



SESSION DOCUMENTS

Mon, Mar 23, 2026

Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church

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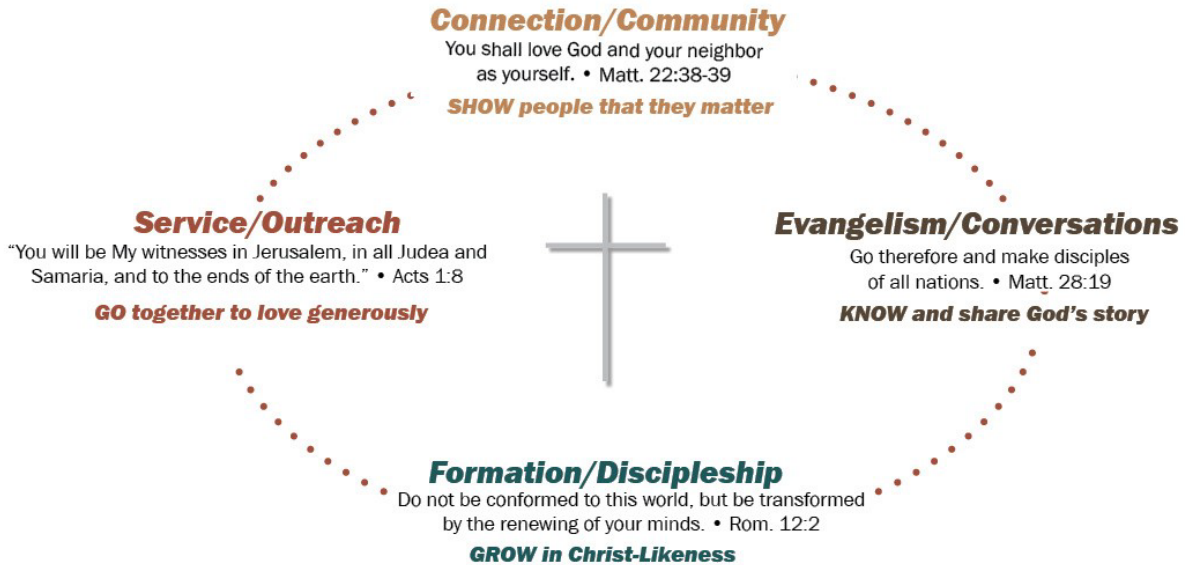
Session Meeting Agenda

March 23, 2026



Strategic Goals

2023-2028



1. Call to Order and Opening Prayer (Alf Halvorson)

2. Establishment of Quorum (Joe Stockdale)

- Please check in on the MDPC App!

3. New Members (Almir Dias)

Luciano Dos Santos, Jane Dos Santos, Heiton Queiroz, Adelina Sambo

Motion: *to receive the above-named friends as Covenant Partners at MDPC.*

4. The Hospitable Church (Alf Halvorson)

5. Clerk’s Report (Carla Bradford & Joe Stockdale)

- Planning for Holy Week
- Upcoming ECO Texas Presbytery Meeting

Motion: *to approve the following Commissioners to serve for the April 9, 2026, Zoom meeting of the ECO Texas Presbytery: Carla Bradford, Stephanie Espinoza, Marc Laney, Bob Larson, Joe Stockdale*

- Update on MDPC Policy & Operations Manual Review

- 6. **Treasurer’s Report** (Kyle Wienert)
- 7. **Outreach Overview** (Amy Delgado)
- 8. **Church Planting Update** (Dan Aikins)
- 9. **Master Planning: Next Steps** (Alf Halvorson and Marcus Vajdos)

10. Omnibus Motion

- a. **Motion** to approve the minutes of February 2026, Session Meeting.
- b. **Motion** to approve the following baptisms performed in March 2026:

Name	Age	Parents	Member	Date
William John Bosse	Child	Lauren Byrd and Kyle Bosse	Mom-Yes Dad-Yes	03/1/2026 Sprinkle
Abigayle Marie Crumley	Youth	Kelly and Jerred Crumley	Mom-Yes Dad-Yes	03/1/2026 Immersion
Annie Grace Crumley	Child	Kelly and Jerred Crumley	Mom-Yes Dad-Yes	03/1/2026 Sprinkle
Archer Ray Crumley	Youth	Kelly and Jerred Crumley	Mom-Yes Dad-Yes	03/1/2026 Immersion
Reese Eleanor Davis	Infant	Lindsey and Preston Davis	Mom-Yes Dad-No	03/1/2026 Sprinkle
Cody Meyer Hanlen	Young Adult		No	03/1/2026 Immersion
William “Ford” Lothrop	Infant	Mariah and Bryan Lothrop	Mom-Yes Dad-Yes	03/1/2026 Sprinkle
Lily Grace Rayburn	Child	Ashtyn and Samuel Rayburn	No	03/1/2026 Sprinkle
Charles “Wallace” Soltis	Infant	Julia and Jake Soltis	Mom-Yes Dad-Yes	03/1/2026 Sprinkle
Judy Muir	Adult			03/23/2026 Sprinkle

