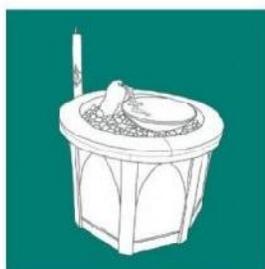


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PAST



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FUTURE

November 8, 2020

Looking forward to year 2021, it seems appropriate to continue with the stewardship theme of "Living Hope": *Past, Present, and Future*, as described to us in 1 Peter:3 - 4. The text may have even greater applicability in our lives today.

These are trying times: The COVID-19 pandemic has been with us much like a plague since late February. In-sanctuary worship services were suspended from March until October, Unemployment has risen, precipitating financial stress for many. Civil unrest has persisted since May. And a presidential election is under way.

1 Peter was addressed to the churches in Asia Minor on the issues of community, mission, and suffering.

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you. :

Like the people of ancient times in the newly established churches in Asia Minor, the church today is of heightened importance in these trying times. Our commitment to God's work has not changed. Our benevolence commitments and the many benefits they bring to the community have not changed. The operating expenses for our church have not changed. As the world around us is in turmoil and stress, our gifts are needed now more than ever before.

In our shared purpose as God's beloved we seek to live into the community of the *Living Hope: Past, Present, and Future*. We give of our financial resources, of our time, of our God given gifts for the purpose of living into a Gospel word heard. We ask that you pray over your existing commitments and consider an increase in your giving of time, gifts and money for 2021. On November 8, as an act of discipleship, we will submit our commitment cards at the conclusion of our worship, or you can drop off or mail the form to the church office. A tear-away commitment form is attached.

MVLC Stewardship Committee
Jason Cornell, Gerry Philipsen, Bruce Sisco

-----Tear Line

In hope: past, present, and future

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