



DEAR MORNINGSIDE  
FAMILY,

Fall is in the air! As we step into this season, we do so balancing that which feels "normal" and that which remains precarious. But despite the uncertainty that life presents, I remain confident

that God is guiding us in the way of justice and peace through this community.

This month, we will kick off our fall commitment season with a question of faith:

**Are you ready to step forward in faith together?**

The question reminds us that God is always calling us forth on a journey of deeper love and connection, even when the path is winding and unclear because of the pandemic. The Psalmist offers assurance that "our steps are made firm in the Lord when he delights in our ways" (Psalm 37:23).

As we enter this season, you have the opportunity to take a step forward by:

- engaging more deeply in worship and education on Sunday mornings
- attending special events that remind us of God's blessings and help us build relationships with one another (a commitment gathering, food trucks and screen on the green, or an affinity group)
- giving of yourself in new ways by volunteering as an usher, greeter, or Sunday School teacher
- fostering generosity by stepping up your pledge for 2022
- praying regularly

No matter what path you choose, I pray that when you journey together with others at Morningside, you feel the love, mercy, and peace of Christ.

**WITH COURAGE AND HOPE,**

PASTOR KATIE

*Our steps are made firm by the Lord,  
when he delights in our way.*

*Psalm 37:23*

#### STEPPING FORWARD IN FAITH

October 10th kicks off this year's commitment season as we consider what it means to Step Forward in Faith together! [Sign up](#) to attend a commitment gathering--in person or on ZOOM--to hear more about Session's strategic priorities for 2022 and share your hopes and dreams for the church.

SAVE-THE-DATE  
COMMITMENT SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 14

#### NEW MEMBERS CLASS

OCTOBER 10 & 24 @ 9:45 A.M.

#### SESSION ROOM

Do you have a friend considering joining the church? Invite them to the next new member's class! Pastor Katie will lead a two week class to learn more about the Presbyterian church and MPC in particular as well as share ways to get involved! At the end of the two weeks, those interested will have the chance to join the church.

For more details, email [Pastor Katie](#).

#### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10 @ NOON

Session has called a congregational meeting for the purpose of voting on the sale of a small piece of our undeveloped property to a neighbor on Cumberland. Plan to stay for a brief meeting following worship on October 10th. If you cannot attend that day or prefer to attend the meeting virtually via ZOOM, please email Pastor Katie by Friday, October 8th for a link.



**Morningside**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# YOUR SESSION @ WORK

Your Session continues to engage in leading the church forward in ways big and small. This month, the Session engaged prayerfully in the strategic work of preparing us for the next season:

- Finance is working with mission teams to begin preparing the 2022 budget.
- Commitment is planning ways to engage the whole congregation in taking the next steps on our journey together with Christ
- Officer Nominating Committee is prayerfully discerning who God is calling as the next class of elders and deacons
- Fellowship is finalizing plans for the All Church Retreat
- Worship and Arts is looking ahead to Advent and Christmas and continues to seek volunteers to help the many parts of worship run smoothly
- Facilities has been hard at work preparing for a new flat roof to be installed, exploring improved sanctuary lighting, and working to keep our building in tip-top shape
- Children's and Youth ministries are actively restarting programs to help our youngest members grow, learn, and play together.

We also marked significant celebrations and prayers for the life of the community:

- Gave thanks for the lives of Faye McKaye Clegg, Gloria Joiner and Andreas Dopheides
- Welcomed Mina Fowler into the family of faith at her baptism (Rev. Amanda's first!)
- Raised >\$10,000 at the Morningside Sings Gala
- Hosted a fun night of Food Truck Fellowship, including walk-ups from neighbors and from MPP families
- Enjoyed a lovely evening at the Morningside Mingle--thanks Deacons!
- Hosted 5 Little Monkeys Consignment Sale and welcomed hundreds of parents to our campus, free advertising for MPCKids! and MPP
- Rejoiced that our \$10K financial support of Memorial Drive Ministries raised >\$10,000 in matching funds to enable them to repair the kitchen and complete other capital upgrades after a recent fire

## FACILITIES UPDATE: ROOF

If you could take a bird's eye view of the church, you would see a shiny new roof on the flat portions of the building. In an effort to take care of God's house, Session approved the replacement of the flat roofs! A combination of a bequest from a former member, several generous donors and remaining PPP funds has enabled us to do this work without an extra capital appeal. Thank you to each of you for your ongoing generosity that enables us to continue the mission and ministries of MPC and thanks to the Facilities team for making this needed maintenance happen!



## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

As things continue to "open up," we are updating the church office hours.

- Monday 9:30-4:00
- Tuesday 9:30-4:00
- Wednesday 9:30-4:00
- Thursday 9:30-4:00
- Friday 9:30-12:30

If there is a Friday afternoon when you need access to the building, please email [Megan](mailto:Megan) to make arrangements ahead of time for her to work onsite.

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAYS @ 9:45 A.M. ROOM 201 OR ZOOM

- October 3 – *Earth's Story in the Old Testament* led by Dr. Bill Brown, Old Testament Professor at Columbia Theological Seminary
- October 10 – *Getting Involved with God: Section 5 – "Torah of the Earth, Humans as Earth's Stewards"*
- October 17 – No Class
- October 24 – "The Church & Disabilities" led by Rev. Amanda Kemery
- October 31 – "The Church & Disabilities" continued.

Email [Pastor Emma](mailto:Emma) for more info or to get the Zoom link.



## WORSHIP TOGETHER IN OCTOBER

10/3—19th Sunday after Pentecost

### WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

*Back to Basics: Peace and Witness*

Ephesians 3:14-21

Emma Neishloss, preaching

10/10—20th Sunday after Pentecost

Stewardship Kickoff

*Stepping Out in Faith: Ordering Our Steps*

Psalm 37:23; Matthew 22:34-40

Katie Owen Aumann, preaching

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

10/17—21st Sunday after Pentecost

Ben Allward-Theimer, guest preacher

10/24—22nd Sunday after Pentecost

### “THIS I BELIEVE”

*Stepping Out in Faith: This I Believe*

Faith Stories from Church Members

Children’s Choir singing in worship

10/31—23rd Sunday after Pentecost

### ALL SAINTS’ SUNDAY

*Stepping Out in Faith: By Faith...*

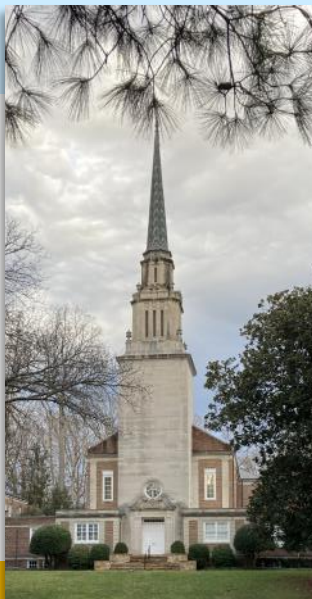
Hebrews 11:1-12:2

Katie Owen Aumann, preaching

Special music from

Brahms’ *German Requiem*

sung by the Chancel Choir



## STEPPING OUT IN FAITH

We begin a new sermon series as we kickoff commitment season, exploring how we set priorities as individuals and as a church. Together, we will tackle big questions: What can the greatest commandment teach us about how we are to order our lives? What does it mean to ‘take a leap of faith’? Can the faith of our ancestors help us persevere in the race set before us? What resources is required for us to journey together? What are we willing to give to make the kingdom visible?

## GUEST PREACHER INFO

Ben Allward-Theimer is a Chaplain and Certified Educator Candidate (CEC) with the VA Healthcare System in Atlanta, GA. Not only does he have the honor of accompanying veterans, families, and staff at the hospital, Ben also relishes the



opportunities to teach with and learn from other clergy members who are embarking on the great adventure of Clinical Pastoral Education. Hailing from the Midwest, Ben has spent the last 6 years building a home here in Atlanta with his wife, Lindsay, and dog, Nica. You can find him on Saturdays watching Liverpool or Atlanta United soccer, hosting meals with friends, or training for (but never completing) a marathon.

## “THIS I BELIEVE”

Don't miss this special Sunday where we get to hear the faith stories of members and find inspiration to Journey Together. The Children’s Choir will help lead us in worship on this day, as well.

