

Love

beyond measure

Through 1 John

a series through Joshua

COURAGEOUS
faith

NEW Sermon Series starts Sunday, January 11

Join Pastor Josh each week, starting Sunday, January 11, for an incredible journey through the Book of Joshua. God's people stood at the edge of their promised land, facing fortified cities, giant enemies, and impossible odds. They didn't need a better strategy, but "**Courageous Faith**"! Over the coming weeks, we'll discover how to move forward when paths seem impossible, find grace in unlikely places, take confident steps into God's will, and experience victory through His power rather than our own. This isn't just ancient history - it's YOUR story. God is calling you to move beyond your comfort zone and overcome your obstacles through His power.

Joshua 1:9 says, "*Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.*"

Don't miss this sermon series! Invite a friend and discover together what it means to live with **COURAGEOUS FAITH**!



Tithes & Offerings

for the Fiscal Year • 7/1/25-6/30/26
As of December 28, 2025

Annual Tithes & Offerings Budget	\$4,750,000
YTD Budgeted	\$2,256,114
YTD Receipts	\$2,369,290
Weekly Receipts - Budgeted	\$92,693
Actual Receipts - Last Week	\$121,369
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$113,176
Annual Building Fund Budget	\$310,947
YTD Budgeted	\$155,475
YTD Receipts	\$135,475
Weekly Receipts - Budgeted	\$32,004
Actual Receipts - Last Week	\$1,747
YTD Over (Shortfall)	\$(20,000)

Giving Statements will be emailed by Jan 31.

The email will come from pushpay.com
Questions? Contact dyarbrough@mountvernon.church

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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

January 4-10

mountvernon.church/events

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

Sunday, January 4

- 8a Bus Ministry
- Deacon-led Prayer • E210
- 9a Contemporary Worship
- Sunday School - Children & Adults
- Discover Mount Vernon • Fellowship Hall
- 10:30a Traditional Worship
- Sunday School - all ages
- 11:30a Winter ABF Teacher Forum • Fellowship Hall
- Parents of Children Lunch
- Multipurpose Building Lobby
- Students Worship Arts • E213/218/220
- 4:30p Student Choir Rehearsal • E215
- 5:45p Awana • Multipurpose Building

Christmas Eve Attendance (December 24)

694 1pm Worship
1,000 3pm Worship
881 5pm Worship

2,575 TOTAL Christmas Eve Worship

456 TOTAL Online Impact

Sunday Attendance (December 28)

Groups

391 Adult Bible Fellowship
76 Mount Vernon Students
164 Mount Vernon Kids

Worship

571 9am Contemporary Worship
470 10:30am Traditional Worship

1,041 TOTAL Worship

1,281 TOTAL On Campus Impact

(includes Worship, MV Kids & MV Students)

460 TOTAL Online Impact

3,200 Average Weekly Television Audience homes

New Members (December 28)



Gary Hackworth
Transfer of Letter



Konsta Xytakis
Statement of Faith

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

Bible Reading Plans

Pick up at the Point desk or

Download Online: mountvernon.church/adults



COMMUNITY

Gifts in Memory & Honor • December 2025

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

In Memory of Lloyd Blake

Peggy Partridge

In Memory of Glynn Castle

Stephanie Castle (Music Gifts)

In Memory of Margaret Flippin

Shelley Conroy (General Fund)

In Memory of Nancy Hudson

Tommy & Gayle Christian

Bruce & Judy Clarke

(Primitimers)

Joe & Susie Crenshaw

Ann Duke

Jerry & Colleen Hammitt

(Primitimers)

Ron & Julie Kuykendall

(Primitimers)

Jay & Frances Lowden

Ron & Anne Maxey (Primitimers)

Archa & Nancy Robertson

Phyllis Schneider (Food Pantry)

James, David, & Shirley Spain

Richard & Elsie Turochy

In Memory of Bob Jones

Joe & Susie Crenshaw

Ron & Nancy Drumheller

Jerry & Colleen Hammitt

(Food Services)

Peggy Partridge

Pamela Scott

In Memory of Don Lambert

Ron & Nancy Bingham

(Lottie Moon)

Lift ABF (Music Gifts)

In Memory of

Annette Bienvenu Lucas

Jim & Jackie Dickerson

(Memorial Park)

In Memory of Ruth Martin

Ann Strack

In Memory of Brian Russell

Muriel Russell (Lottie Moon)

In Memory of Ivan Shimp

Mel & Jenny Ardis (Bereavement)

Jackie Bratton (Bereavement)

Carol Brooks

Jim & Jackie Dickerson

(Bereavement)

Frank & Glenda Moore

Peggy Partridge

In Memory of Jackie Sykes

Steve Sykes (Memorial Park)

In Memory of Dan Wilson

Peggy Partridge

In Honor of Ronnie Bingham

Lift ABF (Missions)

In Honor of Pattie Carter

Kathryne Yates (General Fund)

In Honor of Carole Forkey

Lift ABF (Missions)

In Honor of Dee Yarbrough

Ladies of Christian Yoga

(Music Gifts)

Lottie Moon Post Office

Your family's cards that others
may have left for you need to be
picked up by January 4.



