



VOCATIO: CALLING the BELOVED

Lent is the season of baptismal preparation—learning again to die with Christ so that we might also rise with Christ. Each year during this season we strive to renew our sense of the gift and call of baptism on our lives.

This year we'll be exploring the theme of vocation, gaining a theological understanding of this word and its connection with scripture so that we might better ask questions such as:

How is God calling me to serve at this time, in this season of life?

What is my wider calling in life, for which I have been given particular gifts, abilities, capacities, and passions or burdens?

The reality is that vocation always remains an open question in faithful living. God's call to us demands that we listen through many seasons of life and on many levels: to our current circumstances, to our gifts and skills, to the needs of the world, to the Word we've been given, and for the movement of the Spirit. This Lent, we'll practice listening for and discerning vocation, so that we might better understand how God calls us to a life of discipleship in our daily work, relationships, and pursuits.

Pastor Bri Merkle

Vocatio: Calling the Beloved • Lenten Midweek Worship

Wednesday evenings 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

- 3/4 Matthew 27:33-36, 45-46 with Pastor Mitri Raheb
 3/11 Isaiah 43:1-3a, 9-13 + Romans 12:1-8 with Pastor Bri
 3/18 Galatians 4:8-11; 5:1, 13-15 + Mark 12:28-34 with Pastor John
- 3/25 Matthew 16:13-28 with Pastor Bri
- 4/1 1 Samuel 3:1-10 + John 15:1-17 *with Pastor Bri*

Testimony of the Called • Sunday Adult Education during Lent

Sunday mornings 9:30 a.m. in the Life Together Hall

In following with the Lenten theme on vocation, we'll hear from members of the MVLC community about various ways in which they have lived into Christian vocation in their lives.

- 3/15 The Daily Vocation of Marriage
- 3/22 Claiming Our Callings—Vocation Beyond Occupation
- 3/29 The Daily Vocation of Parenting
- 4/5 Listening for a Change in Call

DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES

As you know, Lent is the 40 days before Easter in which we are invited to reflect upon our faith journeys and make an intentional return to God. This Lent, we hope you will experience a difference in the musical style of worship – one that is intentionally designed to support our Lenten disciplines and to create space for prayer, repentance, and self-examination.

Our Sunday worship services will incorporate service music from Susan's setting, *Mass for an Open Heart*. This music was originally composed for a healing service and is written in specific musical keys to resonate with the heart and assist people in accessing their emotions. (If you're curious about this, just ask Susan!).

The service music texts are based on traditional liturgical texts but incorporate Lenten themes. For example, the Gospel Acclamation is a variation on "Return to God" which invites us to trust God's wisdom and mercy enough to surrender control and our own understanding of things (Proverbs 3:5-6). The "Lamb of God" reminds us that when we eat the bread and drink the cup, we become part of Christ (John 6:55-56). Additionally, it names the paradox of the Christian journey—through death we have life—and that through Christ's brokenness we can have healing and wholeness.

For the Lenten Midweek services, we'll be using Prayer forms from the Taizé community. If you're unfamiliar with Taizé, it is an intentional Christian community in France with an emphasis on prayer, Bible study, sharing, and communal work. We thought Taizé worship would be particularly fitting this year since our Lenten series focuses on vocation.

An essential part of a Taizé prayer service is the music. Music from Taizé is designed to be sung prayer:

Short songs, repeated again and again, give it a meditative character. Using just a few words they express a basic reality of faith, quickly grasped by the mind. As the words are sung over many times, this reality gradually penetrates the whole being. Meditative singing thus becomes a way of listening to God. It allows everyone to take part in a time of prayer together and to remain together in attentive waiting on God...

These songs also sustain personal prayer. Through them, little by little, our being finds an inner unity in God. They can continue in the silence of our hearts when we are at work, speaking with others or resting. In this way prayer and daily life are united. They allow us to keep on praying even when we are unaware of it, in the silence of our hearts. [http://taize.fr/en_article338.html]

When we sing these repetitive songs and chants, we help create space for reflection, healing, and listening to the voice of God.

