VISION: A Church "Growing by Grace." 2 Peter 3:18



MISSION: "To grow a congregation of believers committed to the ministry of Worship, Evangelism, Missions, Discipleship, Service and Fellowship with a heart for Prayer, Bible Study and the Great Commission." Matthew 28:19-20

THEME: "Revealing God's Glory!" Isaiah 40:3-5

COMMUNION SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

9:00 a.m.—Virtual Sunday School Join Zoom: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/</u> Meeting ID: 816 3996 8241 | Passcode: 311550 Dial-In: 1-301-715-8592

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Class. Lesson 8: "Faith of an Anointer" by Luke 7:36-39, 44-50 Teacher: Minister Jennifer Madison

Adult Class. Lesson 8: "Faith of an Anointer" Luke 7:36-39, 44-50 Teacher: Dr. Vonda Batts

High School Class. Lesson 8: "Forgiveness Changes Lives" Genesis 50:15-21; Luke 5:17-26; Acts 2:37-47; Romans 12:1, 2 Teacher: Deacon Barry Newsome

Preteen Class. Lesson 8: "A Real Life" Matthew 23:1-3, 23-28 Teacher: Trustee Tyrone Bradley

Middlers Class. Lesson 7: "Parable of the Sower" Luke 8:4-8, 11-15 Teacher: Deaconess La'Tonia White

Early Elementary Class. Lesson 6: "Paul and Barnabas Tell About the Living God" Acts 13:8-18 Teacher: Sister Wanda Evans

Young Adults Growing In Grace Lesson 8: "Faith of an Anointer" Luke 7:36-39, 44-50 Teacher: Sister Tasha Brown Join Zoom Meeting: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/</u> Meeting ID: 860 2290 3469 | Passcode: 288112

> 10:00 a.m. Live Worship Service. "Live Streaming" at <u>www.mtpleasantbc.org</u> Pastor Carl M. Johnson, preaching. Join Zoom: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/</u> Meeting ID: 816 3996 8241 | Passcode: 311550

Tithes & Offerings

- 1. Online giving at https://mtpleasantbc.org/give/
- 2. Text-to-Give: Text "GIVE" to 703-215-2545
- 3. Mail your tithes and offerings to the church address printed below.
- 4. Mobile Giving "Givelify" Download from the Play Store. Visit <u>https://www.givelify.com/</u> for instructions.

Pray for Bereaved Families

For help and encouragement during time of bereavement, call the Grief Line at (571) 533-2963. Contact: Denise Mackie-Smith, <u>Denise.Mackie-Smith@mtpleasantbc.org</u>

Pray for the Sick and Shut-In

MORNING WORSHIP COMMUNION SUNDAY | APRIL 21, 2024 MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY 10:00 A.M.

"Live Streaming" at <u>www.mtpleasantbc.org</u> Join Zoom: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/</u> Meeting ID: 816 3996 8241 | Passcode: 311550

> Call to Worship and Invocation Minister Kimberly Veney

Opening Hymn of Worship Choir

> Musical Selection Choir

Special Video Presentation

Welcome and Offering Rev. Dr. Vonda Batts

Sermonic Musical Selection Choir

The Sermon Pastor Carl M. Johnson

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Communion

Closing/Benediction Pastor Carl M. Johnson

CHURCH COVENANT

HAVING been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now, in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

WE ENGAGE, THEREFORE, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

WE ALSO ENGAGE to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

WE FURTHER ENGAGE to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Saviour, to secure it without delay.

WE MOREOVER ENGAGE that, when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.

And now unto Him, who brought again from the dead, Our Lord Jesus, be Power and Glory forever. Amen. Zoom conference ID's and passwords will be provided prior to virtual meetings via e-mail or by visiting: <u>https://www.mtpleasantbc.org</u>

Facility Update!

Renovation of the lower-level Men's & Ladies restrooms is complete and available for use.

The painting and floor replacement of the Fellowship Hall has been completed and ready for use with limited space availability. Please submit the facility request form to reserve your meeting space. Thank you for your patience during this phase of renovation.

