$20  
10am Led by Dee Yarbrough & Kathy Parker  
6pm Led by Angela Howerton



**Ephesians, verse by verse**  
Thurs • 2pm • starts Sept 18  
No Book Needed • M131/132  
Led by Nancy Crutcher



**A fun-filled, Bible-based  
discipleship program for kids.**

Sundays, Aug 31-May 17  
5:45pm-7:30pm  
Ages 3 years old-5th grade  
Cost: \$25  
Register Online  
[mountvernon.church/kids](http://mountvernon.church/kids)



Jesus • Arts • Music

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



**Current 1st-5th Grade**  
Wed. • 6:15pm-7:30pm  
August-May  
2 Sessions & 2 Tracks  
Session 1: Aug 20-Dec 17  
Session 2: Jan 7-May 27

Performing Arts Track & Art & Missions Track  
Track Info Online • [mountvernon.church/kids](http://mountvernon.church/kids)



age 4-K; all year  
Wed • 6:30pm-7:30pm  
A fun, music  
& missions program.

## Women's Fellowship Café

Finding & Fostering Friendships

**Friday, September 19**

6:30pm • Fellowship Hall  
Come gather for a time of fun,  
tailgate food & fellowship.  
RSVP Online • [mountvernon.church/women](http://mountvernon.church/women)

## Women's Workshops



Learn to...  
**Quilting & Sewing Class**

**Saturday, Sept 20 & 27 • 10am-1pm • M131**  
Cost: \$5/person (supply list emailed after registering)  
**Beginner Sewing Project:** Baby Blankets  
that will go to East End Pregnancy Center  
Online Registration Required  
[mountvernon.church/women](http://mountvernon.church/women)

[mountvernon.church/events](http://mountvernon.church/events)  
[mountvernonva](http://mountvernonva)

## Virginia Missions Offering

**Church Goal: \$14,000**

**Give Online:** [mountvernon.church/give](http://mountvernon.church/give)  
Offering Envelopes Available at Missions Point & Point Desk



Alma Hunt  
Offering, BGAV  
[almahunt.org](http://almahunt.org)



Vision Virginia,  
SBCVa  
[sbccv.org/visionvirginia](http://sbccv.org/visionvirginia)



Grieving the loss of someone close  
to you? Find comfort & support  
at Griefshare.

**Sept 7-Nov 16**  
**2pm-3:30pm**

13-week grief support group.

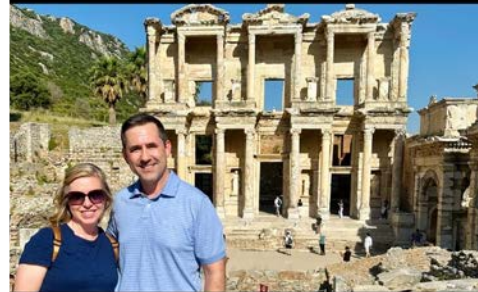
You can join at any time!

Register Online  
[mountvernon.church/griefshare](http://mountvernon.church/griefshare)

## SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION & GREEK ISLES CRUISE

with Dr. Josh & Lydia Franklin

**APRIL 29-MAY 9, 2026**



## Information Meeting

**Sunday, September 7**

**12pm • Fellowship Hall**

We will explore all Seven Churches from the Book of Revelation, visit many of the sites around the Greek Isles, including Patmos, where John wrote the Book of Revelation, and then visit the historic city of Athens.

You don't have to wait -  
you can secure your spot today!  
[mountvernon.church/events](http://mountvernon.church/events)



## Primetimers Senior/Adults Program & Luncheon



**Thursday, September 4**  
**11am • Fellowship Hall**  
**Amy Ladd Harlow**

will provide a combined program of  
a "little country & a lot of gospel".  
Optional: Wear your country western attire.

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

## APOLOGETICS STUDY



USING QUESTIONS TO  
ANSWER CHRISTIANITY'S  
TOUGHEST CHALLENGES

**Wednesdays,**  
**Sept 17-Nov 19**  
6:30pm-7:30pm  
M116 • Book \$15

Facilitator:  
Pastor Gary Robertson

Sign Up Online  
[mountvernon.church/missions](http://mountvernon.church/missions)

**Tuesday, December 9 • 7pm**

3 Tiers of Open Seating:  
\$65 Artist Circle • \$45 Gold Circle  
\$25 General Admission

**Order Tickets Online**  
[mountvernon.church/worshiparts](http://mountvernon.church/worshiparts)

Mount Vernon \$5 Discount Code: CFAM  
(off for General Ad. & Gold Circle)  
All KIDS AGES 14 & UNDER enter for FREE with their  
paid/ticketed parents - ONLY for the GOLD CIRCLE  
& GENERAL ADMISSION seating

## Leslie van den Berg's Thailand Mission Trip Sharing Report

**September 12 • 6pm-7pm • E213**

Everyone is invited.  
Dessert Provided.



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Saturday, September 27**  
**8:30am • Fellowship Hall**

Every Man's  
Rescue Mission  
Speaker: Pastor Josh

**FREE Event**  
Register Online  
[mountvernon.church/men](http://mountvernon.church/men)





## Your Defense Against Deception 1 John 2:18-27

Dr. Josh Franklin • Senior Pastor

# worship

**August 31, 2025**

## 9am • Contemporary Service

Welcome

Songs of Praise

*Great Things*

*What An Awesome God*

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

*Thank You Jesus For The Blood*

Sermon

Dr. Josh Franklin

Your Defense Against Deception • 1 John 2:18-27

Invitation

*How Marvelous*

Benediction

## 10:30am • Traditional Service

Welcome

Songs of Praise

*Praise Him Praise Him*

*Leaning On The Everlasting Arms*

*Speak O Lord*

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

*Holy Is He*

Sanctuary Choir

Sermon

Dr. Josh Franklin

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Invitation

*Be Thou My Vision*

Benediction

Let's connect!

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