Susan Bloomfield



ROCK MINISTRY

Rock Ministry Announcements

LUTHERWOOD 1-6 GRADE OVERNIGHT RETREAT Friday, March 20 to Saturday, March 21, 2020

For those who are signed up, we'll gather at MVLC at 5:00 p.m. to eat some dinner, then plan to hit the road by 5:45 p.m. If this timeline is a challenge with getting off work, please let me know and we'll adjust. We'll be back Saturday evening. (We will keep you posted as we travel.)

SAVE the DATES for VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2020 Monday, July 6 to Friday, July 10, 2020

Middle Rock (5-7 Grades) Events

REGISTER for FLATHEAD LUTHERAN BIBLE CAMP

Sunday, August 2 to Friday, August 7, 2020

Don't delay any longer... the time is now! Aug. 2nd-7th See included flyer for more info and to sign up. This trip is for youth currently in 5th-8th grades.

EASTER BREAKFAST Sunday, April 12, 2020

We need A LOT of help to get the Easter Breakfast ready and served. Youth can sign up for one shift: either 7:30-9:45 a.m. or 9:30-11:45 a.m. on Easter morning, or a Saturday setup shift. Parents, we also need adults to volunteer as lead cooks, cleanup crew leader, setup leader, and getting groceries the week before. Please let Pastor Bri know when and how you can help: bmerkle@mtviewlutheran.org or 253-863-5171 ext. 111.

ROCK MINISTRY

High School (8-12 Grades) Events

RSVP for the HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER TRIP CHAMP CAMP with LUTHERHAVEN MINISTRIES

Sunday, June 27 to Thursday, July 2, 2020

The youth will spend the week partnered with a youth with disabilities—helping to make sure everyone has a chance to go to camp and experience it fully. We've done this trip before and it was a favorite of the youth. RSVP to Pastor Bri. Friends are welcome too. \$50 deposit due with registration; the rest will be due in the Spring. Cost is approximately \$330/youth (scholarships available).

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Scholarships for Graduating HS Seniors

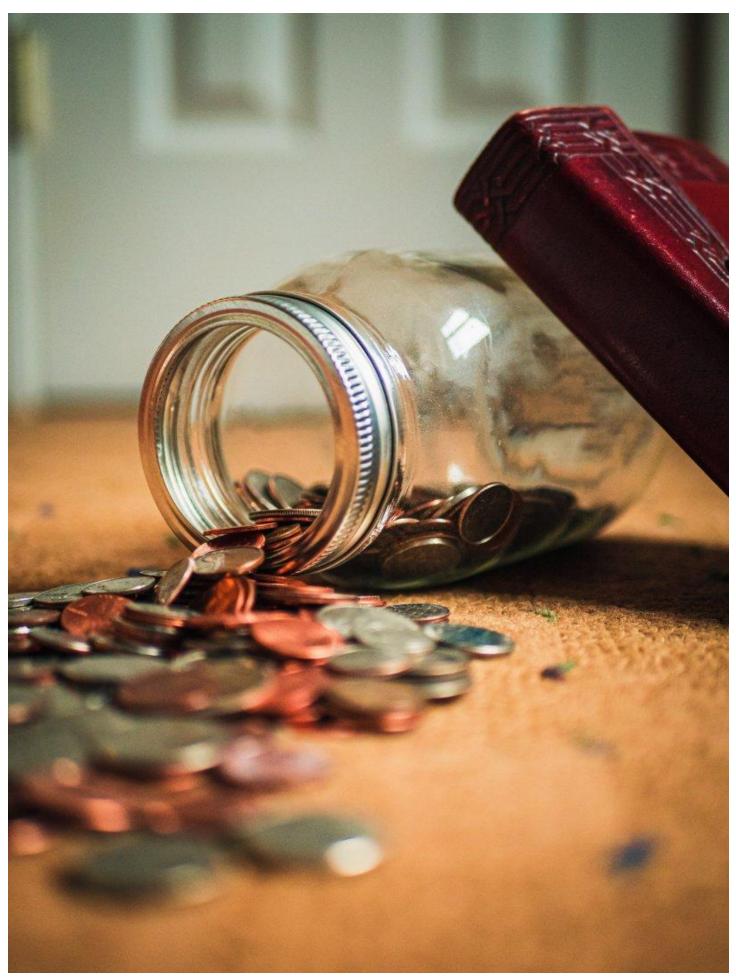
Scholarship applications are available in the church office or electronically by emailing Pastor Bri at bmerkle@mtviewlutheran.org. You may apply for as many of these scholarships as you are eligible for. Please be sure to read the descriptions to discern which are applicable to you.

