



**VISION:** "Building a vibrant, engaged faith community serving, growing, and transforming lives." 1 Peter 4:10-11

**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:** "Stepping Forward in Faith" Joshua 1:9 (NKJV)

**COMMUNION SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026**

**10:00 a.m.—WORSHIP SERVICE**

YouTube & "Live Streaming" at [www.mtpleasantbc.org](http://www.mtpleasantbc.org)

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/>

Meeting ID: 823 2234 2006 | Passcode: 325010

Invocation  
Rev. Dr. Vonda Batts

Congregational Hymn of Worship

Welcome/Offering/Doxology  
Rev. Cornella Carter-Taylor

Sermonic Song

Sermon  
Pastor Carl M. Johnson

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Communion

Benediction

***Nursery Closed Today***

**WAYS TO GIVE**

1. Visit <https://www.mtpleasantbc.org> and click on GIVE or Use the QR Code.
2. Visit <https://www.Givelify.com> and Sign in or Use the QR Code.
3. Mail to MPBC to the address listed below.
4. Text "GIVE" to 703-215-2545 to use Text-To-Give.



**PRAY FOR BEREAVED FAMILIES**

Ora Frye, aunt of Minister Linda Hayes (Henry),  
LaWanda Spinner, and Octavia Walker

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

**PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-IN**

**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.

"To foster a culture of Christ-centered service, we at MPBC practice C.A.R.E.—Concern, Appreciation, Respect and Empathy!"

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**VIRGINIA'S SPECIAL ELECTION  
VOTE YES! BY APRIL 21, 2026**



**VOTE** Early and In Person: March 6-April 18, 2026

**VOTE on Election Day: Tuesday, April 21, 2026.**

**Polls open from 6:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

For times and locations near you, visit:  
[elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/](https://elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/)

**VOTE BY MAIL:** If you have a ballot, return it to your local general registrar's office at a drop-off location or by mail. It **must be postmarked by Election Day—April 21**. Remember to bring an acceptable form of ID with you to vote.

**2026 Spring Messenger Newsletter.** Theme: "Stepping Forward in Faith" Joshua 1:9 (NKJV). **Special Edition Messenger Newsletter: 2026 Elections.** Provides information on upcoming elections. Available at [www.mtpleasantbc.org](http://www.mtpleasantbc.org). Request a copy at [secretary@mtpleasantbc.org](mailto:secretary@mtpleasantbc.org). (Limit 2 per family)

**MPBC EVENTS**

**Monday, April 20—6:15 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](mailto:prayer@mtpleasantbc.org).

**Monday, April 20-May 18—6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Virtual Grief Ministry Session.** To register:  
<https://find.griefshare.org/groups/286549>  
Zoom ID and passcode will be forwarded after registration.  
Contact: [Denise.Mackie-Smith@mtpleasantbc.org](mailto:Denise.Mackie-Smith@mtpleasantbc.org).

**Monday, April 20—7:00 p.m. Pastor Carl Johnson, guest preacher** at Little Union Baptist Church, 17150 Batestown Road, Dumfries. Accompanied by the Music Ministry/choir, Usher Ministry, and MPBC family. **All invited.**

**Tuesday, April 21—6:45 p.m. Rehearsal.** (Hi-Def Choir)

**Wednesday, April 22—12:00 p.m. Virtual Bible Study.**  
Join Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/>  
Meeting ID: 865 9479 7680 | Passcode: 993069  
Led by Pastor Carl M. Johnson.

**Thursday, April 23**  
Join Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/>  
Meeting ID: 837 0012 0363 | Passcode: 830082

**6:30 p.m. Virtual Prayer Service.**  
Led by Deacon Michael Hardy, Deaconess Sylvia Hardy, and Deaconess Tawanna Tillman. Submit prayer requests at [prayer@mtpleasantbc.org](mailto:prayer@mtpleasantbc.org).

**7:00 p.m. Virtual Bible Study.** Led by Pastor Carl M. Johnson.

**Saturday, April 25—5:00 p.m. Virtual Quarterly Church Conference.** Members Only. Request minutes from the January 24, 2026 church conference by contacting the church clerk at [clerk@mtpleasantbc.org](mailto:clerk@mtpleasantbc.org) (preferred) or call the Church Office at 703-256-1268 extension 16.

**Saturday, May 2, 2026 —9:30am-12:30 p.m. Theme: The Law and Your Community** A training session for youth ages 13 through adults, presented by the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE). Sponsored by MPBC Mighty Men of Valor, the program provides guidance on respectful and appropriate interactions with law enforcement. **Location:** MPBC Fellowship Hall  
**Registration:** Scan the QR code to register.  
Contact: Michael Tyree, [tyreelorenso42@gmail.com](mailto:tyreelorenso42@gmail.com) .



**Sunday, May 3—10:00 a.m. "Golden Gems" Senior Day Celebration.** Guest preacher: Rev. Arthur Patterson. Theme: "Flourishing in Every Season." Psalm 92:12-14 (NKJV)

**Mother's Day Video Tribute.** We are creating heartfelt video honoring mothers who have passed. Those who shared photos last year do not need to resubmit. New participants should email photo(s) with names and relationships to [secretary@mtpleasantbc.org](mailto:secretary@mtpleasantbc.org) by **Monday, May 4.** Join us **Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10, at 10:00 a.m.** Preacher: Minister Angela Sheppard, MPBC Associate Minister.

**Thursday, May 7—7:00 p.m. Virtual National Day of Prayer Service.** Theme: "Glorify God Among the Nations, Seeking Him in All Generations." 1 Chronicles 16:24 (NASB) *(No Thursday Prayer or Bible Study)*  
Join Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/>  
Meeting ID: 871 1975 2527 | Passcode: 489074

**Sunday, May 17—12:00 p.m. Missionary Ministry Visitation.** All invited. Golden Living Rehabilitation Center, 6700 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003. Accompanied by Rev. Margaret Barr., MBPC associate minister.

**2026 ONE-YEAR BIBLE READING PLANS.** Join this year-long spiritual journey through the Old and New Testament chapters. Follow and view the daily reading plan:  
**Click:** [Bible reading schedule-2026.pdf](#)

Scan the QR code:



**Request a printed copy,** by contacting the Church Office at (703) 256-1268 or e-mail: [secretary@mtpleasantbc.org](mailto:secretary@mtpleasantbc.org).

**A Special Reminder.** We want to keep in touch, so please notify the Church Clerk Anita Johnson with any recent updates, (i.e. cell phone, email, or address) at [clerk@mtpleasantbc.org](mailto:clerk@mtpleasantbc.org) (preferred) or call (703) 256-1268 extension 16.

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