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## The Chancel Flowers are given by

Bitsy Cleveland, in thanksgiving and gratitude to MDPC and its staff for 21 wonderful years of furthering the ministry of Jesus Christ!

## The White Rose is in memory of

- Jim W. Smith, who passed away April 26, 2016.
- Jay Quisenberry, who passed away April 30, 2016.

## Ministry Partners 2016

This week, we ask that you please pray for these partners in ministry that MDPC assists with your support:

**The Gathering of Men** brings disciples to maturity in Jesus Christ through outreach and service. Word of mouth drives the group's growth, as participants bring their friends and family members. The Gathering's events range in size from five to 1,000, with attendees coming from all walks of life.

[houstongathering.org](http://houstongathering.org)

**Generation One** furthers the spiritual growth of at-risk youth and the material rebuilding of its community, Houston's impoverished Third Ward. Its focus has expanded to include both educational and economic interventions, including an after-school program, summer camp, abstinence programs, and a community beautification project designed to show children their potential.

[generationone.net](http://generationone.net)

**Free Wheelchair Mission (FWM)** takes wheelchairs to places around the world where the disabled never have had mobility. FWM ministers to each recipient and shares the good news of Christ's call - that we are free in Him! Pray that a life would be transformed with each chair given and that communities would see God is good as He meets needs in tangible ways.

[freewheelchairmission.org](http://freewheelchairmission.org)

## WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

### OPERATING INCOME

2016 Budget	\$ 11,050,000
Expected Income to Date	\$ 2,633,417
Actual Income to Date	\$ 2,978,673
Current Income Surplus	\$ 345,256

For families who live on less than \$2 a day, the cost of a wheelchair is beyond reach. Many disabled individuals either crawl or wait to be carried. They are victims of polio, birth defects, viral infections, accidents, brutal mutilations, land mines, and warfare. Addressing this need is why **Free Wheelchair Mission**, an MDPC partner supported by your giving, exists. >



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# Sent

By the Savior

Sunday, May 8, 2016

## Sent: To Ephesus

Acts 19:23-41 | Alf Halvorson Preaching



### Prime Timers presents Songs We Love

We welcome back beloved musical guest, Lori St. Pé-Whitfield singing songs we love!

**Tuesday, May 17 | Free Program: 10:30 AM, Lunch (\$9.50); Noon | Fellowship Hall**

Your check is your reservation. Checks made out to MDPC must be received at the front office by May 11. Visitors are welcome for the program but must make a reservation for lunch.

### Discover MDPC with Alf

Want to know more about MDPC? Interested in membership? Attend a brief meeting to learn about who we are and how we operate, both in our community and around the world.

**Sunday, May 22 | 10:45-11:15 AM | Gathering Room**

### Men's Summer Study

Join MDPC Men's Ministries for a special book study on leadership, facilitated by Brett Hurst, Ken Harris, and MDPC Men. Open to all men. Free to attend.

**Tuesdays, June 7-July 26 | 6:30-7:45 AM | Amphitheater**

For more information, contact Brett Hurst at [bhurst@mdpc.org](mailto:bhurst@mdpc.org) or 713-490-0930.

### Camino de Santiago - A Pilgrimage in the Steps of James

For centuries, faithful Christians have made pilgrimages to holy sites as a way of exploring and expressing their faith. Join a small group of pilgrims from Texas on a Pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago in Spain. We will walk (a total of 100 kilometers in 6 days), pray, share our stories of faith, experience the ancient and present day culture of our fellow pilgrims of the world, and dive into spiritual practices in a whole new way.

**Trip Dates: September 9-20, 2016**

We'll need to do some training to safely walk that distance! Please contact Amy Delgado in Outreach Ministries by May 31 to sign up ([adelgado@mdpc.org](mailto:adelgado@mdpc.org)).

### Mission: Budapest

We're seeking young adult and college-aged travelers to visit an MDPC partner in Budapest for a week of street outreach and fellowship with young Hungarians interested in hearing about Jesus. The coffeehouse worship service tops off our week in this beautiful city.

**Trip Dates: July 23-30, 2016 | Sign-up deadline: Wednesday, June 15**

Contact Amy Delgado: [adelgado@mdpc.org](mailto:adelgado@mdpc.org) or 713-490-9565

### Save the Date: Marriage Retreat led by Brett & Kellie Hurst

**Saturday-Sunday, October 1-2 | Woodlands Waterway Marriott | \$210/couple**

Contact Amanda Grace Caldwell at [acaldwell@mdpc.org](mailto:acaldwell@mdpc.org) with questions.

PLEASE silence or place your cell phone in airplane mode upon entering worship. Thank you!





# MDPC MORNING WORSHIP

\*Please stand if able.