LEAF Scholarships due April 1, 2020

Lutheran Educational Aid Fund (LEAF) Scholarships are for students who will be attending a Lutheran College or University. This scholarship is renewable from year-to-year so long as the student remains at a Lutheran college.

Baurichter Scholarship due April 1, 2020

The Donna Marie Baurichter Klauser Memorial Scholarship is given to one student each year in honor of an incredible woman who believed in the power of faith and the pursuit of knowledge. This application requires an application along with letters of recommendation, an essay, school transcripts, and a copy of the Letter of Acceptance to your school of choice.



Children and youth are invited to bring forward a Noisy Offering of coins and dollars during the offering on the Sundays of Lent. This is part of our Lenten practice of giving beyond the congregation and ties in with the themes of our Lenten Family Devotional. We will collect Noisy Offering every Sunday of Lent. At the end, the proceeds will go to Peace Community Center and Hilltop Urban Gardens, organizations our kids voted on. To read more about these organizations, please see the back of your bulletin.



NOISY OFFERING RECIPIENT #1 • PEACE COMMUNITY CENTER

Rooted in faith and the Hilltop neighborhood, Peace Community Center believes education is an integral part of a strong community. We support and encourage youth historically underrepresented in college to cultivate their academic and leadership talents so that they can gain full access to educational opportunities and reach their full potential. We envision a vibrant community of hope, where youth become life-long learners who act with compassion and confidence, using their diverse gifts for positive change.

NOISY OFFERING RECIPIENT #2 • HILLTOP URBAN GARDENS (HUG)

Founded in late 2010, Hilltop Urban Gardens is a community-based urban agriculture, justice, and equity organization in Tacoma, WA. HUG partners with the community to grow healthy food and to create a healthy community. We seek to inspire our community to live with abundance while understanding and interrupting the root causes of economic poverty & wealth accumulation and systems of oppression. We believe growing our own food is an important strategy in this process. Our vision is communities that take care of each other. HUG values interdependence, abundance and community building. While we dig our hands into the earth, HUG aims to build community-based solutions to address barriers in our community.

PRAYERS of the CHURCH

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who mourn the deaths of loved ones.

-) Chris Duskin, Olivia Duskin, Chloe Duskin, and family at the death of Chris's mother and Olivia and Chloe's grandmother Marie Duskin.
-) Pili Wolfe and family at the death of her cousin Toni Ann Brendt.

We pray for members of our congregation serving as missionaries.

- Hannah Johnsrud, serving as an ELCA missionary, in accompaniment with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, in Jerusalem.
- Christina Knierim, serving as a missionary with Youth with a Mission in Puerto Rico.

Amen.

PRAYERS of the CHURCH

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for members of our congregation in need of healing.

- John Bachner.
-) Wanda Danielson.
-) Darrel Hagen.
- J Stewart Luckman.
- Doug Mandt.
-) Darel Roa.
- **J** Ken Sturgeon.
- Den Wadnizak.

We pray for our family and friends in need of healing.