Wednesday Fellowship Dinners

Wednesday, January 7 • 5:30pm-6:30pm

Salad, Homemade Chili (mild), Baked Potatoes
with fixings, Rice, Country Style 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 • 12pm

mountvernon.church/dinner or (804) 270-6600

- 6p Student Small Groups
- Student Worship Center
- MENToring Men • Sanctuary
- Women's Study • E204

Monday, January 5

- 9:30a Minister Meeting • E213
- 7p College/Young Adult Bible Study • E213

Tuesday, January 6

- 10a Young at Heart Choir Rehearsal • M116
- 12p Women's Study - Chat n Chew • E210
- 2:15p Women's Study - Women of the Word • E210

Wednesday, January 7

- 8:45a Christian Yoga • E213
- 10a Women's Study • E213
- 4p Mount Vernon on Mission Prayer • M106
- 5p Food Pantry Packing • M114
- 5:30p Fellowship Dinner • Fellowship Hall
- 6p Women's Study • M131/132
- 6:15p KidJAM • M116

- 6:30p Mid-Week Study • Sanctuary
- Student Discipleship Groups • E213
- MENToring • E204
- PreJAM • 22

Thursday, January 8

- 8:15a Preschool Moms Study • E202
- 11a Primitimers Senior Adult Program
- Fellowship Hall
- 5p Handbell Rehearsal • Rehearsal Room
- 6:15p CWT Vocal Rehearsal
- 7p CWT Rehearsal • Sanctuary

Friday, January 9

- 7:45a Feeding the Hungry • M118
- 5p ABF Encouragers Party • E213

Saturday, January 10

- 7:30a Men's Study • E210
- 10a Food Pantry Distribution • Door 5
- 4pm ABF Afterglow Baby Shower for Jesus
- Fellowship Hall

Discover Mount Vernon

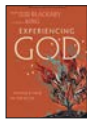
Join us to learn more about Mount Vernon.
Whether you're new or just visiting,
this is the class for you!

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

Register online mountvernon.church/discover

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

PARENT & CHILD

Dedications

The opportunity to present your child
for dedication to Christ & the church.

Sunday, February 8

Sign Up Online by February 1
mountvernon.church/events



mountvernon.church/kids

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

starts back January 4

5:45pm • Sundays • ages 3-Grade 5



Wednesdays

PreJAM: 6:30p-7:30p • age 4-Kindergarten; all
year

KidJAM: 6:15p-7:30p • Current 1st-5th Grade

Session 2: January 7-May 27

Performing Arts Track or Art & Missions Track

Registration Opens • mountvernon.church/kids

ABF CONNECTION SUNDAY

Sunday, January 11 during Morning Worship

ABF: Adult Bible Fellowship



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

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



MOUNT VERNON
MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

Protect & Strengthen
the Joy of Your Marriage
Refresh your connection.
Discover God's design—together.



with **Steve & Debbie Wilson**
Co-Owners of Marriage Matters Now Ministry

Saturday, March 14 • 9am-1:30pm

Tickets Online \$35/couple • \$20/individual
Includes Breakfast & Lunch Limited Childcare.

mountvernon.church/events

Women's Fellowship Café

Galentine's Gathering

Friday, February 6
6:30pm • Fellowship Hall

RSVP Online
mountvernon.church/women

MENTORING

NEW Study starts Jan 11 & 14

Sundays • Live 6pm

Wednesdays • Video 6:30pm

Register Online

mountvernon.church/men

Men 18+ • Book \$10



Mount Vernon **STUDENTS**

DNOW

2026

February 27-March 1

6th-12th Grade

\$40 per student

Register Online

mountvernon.church/students



Receive valuable guidance & tips,
leading you to relief, comfort
& peace of mind.

Sundays, Feb 8-April 26; 2pm-4pm
Materials: \$20

Register Online
mountvernon.church/griefshare



When Love Produces Joy 3 John 1:1-14

Dr. Josh Franklin • Senior Pastor

worship

January 4, 2026

9am • Contemporary Service

Welcome

Songs of Praise

I Believe

Christus Victor (Amen)

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Spirit Of The Living God

Sermon

Dr. Josh Franklin

When Love Produces Joy • 3 John 1:1-14

Invitation

Turn Your Eyes

Lord's Supper

Benediction

Amazing Grace

10:30am • Traditional Service

Welcome

Songs of Praise

Stand Up Stand Up For Jesus

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

I Exalt Thee

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

Remember Me

Dr. John Sullivan

Sermon

Dr. Josh Franklin

When Love Produces Joy • 3 John 1:1-14

Invitation

Be Still My Soul

Lord's Supper

Benediction

Amazing Grace

Let's connect!

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