## ALL SAINTS’ DAY NECROLOGY

As we look forward to All Saints’ Sunday on October 31, let us take this opportunity to reflect on those who have joined the great cloud of witnesses in the last year. Submit your loved one’s name [here](#). Submissions are due Monday, October 25th.

## BRAHMS’ GERMAN REQUIEM

Join us October 31 for All Saints Sunday as we remember those who have passed from this life into the next. The Chancel Choir continues in the tradition of leading worshipers through a large portion of a requiem within the service. This year, the choir will present 4 of the 7 movements from *Ein Deutsches Requiem* (“A German Requiem”) by Johannes Brahms, sung in German. Composed 1865 and 1868, Brahms used sacred, but not liturgical texts. Brahms did not use the traditional Catholic/Latin requiem words, rather drew from passages from the German Luther Bible. Instead of imploring God to watch over those departed, Brahms’s texts beseech God to bring comfort to the living. Join us and rest in the beautiful music and texts of this requiem.

# MUSIC @ MORNINGSIDE

## CAPITOL CITY OPERA: ON THE LIGHT SIDE

MPC is happy to host Capitol City Opera's fundraiser, "On the Light Side," where they will present great music from classic Hollywood films including *42nd Street*, *Meet Me in St. Louis*, *Singin' in the Rain*, *Funny Girl*, and more, performed by some of Atlanta's best singers. Visit [ccityopera.org](http://ccityopera.org) for more details and tickets!



The 28th Annual

## On the Light Side

A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Friday, October 15 at 7:30 pm

Saturday, October 16 at 7:30 pm

Sunday, October 17 at 3:00 pm

Morningside Presbyterian Church

Doors open an hour before showtime

## NANCY FRAMPTON'S MEMORIAL SERVICE, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

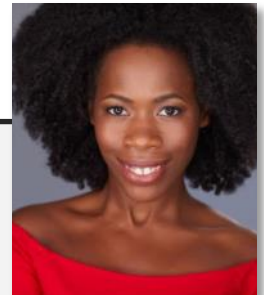
Nancy Frampton was beloved by so many people because of her warmth, sunny disposition, sincerity, and the love she poured out to any and all. Mac and family would like to welcome all to celebrate Nancy's life through remembrances, scripture, and music provided by our Chancel Choir, Atlanta Schola Cantorum, Amanda Graham Brown, Megan Reader, and Sam Hagan. We're giving Nancy the send off she deserves! Plan to come early as the music will begin shortly after 10:30.



SAVE-THE-DATE NOVEMBER 12, 2021!

MAC FRAMPTON IN CONCERT

Pianist, Mac Frampton brings his immense talents to MPC Saturday, 11/12 at 7pm for a fund raising event to aid the Nancy Frampton Rising Star Series. The word "versatility" cannot adequately describe Mac. Piano masterpieces by Bach, Chopin, Liszt, and Mozart quickly will be followed by audience favorites from Broadway to Billy Joel. Mark your calendars now for this not-to-be-missed evening.



## THE NANCY FRAMPTON RISING ARTIST 2022 SERIES LINE-UP!

Three incredibly talented artists comprise the first subscription series.

Mark your calendars now to hear:

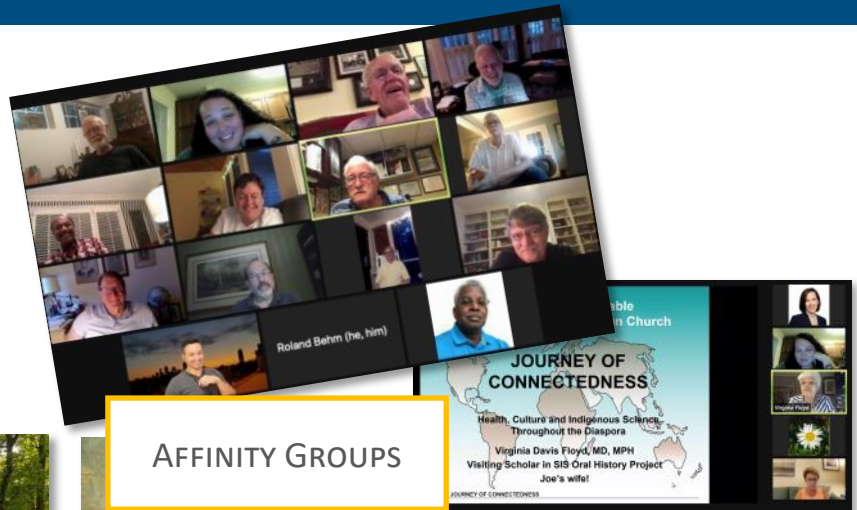
- **April 2, 2022** — Colombian tenor, **David Rivera Bozón**
- **July 23, 2022** — English organist, **David Davies**
- **October 29, 2022** — American soprano, **Jasmine Habersham**