-) Sue Baker, mother of Diane Tyler.
-) Delores Chapel, sister of Lois Stark.
- Marylyn Dicinoski, cousin of Phil Edlund.
-) Cathy Ghiglione, friend of Kathy Harris.
-) Stacey Hailey, daughter of Ed and Lois Stark.
- Dianne Kimble, sister of Darlene Thompson.
-) Wendell Nascimento, friend of Mervina Sturgeon and Pili Wolfe.
- Hanna Safley, friend of the MVLC high school youth.
- Marshall Smith, brother-in-law of Ann Yost.
- Dorothy Sprague, mother of Marlene Wright.
- Jim Stark, son of Ed and Lois Stark.
-) Pete Thibadeau, husband of Claudia Thibadeau.
-) Ron Thompson, son of Darlene Thompson.

Amen.

MITRI in MARCH at MVLC

Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb, Lutheran pastor, founder/president of Dar al-Kalima University of Arts and Culture in Bethlehem, and co-founder of Bright Stars of Bethlehem visits Mountain View Lutheran Church during the month of March.



Pastor Raheb has visited MVLC multiple times. Bright Stars of Bethlehem is one of our benevolence recipients and ministry partners. Pastor John and Pastor Mitri have worked together on issues of human rights in the Holy Land for all people, especially Palestinians in the Occupied Territories, for many years.

MITRI at LENTEN MIDWEEK WORSHIP

On Wednesday 3/4 join us for a Lenten midweek soup-and-bread dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Life Together Hall, followed by Lenten midweek worship at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Pastor Raheb is our guest preacher during the worship service.

All are welcome to attend these free events.

Let us know if you will be joining us for March 4, 2020 Lenten Midweek Worship at www.facebook.com/events/181854033025192

Learn more about the "Disarming Polarization: Navigating Conflict and Difference" Symposium on March 5-6 and/or register to attend at www.plu.edu/wang-center-symposium

MITRI at the PLU WANG CENTER SYMPOSIUM

MVLC is sponsoring Rev. Dr. Raheb keynote speech, "Faith in the Age of Hijacked Religions," at 6:30 p.m. on Friday 3/6 at PLU's Wang Center for Global Eduation as part of the "Disarming Polarization: Navigating Conflict and Difference" Symposium.

New Members Class During Lent

Sunday, March 1 through Sunday, March 29

This spring we are offering our New Member/Inquirer's Class led by Pastor John. This class gives an overall view of our mission and ministry here at Mountain View, as well as a better understanding of the Lutheran faith.

This year's New Member Class begins on Sunday March 1, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. during the education hour. The class meets for five weeks through Sunday March 29, 2020. Attendance at the class does not mean membership at MVLC unless that is what you decide to do. You are always welcome to worship without membership, but we are hopeful you will feel compelled to join us in the mission and ministry of Mountain View Lutheran Church.

A brunch and reception for new members will be held on Palm Sunday and new members will be welcomed into the congregation the following week during the Easter Vigil service.

If you are interested in being a part of this class, please contact Parish Worker Marlene Wright in the Church Office by calling 253-863-5171 or emailing mwright@mtviewlutheran.org.

Social Justice: Some Questions from Christian Witnesses

Sunday, March 1 and Sunday, March 8, 2020

Pacific Lutheran University Professor of Religion Kevin O'Brien teaches a two-week class "Social Justice - Some Questions from Christian Witnesses."

As he describes the class: Contemporary politics includes lots of discussion of social justice, both critical and aspirational. In these sessions, we'll discuss what we might learn from some key figures in Christian history about what social justice is and the difficult questions it raises for all sides of the political spectrum.