- c. **Motion** to approve Outreach Partner Funding for March 2026 as follows:

Consent Agenda items:

1. Partner Funding Recommendations

Designated

• Cru	\$11,000	Designated: Missionary #0638840	Global Missionary
• Steven & Natalie Hall	\$11,000	Designated: Personal Support	Global Missionary
• Allegro Organizational Solutions	\$5,500	Designated: Acct# NYC-BB.KSJ	Global Missionary
• Pioneers	\$5,500	Designated: Account: 112440	Global Missionary
Totaling: \$33,000			

11. Calendar Reminders

March 23	Session Meeting Chapel 6:30pm
March 28	Journey to Easter 10am-12pm Outdoor Festival
March 29	Alf Halvorson Preaching Sermon Series: <i>The Lion, Lent, and C.S. Lewis</i> Palm Sunday
March 30	The Spoken Word & The Silent Word begin and continue throughout the week
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April 9	ECO Texas Presbytery Zoom Meeting 4 pm
April 12	Preaching Sermon Series: 1 Corinthians 15 Baptisms
April 19	Senior Sunday Alf Halvorson- Message with Panel
April 26	Alf Halvorson Preaching Sermon Series: 1 Corinthians 15 New Members
April 26	MDPC Concert Series 6-730pm Sanctuary
April 27	Session Meeting Chapel 6:30pm

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12. Announcements and Additional Business

13. Adjournment & Prayer Time (Beth Case)

- **Motion** to adjourn the March 2026 Session Meeting.

Budgeted Financial Statement for Period 2 - February
SUMMARY INCOME & EXPENSE - 2026
Company#: 1 Name: Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church
Fiscal Year Beginning 1/1/2026

Description	Feb Act	2026 YTD Act	2026 YTD Bud	Over (Under) Budget	% Variance YTD	Prior YTD 2025	2026 Budget Full Year
OPERATING INCOME							
Contributions	\$ 1,005,128	\$ 2,146,975	\$ 2,080,706	\$ 66,269	3.18	\$ 1,722,196	\$ 14,728,728
Bank/Gateway/Credit Card Fees	\$ (4,711)	\$ (15,545)	\$ -	\$ (15,545)	-	\$ (15,654)	\$ -
Ministry Events Revenue	\$ 271,829	\$ 585,702	\$ 647,955	\$ (62,253)	(9.61)	\$ 656,551	\$ 3,510,278
Other Operating Income	\$ 6,965	\$ 7,957	\$ 16,667	\$ (8,710)	(52.26)	\$ 16,281	\$ 100,000
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$ 1,279,210	\$ 2,725,088	\$ 2,745,328	\$ (20,240)	(1)	\$ 2,379,374	\$ 18,339,006
Ministry Operating Expense							
Pastoral Ministry							
Caring Ministry	\$ 37,499	\$ 72,524	\$ 74,187	\$ (1,663)	2.24	\$ 66,969	\$ 450,729
Fuente	\$ 13,221	\$ 27,058	\$ 28,018	\$ (960)	3.43	\$ 25,972	\$ 170,496
Children's Ministry	\$ 71,020	\$ 134,591	\$ 154,853	\$ (20,262)	13.08	\$ 128,085	\$ 938,690
Youth Ministry	\$ 65,523	\$ 126,685	\$ 106,218	\$ 20,467	(19.27)	\$ 90,068	\$ 682,700
Relationships	\$ 57,037	\$ 87,286	\$ 77,809	\$ 9,476	(12.18)	\$ 71,940	\$ 388,360
Sports and REACH Programs	\$ 58,414	\$ 65,731	\$ 101,705	\$ (35,974)	35.37	\$ 99,288	\$ 490,181
Outreach (Admin)	\$ 66,197	\$ 128,305	\$ 125,569	\$ 2,735	(2.18)	\$ 107,981	\$ 744,128
Adult Discipleship	\$ 31,088	\$ 59,521	\$ 66,822	\$ (7,301)	10.93	\$ 66,340	\$ 400,940
Young Adult	\$ 21,673	\$ 41,468	\$ 39,604	\$ 1,864	(4.71)	\$ 42,607	\$ 241,702
Worship	\$ 37,934	\$ 74,989	\$ 83,324	\$ (8,335)	10.00	\$ 71,966	\$ 508,890
Traditional Music	\$ 37,172	\$ 76,237	\$ 72,423	\$ 3,814	(5.27)	\$ 72,791	\$ 438,820
Contemporary Music	\$ 29,687	\$ 55,879	\$ 53,462	\$ 2,417	(4.52)	\$ 54,107	\$ 332,576
Brazilian Ministry	\$ 16,306	\$ 30,196	\$ 34,220	\$ (4,024)	11.76	\$ 27,831	\$ 223,310
Total Pastoral Ministry	\$ 542,770	\$ 980,469	\$ 1,018,214	\$ (37,745)	3.71	\$ 925,947	\$ 6,011,522
Support Ministry							
Communications & Media	\$ 80,859	\$ 167,384	\$ 155,077	\$ 12,307	(7.94)	\$ 149,042	\$ 944,380
Administration	\$ 77,610	\$ 162,059	\$ 143,908	\$ 18,151	(12.61)	\$ 150,796	\$ 901,004
Food Service	\$ 13,166	\$ 27,316	\$ 26,667	\$ 650	(2.44)	\$ 26,135	\$ 160,000
Facilities & Technology	\$ 199,689	\$ 430,198	\$ 445,654	\$ (15,456)	3.47	\$ 423,534	\$ 2,665,680
The Little School	\$ 132,115	\$ 257,375	\$ 237,562	\$ 19,813	(8.34)	\$ 223,128	\$ 1,425,388
The Yellow School	\$ 59,529	\$ 118,825	\$ 140,210	\$ (21,385)	15.25	\$ 125,399	\$ 841,456
Total Support Ministry	\$ 562,968	\$ 1,163,158	\$ 1,149,078	\$ 14,080	(1.23)	\$ 1,098,033	\$ 6,937,908
Anticipated Budget Reduction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$ -
Total Ministry Operating Expense	\$ 1,105,739	\$ 2,143,626	\$ 2,167,292	\$ (23,666)	1.09%	\$ 2,023,980	\$ 12,949,430
Outreach Expense							
Outreach - Ministry Sponsored	\$ 88,725	\$ 142,658	\$ 155,852	\$ (13,194.69)	8.47	\$ 145,724	\$ 1,183,076
Outreach - Ministry Partners	\$ 126	\$ 5,626	\$ 35,000	\$ (29,374.30)	83.93	\$ 21,925	\$ 3,536,500
Total Outreach Expense	\$ 88,851	\$ 148,283	\$ 190,852	\$ (42,568.99)	22.30	\$ 167,650	\$ 4,719,576
Other Operating Expense							
Insurance & Legal	\$ 49,816	\$ 100,707	\$ 103,333	\$ (2,627)	2.54	\$ 100,920	\$ 620,000
Capital Additions/Reserve	\$ 4,167	\$ 8,333	\$ 8,333	\$ -	-	\$ 8,333	\$ 50,000
Total Other Operating Expense	\$ 53,982	\$ 109,040	\$ 111,667	\$ (2,627)	2.35	\$ 109,254	\$ 670,000
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 1,248,572	\$ 2,400,950	\$ 2,469,811	\$ (68,861)	2.79%	\$ 2,300,884	\$ 18,339,006
Other Income(Loss)							
Total Other Income(Loss)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ -
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 30,638	\$ 324,138	\$ 275,517	\$ 48,621	17.65%	\$ 78,491	\$ 0
Restr & Enrichment Inc/(Exp)	\$ (74,555)	\$ (69,265)	\$ -	\$ (69,265)	-	\$ (90,114)	\$ -

Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church
Balance Sheet Thru February
MDPC Summary Balance Sheet-2026

Name	Month to Month			Feb 2025
	Feb 2026	Jan 2026	Difference	
ASSETS				
Unrestricted Cash & Cash Equivalents	2,900,113.97	3,251,222.35	(351,108.38)	3,681,835.85
Current Investments (Unrestricted)	1,718,148.91	1,688,647.08	29,501.83	1,516,753.17
Total Unrestricted Cash & Cash Equivalents	4,618,262.88	4,939,869.43	(321,606.55)	5,198,589.02
Current Investments (Restricted)	7,443,706.28	7,443,706.28	-	4,505,915.48
Legacy Restricted Cash & Equivalents	5,234,410.81	5,234,410.81	-	4,364,898.18
Total Restricted Cash & Equivalents	12,678,117.09	12,678,117.09	-	8,870,813.66
Prepaid Expense, Deposits, Inventory	170,733.95	198,470.66	(27,736.71)	269,057.12
Miscellaneous Receivables	22,895.81	8,356.09	14,539.72	9,479.79
Property & Equipment	58,339,637.83	58,339,637.83	-	58,038,634.21
Accumulated Depreciation	(50,450,025.45)	(50,450,025.45)	-	(48,937,881.77)
Note Receivable	-	-	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	25,379,622.11	25,714,425.65	(334,803.54)	23,448,692.03
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	158,403.10	472,478.70	(314,075.60)	1,146,077.05
Other Payables	107,275.76	93,876.05	13,399.71	106,553.05
Prepaid Tuition and Fees	168,850.25	159,355.00	9,495.25	136,577.75
Custodial Accounts	(159.76)	(453.04)	293.28	13,789.94
	-	-	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	434,369.35	725,256.71	(290,887.36)	1,402,997.79
NET ASSETS				
Unrestricted Net Assets	10,934,241.28	10,903,602.89	30,638.39	13,265,824.76
Temp. Restricted Net Assets	8,789,090.01	8,863,004.70	(73,914.69)	4,059,939.87
Perm. Restricted Net Assets	433,857.59	433,857.59	-	433,857.59
Restricted Legacy Net Assets	4,788,063.88	4,788,703.76	(639.88)	4,286,072.02
TOTAL NET ASSETS	24,945,252.76	24,989,168.94	(43,916.18)	22,045,694.24
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	25,379,622.11	25,714,425.65	(334,803.54)	23,448,692.03