Click [here](#) to learn more about these spectacular artists!





# SEPTEMBER IN PICTURES



## AFFINITY GROUPS



## FOOD TRUCKS



## MORNINGSIDE MINGLE





# MPC YOUTH

**OUR YOUTH WELCOME GIPL**  
 MPC Youth welcomed our friend Hannah Shultz from Georgia Interfaith Power & Light. She shared the work that GIPL is doing to promote environmental justice, why this matters to us as people of faith, and how our youth can get involved!



- 1 Gus Libby
- 1 Charlotte Spears
- 3 Anna Gray Sapp
- 4 Isobel Hadden
- 5 Miranda Brownlee
- 5 Liza Knezevich
- 6 Duncan Spears
- 6 Christopher Gair
- 8 Julia Kneeland
- 11 Daniel Sommerfeld
- 12 George Coogle
- 14 Lily Brooks Woolley
- 14 Quade Ladds
- 15 Alex Regnault
- 17 Rachel Reed
- 17 Reagan Slayton
- 18 David Stewart
- 20 Sienna Weis
- 21 Sadie Irwin
- 21 Elin Page
- 24 Daniel Fowler
- 25 Riley Ruby
- 26 Pam Sharpe
- 26 Finley Holloway
- 26 Catherine Fleming
- 27 Kate Hatcher-Fergemann
- 28 Abigail Ward
- 29 Terry Lawson
- 29 Jason Loring
- 29 Rob Payne
- 31 Jeff Peters



RHO READERS OCTOBER READ:  
**LOVECRAFT COUNTRY** BY MATT RUFF

Now an HBO series, *Lovecraft Country* makes visceral the terrors of life in Jim Crow America and its lingering effects in this brilliant and wondrous work of the imagination that melds historical fiction, pulp noir, and Lovecraftian horror and fantasy. A chimerical blend of magic, power, hope, and freedom that stretches across time, touching diverse members of two black families, *Lovecraft Country* is a devastating kaleidoscopic portrait of racism—the terrifying specter that continues to haunt us today. RHO Readers meets on the third Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom. Join the discussion led by Carol Senf on Sunday October 17th. Click [here](#) for more info and to join!

## INCOMING TURKEYS!

In November, we'll be handing out turkeys to help us donate to Thornwell Home for Children, which is a ministry committed to the most innovative and effective solutions to heal, strengthen, and empower children and families throughout Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina. Click [here](#) to learn more about Thornwell.





# Serve Together.

Researched  
and compiled  
by Jill Klotz

## MISSION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021

Sunday 9/26 was Mission Sunday and what a beautiful service it was! From Brad Schweers, Director of ICM (our food pantry partner) whose sermon was both challenging and thought provoking on what it means to be of service, to our mission partners sharing in the leadership of our worship service, everything about Sunday morning was very meaningful. And when Pastor Emma asked folks to stand who had helped in any capacity with our Mission partners, there was probably a full 90% of those in attendance who stood up.

As the head of the Mission Committee on your Session, the generosity and support of our Morningside family has never ceased to amaze me. Over the last 18 months, you have all been the Mission Committee's inspiration and driving force. Our last 2 school supply drives were so successful that we were able to supply not only Dobbs Elementary but Memorial Drive Ministries and Nicholas House. The collection for Rebecca's Tent at Sunday School Kickoff ended up being a full truck load! Director Tasho Wesley was just amazed and so grateful. Even the drive for supplies for the Afghan refugees overflowed the mission barre! Thank you each and every one of you for the privilege of serving with you. Ask and you will receive!