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR

Projects Completed 11/19 thru 2/20

- Training Parish Worker Marlene Wright to perform the weekly bookkeeping duties (recording offering and writing checks).
- J Launch of ShelbyNEXT Giving online giving, pledge, and event registration system.
- Purchased audio/visual equipment for permanent video recording capabilities in the Sanctuary and Life Together Hall, as well as replacement mics for Adult Ed and Band. Funded by Mission Endowment Fund Grant.
- Replacement of computers and monitors for Rock Ministry Office, Nursery, and two volunteer desks. (Two were 9 years old, and two were at least 11 years old.)
- J Installation of TV in front office for announcements, pictures, and video feed from Sanctuary and Life Together Hall. *TV donated*.
- Installation of new network lines between Chapel and Administration Building IT closet. *Honey Doer Project*. (Most of the conduit was installed during the Admin Building construction.)
-) Repairs to MVCC Septic System to prevent backups.
- J Installation of new Wi-Fi enabled sump pump monitoring for Sanctuary Furnace room and Chapel West Basement Exit.
- Energy efficient LED lighting conversions for Chapel, Education Building Classrooms/Hallway, and Community Center 100% funded by Puget Sound Energy Rebate!
- J Living Hope Campaign launch of online pledge form and recurring giving.
- Annual HVAC maintenance completed, along with repairs to two Sanctuary furnaces, one Chapel furnace, three ductless heat pumps in the MVCC Offices (MVCC Expense), one rooftop unit over the Life Together Hall and restrooms, and one heat pump in the Education Building.

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR

Upcoming Priorities for 2020

- J Launch of church mobile app via ShelbyNext.
- J Installation of new A/V Equipment. *Purchased with 2019 Mission Endowment Grant*.
- **J** 2020 Mission Endowment Fund Distribution.
- Repaint metal exterior doors and frames on Community Center. Honey Doer project in process.
- Verizon Cell Phone Tower Construction. Community Zoning Meeting Schedule in Process.
- J Installation of the Gathering Space windows. (Estimated install date in April 2020.) Funded by designated gifts.
- Permanent video recording capabilities from both the Sanctuary & Life Together Hall for Adult Education & Grace Place Events. *All equipment was purchased with 2019 Mission Endowment Fund grant*.
- Replacement of the Education Building Roof. *Funding is complete! Work to begin 2/25/2020*.
- Replace flooring in Chapel Restrooms. *Honey Doer project in progress*.
- Addressing acoustics in the Community Center Upstairs. Thrivent Choice Project.

Thank you for your continued support of "God's Work, Our Hands" through the Ministry & Mission of Mountain View Lutheran Church!

In His service,

Phil Edlund

Church Administrator

MISSION ENDOWMENT FUND

MEF Committee to Distribute \$22,700

The Mission Endowment Fund Committee will distribute up to \$22,700 to mission related projects, over and above our 2020 General Fund Ministry & Mission budget! Applications will be accepted from now until March 31st!

Visit https://mtviewlutheran.shelbynextchms.com/external/form/a660523c-9fea-4ed7-a681-95842b0ef70f to apply today!

Applications must be submitted and sponsored by a member of Mountain View Lutheran Church, and must comply with Mission Endowment Fund distribution guidelines:

Project start date must be after April 15, 2020.

Project completion date must be less than two years from date of application.

Projects should have active participation by members of Mountain View Lutheran Church.

Project must be considered one of the following types:

- Missions local, regional, and global projects.
- J Education college and seminary scholarships and special programs within Mountain View Lutheran Church.
- Youth support for ministry and programs directed to youth of all ages.
- Worship and Music support for the worship and music life of Mountain View Lutheran Church.
-) Capital Projects major renovations and building of new facilities.

For questions or more information, please contact Mission Endowment Fund Chair, Chris Duskin, at cduskin@guildmortgage.net or via phone at 425-478-5866.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Direct Thrivent Choice Dollars by 3/31

Attention Thrivent Members!

We are collecting Thrivent Choice Dollars to cover the cost of installing acoustic treatment on the ceiling of the main room of the Mountain View Community Center. This will increase the usability of the room, by eliminating the loud echo that currently exists, making it easier for everyone to hear presenters and providing a more hospitable environment for welcoming visitors!

Amount needed: \$9,000 to \$13,500 (depending on the number of panels includes installation)

Current amount received: \$8,483 (about 63% of the amount needed)

Amount Still Needed: \$5,017

Direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars by:

Phone: call 1-800-847-4836, and say, "Thrivent Choice."