Outreach Ministries Funding Recommendations March 2026

Global Missionaries

Missionary Partner: Family Serving in Saudi Arabia

Funding made out to: Cru, Designated: Missionary # 0638840

2025 Funding: \$11,000

2026 Funding Recommendation: \$11,000

This family lives in Saudi Arabia where they seek to introduce college age students to Jesus and build intentional relationships. Through teaching at a university and leading workshops and webinars, they have the opportunity to meet college students as well as their friends and families. Pray that the students they disciple will be a light in their country and will influence their society as they become leaders.

Missionary Partner: The Hall Family

2025 Funding: \$11,000

2026 Funding Recommendation: \$11,000

MDPC Field Partners Steven and Natalie Hall serve with SEND International. Their strategic partnership ministry helps bring gospel transformation to unreached people groups throughout the world. The Hall's ministry spreads the light of Jesus into dark places to bring hope and healing.

Missionary Partner: Kristin Jones

Funding made out to: Allegro Organizational Solutions, Designated: Acct# NYC-BB.KSJ

2025 Funding: \$5,500

2026 Funding Recommendation: \$5,500

MDPC Field Partner Kristin Jones is building relationships for the Kingdom and sharing the Gospel within the Bangladeshi community in New York City. After ten years living overseas in the Bengal region, she is fluent in Bengali and understands the culture. This allows her the opportunity to significantly impact Bangladeshis' lives as they adjust to America and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Missionary Partner: Hannah and Mario Sfeir

Funding made out to: Pioneers, Designated: Account 112440

2025 Funding: \$5,500

2026 Funding Recommendation: \$5,500

Hannah and Mario live near Beirut, Lebanon where they lead a thriving media ministry and train disciple-makers in their community. They create Gospel centered social media content in Arabic to connect with unreached people in Lebanon and throughout the Arab world that are interested in learning about Christ. In addition to their social media outreach, Hannah uses trauma counseling and trauma healing Bible studies to minister to women in their region. Pray for Hannah, Mario and their outreach team as they proclaim Christ, engage seekers, disciple new believers, and plant Muslim-background house churches among Arabic speakers in Lebanon and beyond.

MINUTES OF THE STATED MEETING OF THE SESSION
Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church
February 23, 2026

Elders Present: Jeannie Able Amanda Austin, Carla Bradford, Rick Chapman, Daniel Crank, , Lance Dardis, Bob Davis, Kevin Dillon, Kelley Edwards, Stephanie Espinoza, Ellen Davidson, Alex Knoop, Marc Laney, Bob Larson, Madison Limbacher, Hector Longoria, Tomas Lopes, Leslee Lumpkin, Lisa McChristian, David Michels, Kim Oswald, Mike Pelton, Rosy Pereira, Nikki Pielop, Yvonne Ramirez, Sharon Roark, Peggy Samuels, David Shelfer, Nathan Stedham, Joe Stockdale, , Drew Tingleaf, Karin Tyson. Andre Verona, Suzanne Wharton, Kyle Wienert

Elders Excused: Elizabeth Crawley, Ryan Taylor

Elders Absent: Lance Dardis, Hunter Smith

Pastors Present: Dan Aikins, Clay Brown, Beth Case, Alf Halvorson, Rachel Poysky, Guillermo Yela

Pastors Excused: Almir Dias, Brett Hurst

Staff Present: Laura Benes, Amy Delgado, Beverly Fluke, Sally Henien, Tracy Stidam, Jennifer Vajdos, Marcus Vajdos, Steffanie West

Call to Order: Pastor Alf Halvorson called the meeting of the Session of Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church to order at 6:32 pm in the Chapel. He opened with scripture and prayer.

Call for Quorum: The Clerk, Joe Stockdale, affirmed that a quorum was present.

New Members: (Dan Aikins)

David Bogert, Lisa Bogert, Kirsten Bogert, Cynthia Jeckovich, Wilson Jeckovich, Heidi Oates, Cole Patchell, Erin Patchell, Ashtyn Rayburn, Sam Rayburn

The above-named friends attended in person to be received by Session. Pastor Alf asked the questions of membership. A **Motion** to *receive the above-named friends as Covenant Partners at MDPC* was made and unanimously approved by Session.

Clerk's Report

- ECO National Gathering Recap and Impressions (Sharon Roark and Carla Bradford)

Church Planting and Anchor Church Update (Alf Halvorson)

- **Motion:** *to approve the role of Anchor Church for Texas Presbytery's Church Planting 10-year initiative*
Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: (Kyle Wienert)

Motion Carried from Finance Committee on pre-paid contributions.