In His service,

Jack Klotz

MPC Elder and

Chair of the Mission Committee



## MISS THE SERVICE?

Due to our network connectivity issues on Mission Sunday, we were unable to Livestream. Click [here](#) to listen to the service.



## SPECIAL OFFERING: PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS

It was a daring prayer, all things considered, to ask the Thessalonians to pray—and it is also a daring one for us. Have you ever felt so far from God's peace that you couldn't even imagine it? The Peace & Global Witness Offering on Sunday October 3rd helps us imagine and create in each of our individual expressions, and together as a whole Church, a witness to the God of Peace. Twenty-five percent of our collection will be used by our congregation to—support MPC's Mission Partners. Twenty-five percent is shared with our mid council region, and 50% is shared with our denominational partners so that our witness to peace is extended, and we help fulfill the daring prayer in 2nd Thessalonians: that the God of Peace is known "at all times in all ways." Click [here](#) to donate.



We come together to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and around the world.



PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS  
SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
PEACE-MAKING AND RECONCILIATION

SEPTEMBER 5-OCTOBER 3, 2021





**MPC C.A.R.E.**  
Cultivating Awareness Renewing Energy

## ARABIA MOUNTAIN HIKE



### OCTOBER HIKES, 10/30

Pick from two hike options on Saturday, October 30:

- **Heritage Park** (Nickajack Creek), 10 a.m., easy-level hiking with wide, well-groomed, flat trail with boardwalks. Heritage Park's 1.7-mile walking trail has an elevated boardwalk over wetlands, travels through forests along Nickajack Creek, passes the ruins of Concord Woolen Mills, and is near the historic Concord Covered Bridge. Click [here](#) for more info.
- **Grant Park**, 9 a.m., toddler and stroller-friendly walk. Take the Grant Park loop trail for an easy nature walk. Bring a snack and enjoy the playground afterwards. Click [here](#) for more info on this park.
- Sign up [here](#) so we know you're planning on coming. Contact [Jeanne MaCarthy](#) for more info.



### MOWA FUNDRAISER

10.26.21, THE PIEDMONT DRIVING CLUB

Click [here](#) for more info on the Meals on Wheels Atlanta Fundraiser.

**Meals On Wheels Atlanta**

21<sup>st</sup> Annual Meals On Wheels Atlanta

**GOLF CLASSIC**

### APPRECIATION PICNIC

Clifton Sanctuary Ministries said "thank you" to their volunteers by hosting an appreciation picnic.



### CLIFTON'S SUCCESSES TO SHARE!

- Eric W. - Received VA housing voucher and is now in his new home.
- Samuel G. - Has been moved to the Welcome House and is approved to receive housing.
- Stanley W. - Has been approved and in the process of receiving housing.
- Jimmy H. - Approved for housing voucher.







### ICM DONATIONS

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, hunger is increasing in our community. Hunger impacts people in all walks of life, and the risks of COVID-19 has made it more difficult for some to physically get to the pantry safely. Therefore, our friends at ICM are offering more deliveries to ensure food needs are met safely for at-risk guests and need our help to make this happen. MPC is looking for volunteers in teams of two to deliver food to ICM clients at Maggie Russell Towers for the first Tuesday of every month. Click [here](#) to sign up. Contact Nancy Collins or Sophie Ryan for info.

### ICM DONATIONS

- In one week alone at the ICM food pantry, ICM received 446 lbs. of donations and distributed 6,708 lbs. of groceries. 272 household came through the pantry, totaling 439 people served!
- Thank you to all who have been bringing in plastic grocery bags. Please keep them coming! They are so helpful for making snack bags.
- CLICK [HERE](#) TO DONATE TO ICM.

### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

- |                |                         |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| Canned Chicken | UGT Milk (shelf-stable) |
| Tuna Packets   | Jelly                   |
| Uncrustables   | Instant Oatmeal/Grits   |
| Canned Soups   | Gallon sized Ziplocks   |
| Canned Fish    | Plastic Grocery Bags    |

Click [here](#) to order off of the Amazon Wishlist.

### HOW TO DROP OFF DONATIONS

A drop off table is open outside McIver Hall Fridays and Saturdays from 9-12. Pull your car right up to McIver Hall and volunteers will unload your donation.