Online: visit www.thrivent.com, login, then click on "Direct Choice Dollars." Hint: When searching for Mountain View Lutheran Church, leave the organization name blank. Type in "Edgewood" for the City and select "WA" for the state. This will bring up a short list and make it easy to find "Mountain View Lutheran Church."



CAMPUS CLEAN UP DAY!

Saturday, March 28, 2020 • 9:00 a.m.

The date for the annual MVLC outdoor cleanup project is set! Coordinated with the MVLC Property Ministry Group, Scouts and their parents and leaders will be on the campus all morning. (And, if there is enough work, perhaps into the afternoon.)

Congregational members are welcome to join in!

Bring gloves, attire suitable for the weather, and pitch in. Stay all morning or leave when you must.

Together, we can have our campus looking good for Easter and into the summer months.

Thank you to Troop 525 BT, Troop 525 GT, Cub Pack 526, and Venture Crew 525!



Mountain View Lutheran Church

This is an opportunity for you to participate in beautifying the sanctuary for Easter Sunday by making a donation for Easter Chrysanthemum. Fill out this form and return to the offering plate or church office with \$10.00 per plant by Palm Sunday.

| Your Name: | |
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| Number of Plants: | |
| ** Please note that this is considered a donation and is not a guarantee that there will be a plant available to all who order ** | |
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Mt. View Altar Guild

Edgewood NOURISH Food Bank

January 2020 Statistics

9 = number of distribution days

1,333 =families served

5,767 = individuals served

101,272 = pounds of food distributed

46 = new clients

81 = individual volunteers who worked

1,386 = total volunteer hours

Suggested donations = tomato sauce, cereal, shampoo.

Bring items with you to church and leave them in the purple bin on the MVCC/Food Bank cart!

We are looking for a few able-bodied folks to serve as Grocery Rescue Volunteers. For more information please call 253-826-4654.





Women's Morning Retreat

Saturday, April 25, 2020 • 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Mountain View Lutheran Church



There is an old Irish saying: *It is in the shelter of each other that the people live*. I would expand on this a bit to say, it is in the shelter of God and one another that we live.

In the midst of our lives, filled with their joys and struggles, we do take shelter in our faith in God and in the support we find among one another. So you are invited to come and take refuge in relationship, scripture, conversation, and story sharing.

We'll gather for brunch, open with a contemplative worship to enter into this time together, and then break out into inter-generational small groups for devotion and sharing the stories (joys and concerns) of our lives. Draw on the wisdom and faithfulness of the generations, gathered together, as you navigate Christian daily-living.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, April 15 to bmerkle@mtviewlutheran.org.

GENERAL FUND GIVING UPDATE

Giving for January and February 2020

January and February continue to show giving at just above expected giving levels, based on the average of the last five years without extraordinary giving: 116.61% of expected giving!

Thank you for your continued faithful support of God's ministry through Mountain View Lutheran Church! We pray that we continue this momentum throughout the year!

| | 1/31/2020 actual + thru 2/16/2020 actual | 2020 Spending Guideline | Difference | 2019 Actual |
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| Month ending 1/31/2020 | \$79,091 | \$75,726 | \$3,365 | \$69,907 |
| Month to date 2/16/2020 | \$78,920 | \$84,425 | \$19,143 | \$51,060 |
| Year to date 1/31/2020 | \$79,091 | \$75,726 | \$3,365 | \$69,907 |
| Year to date 2/16/2020 | \$158,011 | \$135,502 | \$22,509 | \$120,967 |

PEACE and JUSTICE

Let's Go to the Movies!

All movies start at 12:15 p.m. in the MVLC Library.

Sunday, March 1, 2020

American Factory

in 2010, the last car rolled off the GM assembly line in Moraine Ohio, just outside of Dayton. IN 2015, the plant reopened under new management: the Chinese company Fuyao. There was also a new product: auto glass. Workers flocked to the jobs. But how did this new-style plant work for old time auto workers? This film won the 2020 Academy Award for Best Documentary.