Church in the City God-Sightings and General Outreach Update (Amy Delgado)

Hospitality Conversation

- Volunteering for Greeting, Ushering, Confirmation, Communion, The Spoken Word
- Communion Training

Omnibus Agenda:

Alf introduced the Omnibus Motion below for February and asked if there were any items that needed to be removed for separate consideration. Alf then asked for a motion to approve the Omnibus Motion as presented. **Motion Carried.**

- a. **Motion** to approve the minutes of the January 2026, Session Meeting.
- b. **Motion** to approve the following baptism performed in February 2026:

Name	Age	Parents	Member	Date
Turner Miller Coleman	Toddler	Katy Chavet and Ross Coleman	Mom-Yes Dad-No	02/8/2026 Sprinkle

2026 Calendar Reminders

Feb 27 Worship for Workers with Porter’s Gate| 7 pm in Sanctuary
 March 1 Alf Halvorson Preaching| | Sermon Series: *The Lion, Lent, and C.S. Lewis*
 March 1 Annual Meeting| 12:30pm in Fellowship Hall
 March 8 Alf Halvorson Preaching |Sermon Series: *The Lion, Lent, and C.S. Lewis*| Begin Daylight Saving Time
 March 15 Alf Halvorson Preaching |Sermon Series: *The Lion, Lent, and C.S. Lewis*
 March 22 Alf Halvorson Preaching |Sermon Series: *The Lion, Lent, and C.S. Lewis*
First Communion
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Easter Sunday| **Spanish-language Service**| Guillermo Yela Preaching| 11:15am Chapel
Easter Sunday| **Portuguese-language Service** |Almir Dias Preaching| 6pm Chapel

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Adjournment

A **Motion** to adjourn the February 2026 Session Meeting was made at 8:23. Rachel led us in prayer.

Minutes respectfully submitted on behalf of Joe Stockdale, Clerk, by Jennifer Vajdos, Feb 2026

Combined Minutes of the Session Committees March 2026 Session Meeting

Caring Ministries Committee Minutes: February 24, 2026

Attendees: Rosemary Armstrong, Beth Case, Betsy Chalmers, Annette Erickson, Beverly Fluke, Christine Gentil, Willie Jordan, Bob Larson, Betsy Nash, Suzanne Tobin, and Sue Warren

Absent: Terral Cesak, Olga Griffin, Barbara Mueller, Ross Purdy

Opening Prayer: Beverly Fluke

Discussion and Devotional: Beth Case led a group discussion on the various ministries under the Caring Ministries umbrella and how our team members are gifted and called to serve. Bob Larson followed that with a devotional on caring as “recognizing and responding to needs” based on Phil 2:1-4.

Ministry Reports

Deacons:

Deacons were actively present in the Officer/Staff retreat on January 23-24, especially considering the topic of “The Hospitable Church.” They will be meaningfully present at the Annual Meeting on March 1 as well, and will follow up together quickly after that gathering.

Dementia and Caregiver Support:

- January 7 was **The Gathering** with a robust group in attendance. The theme was snow with a craft decorating snowflakes with paint daubers, allowing for lots of creativity. There were 16 volunteers, 12 Care Partners, and 12 caregivers in attendance. Ron Joseph Corb was the entertainer, playing the guitar and music from the 50’s and 60’s. Exercise was lively including pool noodles and a large parachute. Bingo was of course the finale.
- January 8 was the **Caregivers Luncheon** with a group of 11 in attendance. Virginia Smith gave the devotional. This group continues to be a great support for each other.

Grief Support:

- **Transforming Grief:** The grief program is currently underway on Wednesdays from 4:30-6pm and is scheduled to conclude on March 11. Facilitators for the spring series are Bob Larson and Judy Stockton.
- **The Widows Connection: The Widows Connection group meets for lunch and fellowship on the third Thursday of each month. Twelve ladies attended in January and fifteen attended in February. The next meeting will be March 17th. Contact Judy Stockton for more information.**
- **Ministry of Presence:** Caring Ministries staff and officers send out cards and grief books to MDPC members during their first year of losing a loved one.

Health Ministry – Blood Drive:

- The February 8 blood drive at MDPC saw 14 donations received. The next blood drive here is scheduled for Sunday, June 14, 2026.

Home Communion:

- Anyone who is not able to participate in the regularly scheduled communion services on campus is invited to request home communion. Requests can be made by contacting Beverly Fluke or online at homecommunion.mdpc.org.

Home Visitation:

- The Home Visitation team makes monthly visits/calls to members of the MDPC community who can no longer make it to church in person or just appreciate extra connection with caring Christian brothers and sisters.
- If you have a caring heart for our older members, this would be a wonderful ministry in which to get involved. Please contact Rosemary Armstrong, Visitation Deacon, or Beverly Fluke if you would like to join the team or learn more about this ministry.