WEEK OF EVENTS

Monday, April 22-6:30 p.m. Hi Def Rehearsal (Youth Choir)

Tuesday, April 23

6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

Dial-In: 1-848-220-3300 | Conference ID: 1571206#. (This is a toll number. Charges may be incurred.) Submit prayer requests at prayer@mtpleasantbc.org.

7:00 p.m. Virtual Young Adult Gathering Session.

Facilitator: Antonio Rafael. Join Zoom Meeting: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/</u> Meeting ID: 825 1897 1908 | Passcode: 790202 Hosted by the Young Adult Ministry.

Wednesday, April 24-12:00 p.m.

Virtual Noon Day Bible Study. Led by Minister Derrik Allen.

Thursday, April 25

6:30 p.m. Virtual Youth Bible Study "TNT." Led by Rev. Chris White. Ages 5-18.

6:30 p.m. Virtual Prayer Service. Led by Deacon Kenneth Jackson, Deaconess Rita Jackson, and Deacon Robert Brooks.

7:00 p.m. Virtual Bible Study. Led by Minister Carl Hollister.

Friday, April 26—6:30 a.m. Morning Prayer.

Dial-In: 1-848-220-3300 | Conference ID: 1571206#. (This is a toll number. Charges may be incurred.) Submit prayer requests at <u>prayer@mtpleasantbc.org</u>

Saturday, April 27

9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Ministry Leadership Training (on-site). All deacons, deaconesses, trustees, ministers, and ministry leaders. Facilitators: Deacon Loucious Hires and Trustee Walter Batts. Sponsored by the Christian Education Ministry. Contact: Rev. Margaret Barr, Margaret.Barr@mtpleasantbc.org.

9:30 a.m. Wise Woman of Praise. (Liturgical/Adult).

12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. "Just the Girls". Calling all MPBC girls ages 12-18 for food, fun and "girl talk" at George Mason Library (Meeting Room), 7001 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA 22003.(10-minutes from MPBC). <u>Deadline:</u> <u>April 21</u>. Sponsored by the Deaconess Ministry. Contact: Deaconess La'Tonia White, <u>LaTonia.White@mtpleasantbc.org</u>.

5:00 p.m. Virtual Quarterly Church Conference. Members Only. Request minutes from the January 27, 2024 church conference by contacting the church clerk at <u>clerk@mtpleasantbc.org</u> (preferred) or call the Church Office at 703-256-1268 extension 16.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, May 1-7:00 p.m. Virtual Women's Fellowship

Meeting. Topic: Names of God. Facilitators: Sister Allie Hollister, Rev. Margaret Barr, Minister Stephanie Gillus, and Deaconess Sherri Morgan. Join Zoom: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/</u> Meeting ID: 839 4117 3282 | Passcode: 082504

Thursday, May 2—7:00 p.m. Virtual National Day of Prayer Service. Theme: "Lift Up the Word, Light Up the World," 2 Samuel 22:29-31. Led by the Prayer Ministry. (*No Thursday* Youth TNT, Diaconate Led Prayer or Bible Study)

<u>Friday, May 3—7:00 p.m.</u> MPBC Friday Night Fire Worship. All invited for an evening of worship. Featuring special guest soloists, spoken word, Christian Rap and more!

Saturday, May 4—9:00 a.m. Community Service Project (on-site at MPBC). Youth and parents are needed to help in the cleaning of approximately 100 tomb stones in the MPBC cemetery. A meal will be served and a community letter will be prepared for each participant. Contact: Yvonne Bush, tusc341@gmail.com or the Church Office: (703) 256-1268.

Sunday, May 5—10:00 a.m. "Golden Gems" Senior Day Celebration. Theme: "Forward By Faith" Scripture: Hebrews 11:1-2 (KJV). Pastor Carl M. Johnson, preaching.

<u>Sunday, May 5, 2024—12:00 p.m</u>. Missionary Ministry Visitation. Golden Living Rehabilitation Center. All invited. Location: 6700 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003.

2024 Spring Messenger Newsletter. Theme: "New Life-New Hope" (John 11:25) (NKJV) is available at <u>www.mtpleasantbc.org</u>. Submit request for a copy at <u>secretary@mtpleasantbc.org</u>. (Limit 2 per family)

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