Sunday, March 29, 2020

A Sweet Deal and Bitter Chocolate

A double header (each is about 50 minutes long) about the sugar industry and the chocolate industry.

Sunday, May 3, 2020

How to Change the World

This film chronicles the adventures of a group of young, idealistic Americans in the 1970's who wanted to end Nixon era nuclear bomb tests in Amchitka, Alaska, and ended up creating a new green movement.

Sunday, May 31, 2020

A Plastic Ocean

We live in a world of plastic. Shopping bags, drink bottles, your toothbrush and even your clothes are among the everyday items made from plastic. But plastic isn't fantastic, and neither is the current state of our environment. A look at the global effects of plastic on the planet.

Free!

Bring a snack to share. If you forget, there will be snacks on hand!

Bring your family, your friends, and come share a movie with us.

Have a great movie you think we should be watching? Let us know. Maybe your suggestion will show up on a future Movie Sunday.

First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 • Psalm 32 • Romans 5:12-19 • Matthew 4:1-11

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| 8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. | Worship Rock Ministry, Adult Education, and New Member Class | 12:15 p.m. | Peace and Justice Movie |
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| | | 8:00 p.m. | Lenten Midweek Worship Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal |
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| 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. | Honey Doers Women's Bible Study | | |
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| 7:00 a.m. | Men's Bible Study | | |
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Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a • Psalm 121 • Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 • John 3:1-17

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8:15 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Rock Ministry, Adult Education,

and New Member Class

10:45 a.m. Worship

Fair trade coffee, tea, and chocolate

9 MONDAY

10 TUESDAY

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 1:00 p.m. Book Club 6:00 p.m. Peace and Justice 6:30 p.m. Council Meeting

11 WEDNESDAY

9:30 a.m. MVLC Quilters

Lenten Midweek Worship

5:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Soup and Bread Dinner 7:00 p.m. Lenten Midweek Worship 8:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

12 THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Honey Doers 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawls 7:00 p.m. Deacons

13 FRIDAY

14 SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 17:1-7 • Psalm 95 • Romans 5:1-11 • John 4:5-42

15 SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Rock Ministry, Adult Education,

and New Member Class

10:45 a.m. Worship

16 MONDAY

1:00 p.m. Mary Circle

17 TUESDAY

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 12:30 p.m. Rebecca Circle

18 WEDNESDAY

9:30 a.m. MVLC Quilters

Lenten Midweek Worship

5:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Soup and Bread Dinner 7:00 p.m. Lenten Midweek Worship 8:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

19 THURSDAY

8:30 a.m. Honey Doers

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study

20 FRIDAY

21 SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study

Fourth Sunday in Lent

1 Samuel 16:1-13 • Psalm 23 • Ephesians 5:8-14 • John 9:1-41

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| 25 WEDNESDAY | Lenten Midweek Worship 5:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal |
| 9:30 a.m. MVLC Quilters | 6:00 p.m. Soup and Bread Dinner 7:00 p.m. Lenten Midweek Worship |
| | 8:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal |
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| 26 THURSDAY | |
| 8:30 a.m. Honey Doers | |
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| 27 FRIDAY | |

28 SATURDAY

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Campus Clean-Up Day

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Ezekiel 37:1-14 • Psalm 130 • Romans 8:6-11 • John 11:1-45

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| 8:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. | Worship Rock Ministry, Adult Education, and New Member Class | 12:15 p.m. | Peace and Justice Movie |
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| 4 SATUR | DAY | | |
| 7:00 a.m. | Men's Bible Study | | |
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Back cover: Ash Wednesday morning worship on 2/26.

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Would you like to submit something for consideration? It needs to be emailed to MVLC Communications Director Troy Kehm-Goins by the 15th of the month prior to publication. And preferably in an editable electronic format!

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