Memorial Services:

- January: 6 memorial services with receptions were hosted at MDPC. 1 inurnment service was held in the MDPC Columbarium.

Prayer Ministry:

- Creative work has begun on the prayer room for Holy Week 2026: The Silent Word. Since Alf will be visiting themes of C. S. Lewis throughout Lent, ideas are flowing around Lewis' book *The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe*. Be praying about how these develop to focus not only on Aslan the lion, but more primarily on Jesus, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah!

Second Family:

- The Second Family/Mobile Meals teams have been busy in the new year. In January, we had twelve care partners in Second Family and 9-10 Mobile Meals recipients. One new care partner joined in January, and another in February.
- We need additional volunteers to provide these services and still have time for visitation. An appeal will be made in the various ministry areas. Please contact Barbara Mueller, Second Family Deacon, or Beverly Fluke for more information.

Senior Adult Ministry:

- Senior Adults Fellowship consists of Venturers, Prime Timers, Encore Fellowship, Senior Adult Lunch, and beginning February 26, 2026, a new Senior Adult Lunch and Games Day.
- **Venturers** had 48 for dinner this month at Fratelli's restaurant and a program by Mister McKinney.
- **Prime Timers** went to Union Kitchen for lunch and had 14 attendees.
- **Senior Adult Lunch** met on Tuesday instead of their usual Monday and had 7 attendees. The low number seemed to be the result of changing the usual date.
- **Encore Fellowship** met at Union Kitchen for Happy Hour and dinner. 28 said they were coming and we had 24 attendees.
- We are excited to begin the new **Senior Adult Lunch and Games Day** on the 4th Thursday of every month. The first one will be February 26, 2026. We will have lunch from 11:00 to 12:00 and then a large variety of all kinds of games in the Summit Room from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. Our goal is to create a warm and engaging environment for socialization where Christian Fellowship and fun times will be fostered. The committee consists of Connie and Paul Whelchel, Kathy Knop, Fran Gantt, Charles Roberts, and Betsy Chalmers as moderator.

Stephen Ministry:

- The Stephen Ministry team met on January 13 for Supervisory Meeting and again on January 27 for Continuing Education. Beth Case was our CE speaker for January and she led a creative refresher session on “The Person of the Caregiver”, which is the first module in Stephen Ministry training.
- The new Stephen Ministry training group is up and running, with a combined class of 8 MDPC trainees and 5 Grace trainees. Training is held on Tuesday evenings from January 13 – May 26.
- Referrals for potential care receivers who would benefit from a Stephen Ministry relationship can be sent to Beverly Fluke in Caring Ministries.

Upcoming Meetings: We are going to try having quarterly meetings, rather than monthly meetings, for 2026. The dates are February 24, April 21, August 18, and October 20.

Closing Prayer: We broke into small groups to pray and then Bob Larson gave a closing prayer and wrapped up the meeting.

Children’s Ministries Committee Minutes:

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Attendants: Keri Mosk, Ellen Davidson, Lenora Oliveira, Mimi Wells, Emily Smith, Ashley Plaisance, Tara Reibschlaeger, Mayra Arellano, Sarah Kilgore, Suzanne Wharton

Devotional led by Sarah Kilgore

Journey to Easter (Easter Village):

Looking for volunteers, hired 5 face painters, Egg hunt on the YS playground

Summer Celebration: 600 kids registered (87% full)

Elementary Update:

Mission Extreme registration live, (Spaces in 1/K and 2/3) 4/5 filled up in 30 minutes, 17 children on waitlist. Space is limited because of ministry partners. 2/3 pizza party was last Friday, had reptile guy that the kids love. Sunday school: Bethany leading worship has been a great improvement. 45 kids coming to blast off. Palm Sunday procession through the sanctuary for 9:45 and 11:15 services

Important elementary dates:

3/20: 4/5 Pizza Party (with Reptile guy)

April 5: No Sunday school

Preschool Update:

May have found new curriculum, will be reviewed by Suzanne and Sarah. The company sells the curriculum in three-month increments, will buy May, June, July and see how it goes. Need at least 2 more volunteers on Sundays

Important Dates:

4/12 Preschool Serve Day (135 appreciation bags for schools)

4/19-4/26 Lenora on Vacation

Childcare Plus Update:

It was helpful announcing the 9:30 worship last week so childcare was available. Children’s ministry was not receiving updates on worship service changes. Steffanie West has shared early

start dates with Children's, so staff can be prepared. Since there are no babies at 11:15, 4 child care plus ladies will come up to galaxy to help

Important Dates:

No March PNO due to Journey to Easter

Kaleidoscope & Safe Haven Update:

8-10 moms coming to book club, Bethany will go worship with Kaleidoscope kids after Galaxy, special needs mothers speaking at the Well Event. Ignite Bible study going well.

