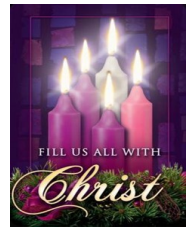




VISION: A Church “Growing by Grace.” 2 Peter 3:18

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



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT “LOVE & CHRIST” | DECEMBER 22, 2024

8:55 a.m.—Church School

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/>
Meeting ID: 837 9386 0217 | Passcode: 970812

Deaf and Hard of Hearing & Adult Class. Lesson 4: “A Father’s Prophecy” Luke 1:67-80
Teacher: Rev. Dr. Vonda Batts

No Sunday School Classes for Grades PreK-12th—Resumes December 29th

10:00 a.m.—Live Worship Service.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/>
Meeting ID: 837 9386 0217 | Passcode: 970812
YouTube & “Live Streaming” at www.mtpleasantbc.org

Call to Worship & Invocation

Welcome/Offering

Advent Moment
Sister Toshiko Lewis & Family

Christmas Cantata
Theme: “Jesus Saved the Day” Acts 4:12

Sermon
Pastor Carl M. Johnson

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Benediction

Nursery Open—Welcome ages 2-5

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 <https://www.givelify.com/> for instructions.
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Pray for Bereaved Families

✠ Raymond O. Ross, father of Trustee Ian Tomlinson (Deaconess Averil), grandfather of Akil and Jameel Tomlinson, great grandfather of Ezra Tomlinson

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

Pray for the Sick and Shut-In



TO ALL MPBC MEMBERS & FAMILIES
FROM PASTOR & FIRST LADY ROBIN
MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Zoom conference ID's and passwords will be provided prior to virtual meetings via e-mail or view details on services and events by visiting: <https://www.mtpleasantbc.org>

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

Renovation/Construction of Upper Level Restrooms

Several restrooms are under renovation. The men's, women's, and handicapped restrooms on the sanctuary-level will be closed for the next four weeks. Congregants should use the elevator to access lower level restrooms until further notice.



MPBC Federal Credit Union Holiday Loan Special Available Now—December 24, 2024

Rates start as low as 4.50%* for up to \$10,000.

**Rates, terms, and conditions may vary based on credit score.*

Apply today for the best special of the season!

Visit the Credit Union office on Sundays from 8:45 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Contact: mpbcfcu@mtpleasantbc.org or call (703) 256-4802

2024-2025 Winter Messenger Newsletter. Theme: "The One" Scripture: Acts 19:4-5 World English Bible (WEB). Submit articles, poems, and notices at mpbcnewsletter@mtpleasantbc.org by December 29th.

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

Sunday, December 22—12:00 p.m. Missionary Ministry Visitation. All invited. Golden Living Rehabilitation Center, 6700 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003. Speaker: Minister Jennifer Madison.



2024 Winter Holiday Break

Wednesday, December 25—Christmas Day observed
Church Office Closed

Wednesday—12:00 p.m. Bible Study
(Resumes January 15, 2025)

Thursday—6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study "TNT" & Prayer Service
7:00 p.m.—Bible Study
(Resumes January 16, 2025)

Wednesday, January 1, 2025—New Year's Day observed
Church Office Closed

Emergency Preparedness to Support Hurricane Victims!

When disaster strikes, it takes a community to rebuild. We are in need of financial donations to aid persons who sustained damages due to the hurricanes.

Donations are greatly needed! Ways to donate: [Givelify.com](https://givelify.com), mail checks to Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, 6477 Lincolnia Rd., Alexandria, VA 22312. Memo: Missions, Text to "GIVE" to 703-215-2545 or visit: <https://www.mtpleasantbc.org>



**UPCOMING EVENTS
New Year's Eve Celebration**



**Tuesday, December 31, 2024—Schedule of Services:
6:00 p.m. (In-Person)**

A time of praying, praising, singing, and receiving the preached Word by Pastor Carl M. Johnson.

10:00 p.m. Virtual (*Recording of 6:00 p.m. service*)
2024 moments of reflection, and testimonies. An inspirational word and prayer by Pastor Carl Johnson.

Sunday, January 5, 2025—8:55 a.m. First 2025 Sunday School Class. Teacher: First Lady Robin Johnson. Lesson Title: "The Lord Is King." Scripture: Psalm 10:12-18

Monday, January 6-March 31, 2025—6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Virtual Grief Ministry Session. To register: <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/254760> Zoom ID and passcode will be forwarded after registration. Contact: Denise.Mackie-Smith@mtpleasantbc.org.

Thursday, January 9, 2025—7:00 p.m. An Evening of Prayer. First virtual Prayer Service in 2025. Encouraging all MPBC officers, ministers, ministry leaders, and members to share in this special time of prayer in the New Year.

Children's Worship Hour —Every 2nd Sunday!
January 12, 2025—10:00 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
Inviting youth ages 5-12. For details contact: Rev. Chris White at Chris.White@mtpleasantbc.org

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