



MEMORIAL

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Latest News

The Urban Mission item of the month for April is Pasta. Please place your donation in the box by the church information table.

Spring Fling Silent Auction & Spaghetti Lunch
 Date : Sunday, April 24
 Time : Bidding to start at 9:30 am and end after lunch
 Lunch : Lunch to be served at 12:30

Other News

The Norman Chapter of Parents Helping Parents will meet on Thursday, April 14, 2016. Mentoring Homes and the Path to Sober Living Speaker: Joe Pellow, Director of Men's Mentoring Program Jim Riley Outreach

Samuel McCann will be offering a Sunday School class During the month of April.
 Details on p.7

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends,

I write this shortly after our wonderful Easter service.

I have to say that I was truly blessed by our season of Lent, our Holy Week and Easter worship.

Though worship is not about us, it is about and directed to God, we often are the beneficiaries and can come away changed.

I shouldn't be surprised, but I am. Every year I think I know what is coming. I know what we will be doing in worship. I have seen, written or prepared the liturgy. I have read the scriptures. I have practiced the anthem and run through the hymns. I should know what is coming!

And yet, I am moved by God's presence and the beauty of worship. Surely it is the Holy Spirit at work in us all! Thank you for your presence, for your contributions, for the joy you share with us all. Together we make the body of Christ and together we reflect God's glory.

Speaking of being the body of Christ, we have an opportunity to learn about our Cameroonian sisters and brothers' homeland from Samuel McCann. Samuel is graduating in May with a double major in History and African/African-American Studies. For his capstone class project he is focusing on Cameroonian-Americans and Anglo-Americans as a Presbyterian congregation together. That would be us. I'm looking forward to learning from him and others. See page 7 for his invitation to us.

Blessings to you in this Easter season,

Tracy

Clerk's Corner

Session met on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 7PM. Rev Evans announced that there would be a session retreat beginning Friday, April 1 at 6:30PM - 8:30PM and on Saturday, April 2 from 9AM-noon. Session approved three separate requests for the use of our fellowship hall ((March 26, April 23 and May 15). The next meeting of session will be on Tuesday, April 19.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Cole, Clerk of Session

Stewardship Update			
January 1 to February 29, 2016			
	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	2016 Budget
Pledges	\$38,568.60	\$37,983.00	\$151,932.00
Other Income	\$865.90	\$6,499.98	\$26,000
Total Income	\$41,566.29	\$47,329.83	\$198,321.00
Total Expenses	\$41,566.29	\$47,329.83	\$189,321.00

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M.Y GROUP NEWS
APRIL 2016



ATTENTION ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12, here is our meeting schedule for April

April 10	Re-Run	Norma Taylor will be providing our meal
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April 24	Last meeting until the fall.
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Please contact Joan Cole, 830-8389, if you have any questions.

April Worship Duty Schedule

Head Usher: John Beck

April 3

Ushers: Jessica and Will Farris
Communion Servers: Julie Forthman & Loreen Upton
Coffee: Georjana & Holly
Sound Booth: Tim Thiessen
Acolyte Assistant: Jona Thiessen
Nursery Assistant: Joan Cole
Lock-up: Larry Upton

April 10

Ushers: Kirk and Jessica Forthman
Coffee: Trudy & Ann
Sound Booth: Dave Iske
Acolyte Assistant: Lisa Upton
Nursery Assistant: Susan Beck
Lock-up: Jessica Farris

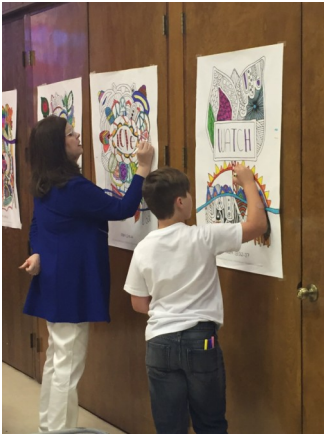
April 17

Ushers: Doug and Ann Forsyth
Coffee: Jim & Lisa
Sound Booth: Will Farris
Acolyte Assistant: Joan Cole
Nursery Assistant: Trudy Beard/Karen Girdner
Lock-up: Jim Rodriguez

April 24

Ushers: Samuel McCann and Ross Robinson
Coffee: Linda & Donna
Sound Booth: Mike Cole
Acolyte Assistant: Trudy Beard
Nursery Assistant: Dona Vint
Lock-up: Loreen Upton

March Fun



Hey everyone, I am planning on starting a Sunday school series for the month of April exploring the histories and cultures of the continent of Africa. It will be during the Sunday school hour (9:30-10:30) and will start April 10th. Within this series I would like to create a deeper familiarity with the history of the continent, as well as Cameroon so that as a whole community we develop a greater knowledge and understanding of important families within our church community. Hope to see you there!