Important Dates:

Teen PNO in April

Little School/Yellow School:

LS placement emails went out yesterday. Almost at capacity, back to pre Covid numbers. 1 day option is available again. Summer registration Friday 3/6. YS summer registration Friday, just June session, reach registration this morning for July session. Book fair at the end of the month. Family night 3/31, spirit night fundraiser at Mia's Table 3/31 (20% back to school): Books are Blooming is the theme for book fair

Fuente:

Will have a booth at Journey to Easter, Garden of Gethsemane

BPC:

Buying same curriculum as preschool for BPC, special kids Easter Service, 10 BPC volunteers for Egg Hunt and Mission booth. 10 kids attending BPC Sunday school, all ages together.

Generosity Committee Minutes:

February:

- We had everyone in attendance in person or on zoom
- Ava mentioned changing the pledge card "address line" in the mail to be more personal... IE: she said it currently reads "To the Able Household" and she suggests it read "Jeannie and Trey Able" or "Mr. and Mrs. Able"
- Ava mentioned the address spreadsheet needs to be cleaned up b/c so many have been returned (waisted postage / money) – she said she has a huge stack of returned packets in her office
- Mark Lumpkin suggested to also EMAIL a "pledge card packet" in addition to the already existing hard copy in mail. Making sure it includes a live link to pledge. He explained why... it made great sense
- Genni spoke how communications is working on more social media announcements... covenant Sunday / the pledge campaign might be a good addition to social media announcements / ministry updates. ?
- Covenant Sunday is Nov 1st which means Oct 18th + Oct 25th will include two videos pertaining to pledging and outreach
- We would love the capital campaign firm to meet with the Generosity Committee to help us understand how the two campaigns will impact one another and how we can best set the church up for success. We want to lean on their expertise and be proactive. This is not their first rodeo, and we know they will have great wisdom for our committee! >>We are thinking JUNE if this is an option.

Outreach Committee Minutes:

March 16, 2026

Kim Oswald, Marc Laney, Mike Pelton, Lisa McChristian, Sharon Roark, Kelsi McCormack, Julie LaRue, Karin Tyson, David Michels, Amy Delgado

Meeting Minutes:

- I. Welcome, Devotion & Opening Prayer – Amy Delgado
- II. Introductions- Elders and Extended Team
 - Team introductions and welcome to Karin and David serving as adjunct members as Treasurer Elect-Elect and Clerk Elect-Elect on our team for the year.
- III. Meetings –Dates & General Overview
 - Discussed 2026 Outreach Committee meeting dates and the general funding schedule during the year.
 - Attendees volunteered to lead the devotional and provide dinner for the remaining meetings of 2026.
- IV. Recap of 2025 Over & Above
 - Kelsi shared that checks have been delivered to partners within the past 2 weeks. We are receiving tremendous gratitude from receiving partners.
 - Results of the final budget allocated/spreadsheet of gifts can be seen in 2025 Dropbox folder.
- V. 2026 Outreach Budget
 - Amy reviewed committee budgets for the year ahead. The group noted that if new partners are added during the year that additional funds can be added to the requesting committee’s budget, to be approved by the elders/this committee.
- VI. Committee Reports
 - Global
 - Family Serving in Saudi Arabia \$11,000
 - The Hall Family \$11,000
 - Kristin Jones \$5,500
 - Mario and Hannah Steir \$5,500
 - CFH – held first meeting
 - DE – held first meeting
 - HSN – first meeting upcoming
 - SBH – held first meeting
 - All Local elders expressed gratitude to Mike Pelton for sharing the spreadsheet he uses for committee/partner/funding tracking.
- VII. Staff reports
 - Local - Julie LaRue
 - Julie provided a report on Church in the City, including the great gratitude we are receiving from our partners for the blessing of our members.
 - We are still in need of more committee members.
 - Global – Kelsi McCormack

- Kelsi shared the upcoming mission trips planned for 2026, including Greece in May (childcare trip supporting The Antioch Partner conference), The Micah Project/Honduras over the Labor Day weekend, and a possible Far East Broadcasting/Cambodia-Thailand (TBC) in November.
- A disaster relief gift (\$5,000) was sent by Outreach to our partners in Beirut (Lebanon) who are assisting a church housing ~45 families/~200 people who have been evacuated from their homes as a result of the Hezbollah/Israel conflict. Funds will assist with food/supplies/relief expenses.
- Palm Sunday offering for Living Water International on March 29. This is MDPC's annual gift to Living Water.

VIII. Closing Prayer - Amy Delgado

MEETINGS – GENERAL OVERVIEW

Frequency: Monthly on the 2nd or 3rd Monday; prior to the monthly Session meeting. This Committee will not meet in July to mirror the Session summer dates.

