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December 21, 2025

Sunday Worship Services
9am Contemporary & 10:30am Traditional
mountvernon.church • MVBC app • Facebook • YouTube
11:30am Broadcast CW Richmond • mountvernon.church/tv

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 **Mount Vernon**
Baptist Church

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11220 Nuckols Road • Glen Allen, VA 23059
(804) 270-6600



Online Giving

mountvernon.church/give

Text "Give" to (833) 921-6485

Tithe & Offerings

for the Fiscal Year • 7/1/25-6/30/26

As of December 14, 2025

Annual Tithes & Offerings Budget	\$4,750,000
YTD Budgeted	\$2,035,697
YTD Receipts	\$2,117,149
Weekly Receipts - Budgeted	\$83,993
Actual Receipts - Last Week	\$108,313
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$81,452
Annual Building Fund Budget	\$310,947
YTD Budgeted	\$119,657
YTD Receipts	\$102,027
Weekly Receipts - Budgeted	\$3,811
Actual Receipts - Last Week	\$6,061
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$(17,630)

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Adult Bible Fellowship

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

Mount Vernon Kids

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

Mount Vernon Students

10:30am • Grades 6-12
mountvernon.church/students

December 21-27

mountvernon.church/events

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

Sunday, December 21

- 8a Bus Ministry
- Deacon-led Prayer • E210
- 9a Contemporary Worship
- Sunday School - Children & Adults
- 10:30a Traditional Worship
- Sunday School - all ages
- 3:45p Student Worship Arts • E213/218/220
- 5:45p Awana
- 6p Student Small Groups
 - Student Worship Center
- MENToring • Sanctuary

Monday, December 22

Tuesday, December 23

- 5p Food Pantry Packing • M114

Sunday Attendance (December 14)

Groups

372	Adult Bible Fellowship
81	Mount Vernon Students
211	Mount Vernon Kids

Worship

665	9am Contemporary Worship
469	10:30am Traditional Worship

1,134	TOTAL Worship
1,426	TOTAL On Campus Impact (includes Worship, MV Kids & MV Students)

591	TOTAL Online Impact
3,200	Average Weekly Television Audience homes

New Members (December 14)



Darrell Herndon
Baptism Candidate

Prayers From This Past Week (Dec 12-18)

Diane Simmons

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

MOUNT VERNON MISSION Prayer

Wednesdays
4pm-5pm • M106

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

Deacon-led Prayer

Sundays
8am-8:30am • E210

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

Wednesday, December 24

Church Office Closed

- 8:45a Christian Yoga • E213
- 1p Christmas Eve Worship Service • Sanctuary
- 3p Christmas Eve Worship Service • Sanctuary
- 5p Christmas Eve Worship Service • Sanctuary

Thursday, December 25

Church Office Closed

Friday, December 26

Church Office Closed

Saturday, December 27

- 7:30a Men's Study • E210
- 10a Food Pantry Distribution • Door 5

Sunday Night Programming canceled: Dec 28

**Midweek Dinner & Programming canceled:
Dec 24 & 31**

COMMUNITY

MISSION Spotlight

mountvernon.church/missions

December 2025

OCC Warehouse Participation

17 MVBC members went to Charlotte
& 6 went to Baltimore

Total of OCC boxes given from MVBC

2,411

Food Pantry Christmas

Gave out 50 special Christmas bags to the needy

Gifts in Memory & Honor

Posted on the first Sunday of every month.

Email dyarbrough@mountvernon.church
for a previous month's list.

2025 CONTRIBUTIONS GUIDELINES FOR YEAR-END GIVING

Giving is important to you & to our church. Please read the following statement which has been developed from the IRS guidelines & the church's holiday schedule to eliminate any confusion regarding the tax deductibility of your 2025 contributions at year end.

- The church office will be open only until 12 Noon on the following days to receive hand delivered contributions: Mon. Dec. 29; Tues. Dec. 30; & Wed. Dec 31.
- All collections received in the Sun. Dec. 28 offering, regardless of the dates shown, will be treated as 2025 contributions.
- We have three deposit drop boxes for receiving contributions. Locations: Box 1 - Outside Door 12, Box 2 - in the Worship Center Lobby, Box 3 - Second floor by the Church Office Door (labeled "Mail"). All items deposited in these drop boxes will be collected before closing the church on Wed. Dec. 31 at 12 Noon and will be considered 2025 contributions. All contributions deposited in these boxes after 12 Noon on Tues. Dec. 31 will be treated as 2026 contributions.
- Online Giving can be used to make contributions until 11:59 p.m. on Wed. Dec.31 for 2025 contributions.

To give online: mountvernon.church/give


- Under the "Postmark Exception Rule," checks that are dated, mailed and display a postmark no later than Dec. 31, WILL BE recognized as 2025 contributions, even if the mail is received by the church after Jan. 1, 2026. Any envelopes postmarked after Dec. 31 must be treated as 2026 contributions.

Giving Statements

will be emailed by January 31.

The email will come from pushpay.com.


Questions? Contact dyarbrough@mountvernon.church



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We've purchased unlimited access to thousands of Christian videos and are giving free access to everyone in our church.