Blessings and peace,
Samuel J. McCann

Spring Fling Silent Auction & Spaghetti Lunch

Date : Sunday, April 24

Time : Bidding to start at 9:30 am and end after lunch

Lunch : Lunch to be served at 12:30

Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to bring a friend, family member or neighbor to join in this social fundraising event.

The Fellowship & Hospitality (F&H) Committee will be hosting a Silent auction with a Spaghetti Lunch on Sunday, April 24. The youth will be serving as wait staff during the lunch. Proceeds from the auctioned items will go towards youth camps & conferences fund.

SILENT Auction

SILENT AUCTION :

F&H will be accepting donated items to be auctioned. Items can be gift baskets, gift cards, baked goodies, single items to be put into a basket, or gently owned items. During the lunch a Bake Sale auction of home baked items will take place. If you would like to donate a plate of cookies, brownies, pie, cake, homemade bread or any other tasty goodie, see Donna Wright, Ann Forsyth & Georjana Mauldin. If you have any questions about an auction item to donate contact Donna, Ann or Georjana. All auction items will need to be turned in no later than Sunday, April 17 with the exception of the baked goods which will need to be turned in the morning of the auction. Bidding will start at 9:30 am that morning and end after lunch. Let the bidding wars begin!



SPAGHETTI LUNCH :

A spaghetti lunch will be served after worship starting at 12:30. The lunch menu will be..... spaghetti with meat sauce, seasoned green beans, tossed salad, French bread and chocolate sheet cake with tea or lemonade. A meal worthy of nobility! Come be served by Memorial's youth and enjoy a delicious lunch. A bake sale auction will commence during lunch time, so save room for extra dessert! If you would like to provide a meal item for the lunch contact Lisa Upton.

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Thursday, April 7, 2016

7:00 p.m.

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Known Joys and Concerns

Those who seek healing

Gene Bergstresser
 Lola Carroll
 Sandy Clarke
 Paula Coffman
 Janice Crump
 Dave Iske
 Vince Leseney
 Jayelle Martin
 Devyn Upton
 Jim & Linda Eckel
 Rhonda Beard (Daughter-in-law of Mike
 & Trudy Beard)

Those who Experienced Recent Loss

In an effort to stay apprised of our on-going prayer concerns, prayer requests of those outside the MPC family will stay on the concerns list for one month. Please let the office know if there is a need to be listed longer.

To receive prayer requests by email,
 please contact Jona Thiessen at:
jthiessen2@att.net

April Birthdays

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| 4 | Bill Storm
Faith Jangha |
| 5 | Shirley Cary |
| 14 | Ara Pennington
Charlotte Lovett
Alex Leseney |
| 16 | Stephen Eyabi, Jr. |
| 19 | Doug Forsyth |
| 20 | Nicoline Jangha
Jeremy Bales |
| 25 | David Lanning |
| 28 | Becca Thraikill
Alison Baker |
| 29 | Mike Beard |

April Anniversaries

- 4 David & Ashlei Cole 2015
 16 Charles & Alison Baker 2011
 21 Steve & Angie Martin 1990

April 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 6:30 P.M. Session Retreat	2 9:00 A.M. Session Retreat
3 Worship w/ Communion 10:55 A.M.	4 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts	5	6 3:00 P.M. Kids' Club 5:00 P.M. Children's Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	7 10:30 A.M. Bible Study in Library	8	9
10 5:00 P.M. M.Y. Group	11 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts	12 6:00 pm Mission & Evangelism Committee 7:00 pm Christian Ed Meeting	13 3:00 P.M. Kids' Club 5:00 P.M. Children's Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	14 10:30 A.M. Bible Study in Library	15	16
17	18 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts	19 7:00 pm Session Meeting	20 3:00 P.M. Kids' Club 5:00 P.M. Children's Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	21 10:30 A.M. Bible Study in Library	22 <i>Earth Day</i>	23
24 9:00 A.M. Silent Auction 12:30P.M. Spaghetti Lunch 5:00 P.M. M.Y. Group	25 7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts	26	27 3:00 P.M. Kids' Club 5:00 P.M. Children's Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	28 10:30 A.M. Bible Study in Library	29	30