Location: In Parlor (except in April due to Holy Week/Silent Word)

2026 Outreach Committee Meeting Dates:

- 3/16/2026
- 4/20/2026
- 5/11/2026
- 6/8/2026
- *No meeting in July*
- 8/10/2026
- 9/21/2026
- 10/19/2026
- 11/9/2026
- 12/7/2026 - only if needed

Time: 6 p.m. start (typically 1½ to 2 hours)

Typical Agenda: Devotional and Dinner, Funding Proposals, Reports, Closing Prayer

Preparation:

- Individual Committee Funding Proposals due by end of day Friday prior
- Agenda distributed by Saturday for review

Devotional and Dinner: See sign-up sheet

Meeting Minutes: will be distributed for committee review before sending to Session.

Monthly Focus:

MARCH: Introductions, Global Missionary focus/funding

APRIL – JUNE, AUGUST - OCTOBER: Funding Proposals

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER: Mission Market & Christmas Eve Partners selected, review Partner Descriptions for upcoming year prayer booklet

NOVEMBER: Over and Above projects reviewed/prioritized, any final business

DECEMBER: Only meet if necessary

Worship Committee Minutes:
March 16 | 1-2 pm

Attendees: David , Kelley, Mary, Alf, Rachel, Beth, Meliza, Michael, Charles, Steffanie, Christina, Charlie, Chris, Dan

(Attended via Teams: Hector, Ginny, Kathryn)

Meliza opened in prayer

- I. Quick eval of first three Lenten services and review of upcoming services
 - a. 3/15
 - b. Holy Week
 - i. Maundy Thu (with anointing oil & communion) 7pm in the Sanctuary
 - ii. Good Friday @ 12 noon in the Sanctuary (with choir and trumpeter)
 - iii. Easter
 1. 7am Sunrise svc in the Sanc Courtyard (use Chapel if weather is bad)
 2. 8:15 svc (Blended) in the Sanc
 3. 9:45 svc (Contemporary / Family) in the Sanc
 4. 11:15 svc (Traditional) in the Sanc
 - c. Baptisms on 4/12 (Clay is preaching)
 - d. Choir Concert on 4/26

- II. Master Planning Update
 - a. The Master Planning Committee continues to explore ways to support the growth of both Fuente and BPC, while also discerning which Sanctuary improvements should or should not move forward outside of the formal Master Planning process (e.g., chancel extension, tile flooring replacement, permanent LED screen, etc.).

- III. Media / Comms Updates
 - a. Temporary LED Screen will be installed week of March 23. Worship continues to receive quotes for permanent installation
 - b. Media Staffing updates – Additional part-time staff support is needed to adequately meet the demands of Sunday morning worship and other ministry events. At this time, the Media team is understaffed.
 - c. Easter Bulletin
 - i. Pastors/Worship review on 3/23; Tech on 3/25; final proof on 3/26 to print on 3/30

- IV. Other

March 22 (Lent 5)	The Lion, Lent, and C. S. Lewis	Church (Body of Christ) & Pain	Phil. 2:12-13, I Cor. 11:17-22 & 12:18-27	Alf	5 th Sunday in Lent / Communion
March 29 Palm Sun	The Lion, Lent, and C. S. Lewis	Sin & Salvation	2 Cor. 5:14-17 & John 3:16-21	Alf	Palm Sunday / LWI collection / video about LWI / H-Town Fellows (2-3 minutes) / collect offering /
April 2 (Thu)	Beth arranges			Beth	Maundy Thursday, 7 Sanctuary / Communion
April 3 (Fri)	Alf arranges	Liar, Lunatic, or Lord	Phil. 2:5-13, Mark 2:5-7 & Jn. 10:27-33	Alf	Good Friday, noon Sanctuary / 7 pm Fuente in Chapel
April 19	"Nothing Separates Us"		Romans 8:31-39 <i>Affirmation Rom 8 after sermon</i>	Alf	Easter Sunday 7 Sunrise in courtyard; 8:15 Contemporary, 9:45 Family friend & 11:15 Traditional in Sanctuary / collect offering
April 12	1 Corinthians 15 Series		1 Cor. 15:1-11	????	Baptisms
April 19	One-off Message with Panel	???	???	Panel that Alf moderates	"Senior" Sunday - honor graduating college students / collect offering
April 26	I Cor. 15 Series		I Cor. 15:12-19	Alf	Choir concert at 6p / New Members
May 3	I Cor. 15 Series		1 Cor. 15:20-28	Alf	collect offering / Outreach Video #1 (Boys & Girls Country bc May is Foster Care Month)
May 10	I Cor. 15 Series		I Cor. 15:29-34	Alf	Mother's Day / Baptisms / (Marcus wants offering on this day)
May 17	I Cor. 15 Series		I Cor. 15:35-49	Alf	Legacy Sunday / collect offering
May 24	I Cor. 15 Series		1 Cor. 15:50-58	Alf	PENTECOST SUN / Memorial Day remember members who passed away For summer sermon series, make sure pastors know to give a post-sermon prayer; one-off sermon for SC Sunday
May 31	Essential Tenets Series	Reformed & Evangelical		Alf	Pray for High School Mission Trips (San Antonio) / collect offering / Outreach Video #2 (ICM)