### THANK YOU!

Because of your generosity, the MPC Mission committee was able to send \$1000 each to RHINO: Rebuilding Hope In New Orleans and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for those suffering in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida. God has blessed us abundantly!

**JUST  
BAKERY**

### JUST BAKERY ON 11 ALIVE

Click [here](#) to watch the 11Alive segment on Just Bakery.

### JUST BAKERY ORDERS

For those of you who sampled Just Bakery's cookies at the Fellowship on Mission Sunday, there are 3 pickup points hosted by your fellow Morningsiders. Amy and Van Jensen host as a pick-up point on the 1st Thursdays of the month. Get in your order the Wednesday before. Sarah and Richard Brownlee host as a pick-up point on the 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Get in your order the Monday before. Julie Greene and Mardee Rightmyer host as a pick-up point on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Get in your order the Wednesday before. Click [here](#) to order.

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

# October 2021

Click on the hyperlinks for more info!

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**3** World Communion

Sunday

9:15 Children's Choir  
9:45 Sunday School  
11 Worship  
12:30 Mission Meeting  
2 [Book Study](#)  
5 Blessing of the Pets  
6 Youth Group

**4**

9 [Partner with the Preacher](#)

**5**

11 Zoom Yoga  
1:30 Staff meeting  
5:30 [MPC Kids \(PreK-2nd Grade\)](#)  
7 Handbell Choir

**6** [DUE JUST](#)

[BAKERY ORDER](#)  
7 [Book Study](#)  
7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**7** JUST

[BAKERY PICK-UP \(JENSENS\)](#)  
8:45 Morning(side) Lift  
11 Zoom Yoga Pam  
12 Centering Prayer  
7 Deacons Meeting

**8**

**9**

7 [MPC Couples & Friends](#)

**10**

9:15 Children's Choir  
9:45 Sunday School  
11 Worship—  
Congregational Meeting  
12 Outdoor Fellowship  
2 [Book Study](#)

**11**

9 [Partner with the Preacher](#)

**12**

11 Zoom Yoga  
1:30 Staff meeting  
5:30 [MPC Kids \(3rd -5th Grade\)](#)  
7 Handbell Choir  
MPP Committee

**13**

7 [Book Study](#)  
7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**14**

8:45 Morning(side) Lift  
11 Zoom Yoga  
12 Centering Prayer  
7 [LGBT & Friends](#)

**15**

7:30 Capitol City Opera

**16**

7:30 Capitol City Opera

MPC Fall Retreat in Montreat

**17**

9:15 Children's Choir  
9:45 Sunday School  
11 Worship  
1 [RHO Readers Zoom](#)  
2 [Book Study](#)  
3 Capitol City Opera

**18** [JUST](#)

[BAKERY ORDER](#)  
[DUE](#)  
9 [Partner with the Preacher](#)  
7 Session

**19** JUST

[BAKERY PICK-UP \(BROWNLEES\)](#)  
11 Zoom Yoga  
1:30 Staff meeting  
7 Handbell Choir  
7 Theology on Tap - [Commitment Gathering](#)

**20**

7 [Book Study](#)  
7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**21**

8:45 Morning(side) Lift  
11 Zoom Yoga  
12 Centering Prayer

**22**

5:30 [Commitment Gathering](#)

**23**

11 Memorial Service for Nancy Frampton

Return from MPC Fall Retreat

**24**

9:15 Children's Choir  
9:45 Sunday School  
11 Worship  
6 Youth Group  
2 [Book Study](#)  
6 Youth Group Trip to Blue Ridge

**25**

9 [Partner with the Preacher](#)  
7:30 [Women's Roundtable Zoom](#)

**26**

9 [Commitment Gathering](#)  
11 Zoom Yoga  
1:30 Staff meeting  
7 Handbell Choir

**27**

7 [Book Study](#)  
7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**28**

8:45 Morning(side) Lift  
11 Zoom Yoga  
12 Centering Prayer

**29**

SCREEN ON THE GREEN & FOOD TRUCKS

**30**

[MPC C.A.R.E. HIKES](#)  
5:30 [Commitment Gathering](#)

**31 ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

9:15 Children's Choir  
9:45 Sunday School  
11 Worship  
2 [Book Study](#)  
6 Youth Group