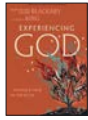
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FEATURED EVENTS

NEW WOMEN'S STUDIES

Sign Up • mountvernon.church/women



Experiencing God by Henry Blackaby
Sundays • 6pm-7:30pm • starts Jan 4
Books \$18 • E204
Led by Michelle Robertson



Colossians: Fullness of Life in Christ
by Lydia Brownback
Tuesdays • 12pm & 2:15pm • Jan 6-March 10
Books \$9 • E210
Led by Caren Cummings



Revelation by Jen Wilkin
Wednesdays • Jan 7-March 11
10am-12pm (E213) & 6pm-7:30pm (M131)
Books \$22
10am Led by Dee Yarbrough & Kathy Parker
6pm Led by Angela Howerton



The High Calling of the Christian, 1 Corinthians, verse by verse
Thursdays • 2pm • Jan 8-April 30
No Book Needed • M131/132
Led by Nancy Crutcher

Women's Workshops

Learn to...



Bread Making Class

Thursday, January 29 • 6pm-9pm • M131

Cost: \$10 per person • Participants: 18+ women
Supply List Emailed After Registration

Register Online • mountvernon.church/women

Quilting/Sewing Ministry



NEW Ministry
First Saturday Each Month
10am-1pm • M131/132

Participants: 18+ women & all skill levels

Sign Up Online • mountvernon.church/women

December 21 • Lesson 14
Sexual Purity: Winning the Silent Battle

MENTORING

NEW Study from Pastor Josh

Sunday • Live 6pm & Wednesday • Video 6:30pm
mountvernon.church/men

mountvernon.church/events
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Christmas
AT MOUNT VERNON

mountvernon.church/christmas

CHRISTMAS EVE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24
1PM, 3PM & 5PM

Childcare available for ages 3 & under

SPECIAL Christmas Day
Worship Broadcast • 4pm • Channel 12

12
On Your Side

TOGETHER

Mount Vernon Goal
\$175,000

GIVE ONLINE mountvernon.church/give
As of December 14 • \$53,591

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING®

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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!



Primetimers Program + Luncheon



Thursday, January 8
11am • Fellowship Hall

True Spirit Gospel Band
will present a gospel program in song & music.

No reservation required • mountvernon.church/seniors

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, January 4, 11, 18, & 25
9am • Fellowship Hall

Register online mountvernon.church/discover



PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION
2 years old - Kindergarten

Registration Opens:

- January 15 Current Students
 - January 29 Former & New Students
- As one of the ministries of MVBC, Mount Vernon Preschool serves the community by providing the best in preschool education and by witnessing how Jesus Christ can change lives. Our main purpose is to provide Christian care and to nurture your child cognitively, physically, spiritually, socially and emotionally.

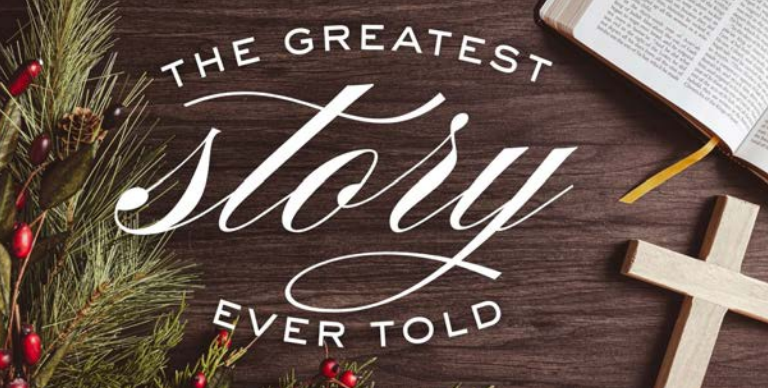
Register Online mvbcpreschool.org

(804) 935-0162 • Director: Laura Cottrell



Weekly Enews

Sign Up: mountvernon.church/resources



**ACT III - EXPECTATION:
The Promise of the Story**
Isaiah 7:14 • Matthew 1:22-23

Dr. Josh Franklin • Senior Pastor

worship

December 21, 2025

9am • Contemporary Service

Welcome

Advent Reading & Lighting the Candle of Love Domroes Family

Baptism

Rev. Clayton Carnall

Darrell Herndon

Songs of Praise

The Joy/Joy to the World

Manger Throne

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

God With Us

Sermon

Dr. Josh Franklin

ACT III - EXPECTATION: The Promise of the Story

Isaiah 7:14 • Matthew 1:22-23

Invitation

Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)

Benediction

10:30am • Traditional Service

Welcome

Advent Reading & Lighting the Candle of Joy Domroes Family

Baptism

Rev. Clayton Carnall

Nora Thruston • Jackie McCay

Songs of Praise

Hark The Herald Angels Sing

One Small Child

Emmanuel

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Nativity Song

Sanctuary Choir • Narrator: Randy Davis

Sermon

Dr. Josh Franklin

ACT III - EXPECTATION: The Promise of the Story

Isaiah 7:14 • Matthew 1:22-23

Invitation

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Benediction

Let's connect!

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