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## 8:30 & 9:45 AM SERVICES

WELCOME Dave Steane (8:30), Meliza Gómez (9:45)

\*SONGS OF PRAISE

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE Kristin Huffman (8:30), Dan Aikins (9:45)

BAPTISMS (9:45) Alf Halvorson

Caroline Elizabeth Holub, daughter of Karl and Molly Holub

Chanse Edward Holub, son of Karl and Molly Holub

Charles Everett Holub, son of Karl and Molly Holub

Emily Joan Knoop, daughter of Alex and Christyn Knoop

Audrey Nicole Long, daughter of Robert and Sara Long

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

MESSAGE Sent: To Ephesus Alf Halvorson

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Musicians in these services: Gus Alvarado, drums; Joe Gavito, guitar; Meliza Gómez and Perla Gutierrez, worship leaders; Craig Gysler, keys; Dennis Whittaker, bass

## 11:15 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

PRELUDE Festive March Henry Smart (1813-1879)

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Dave Steane

CHORAL INTROIT Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven Carl Freeman (b. 1955)

\*HYMN OF PRAISE O Worship the King #476; Vs. 1, 2, 5 | LYONS

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from 1 Corinthians 15:1-6 & Colossians 1:15-20

ANTHEM Love One Another Yancy  
This Little Light of Mine Harry Dixon Loes (1895-1965)

BAPTISMS Alf Halvorson

Jameson Jack Alford, son of Andrew and Jaclyn Alford

Hudson Blaine Morgan, son of Christopher and Kelly Morgan

OFFERTORY God of Grace and God of Glory Paul Langston

MESSAGE Sent: To Ephesus Alf Halvorson

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak #426; Vs. 1,4 | CANONBURY

POSTLUDE Grande Marche Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

Musicians in this service: Charles Hausmann, Sanctuary Choir conductor; Kathryn White, piano/organ

## 11:15 AM SPANISH SERVICE

MDPC's Fuente Hispanic Ministries worships in the Chapel. For more information on Spanish-language and bilingual community events and programs, visit [fuente.mdpc.org](http://fuente.mdpc.org).

## 5:00 PM FIFTH SERVICE

MDPC's Fifth Service is a worshipping community that encourages a more casual atmosphere and an intimate worship experience. Join them Sundays in the Chapel. Visit [fifthservice.mdpc.org](http://fifthservice.mdpc.org) for more info.

**VISITORS:** If you are visiting MDPC today, we are delighted that you have come to worship with us! Allow us to welcome you personally at the Connection Center located in the Sanctuary Lobby.

**INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?** For inquiries on how to become a member of MDPC, contact Diann Turet at [dturet@mdpc.org](mailto:dturet@mdpc.org) and join one of our New Member Classes that run throughout the year.

# Donate Blood



**MDPC Blood Drive**  
**Today! 8:00 AM-2:00 PM**  
**Fellowship Hall**  
Walk-ins are welcome.

## MAM and MDPC: Working Together for Flood Relief

Our ministry partner, **Memorial Assistance Ministries**, is collecting items to make home-care packs for victims of Houston's recent flooding. Consider donating items listed on the "shopping list" flyers available at the Connection Center in the Lobby.

Thank you for supporting neighborhood families!



## Sent To Serve Summer Service Opps

Following Pastor Alf's Sent By the Savior Sermon series, we hope you've heard God's call to go out into the city and beyond to share the love and hope found in Jesus Christ.

For details, visit [sent.mdpc.org](http://sent.mdpc.org).

"As the Father has sent Me, I am sending you."  
John 20:21



## HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS NIGHT

SUNDAY NIGHTS THIS SUMMER  
KICKS OFF JUNE 5 • 6-8 PM • BALL FIELD



## GLOW FOR GOD

MDPC Summer Celebration 2016

## Summer Celebration 2016

MDPC's version of Vacation Bible School

July 11-15 • 9:30 AM-12:30 PM

For children who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade. Preschool children can attend if a parent volunteers.

**We need adult and teen volunteers!**  
[sc.mdpc.org](http://sc.mdpc.org)

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*By the Savior*

### ***Sent: To Ephesus***

Acts 19:23-41

Alf Halvorson Preaching

One of the places where Paul spent considerable time growing a church and sharing the Gospel was Ephesus. From Acts 19:8-10, that Paul first shared the Good News of Jesus boldly in the synagogue for three months. When many there rejected him, he left that setting and rented space in the lecture hall of Tyrannus, where he argued with people daily from 11 AM to 4 PM. This was in addition to his tent-making business. This dialogue went on for two years, “so that all the residents of Asia, both Jews and Greeks, heard the word of the Lord” (Acts 19:10). That is quite an accomplishment. Many positive things happened through Paul’s ministry (Acts 19:11-20), but one famous riot erupted in the town theater (seating 30,000 people) over Paul’s teaching.

1. From verses 23-32 of Acts 19, what caused the riot? What was Paul teaching? How did some react?
2. With every large scale grouping of people in one place, some know what’s going on and why they are there, while others are just following the crowd. React to verse 32. Is there a modern example of this kind of “herd mentality”? What is the danger of just going along with the crowd?
3. Verses 33-34 describe this group yelling, “Great is Artemis of the Ephesians,” for two straight hours. What was at stake here? Why were they so passionate? Do they protest too much? What is your “read” of this 120-minute group chant?
4. The town clerk of Ephesus came into the theater and settled them down and disbanded them (verses 35-41). What were his arguments? Why do you think he was persuasive?
5. I talked in my sermon about how sometimes the Gospel hits very close to home, with our work or our pocketbooks or our security questioned. How does Paul’s message hit Americans between the eyes? Houstonians? You?
6. Paul is really talking about idols that can somehow take the place of the living God in our lives. What idol(s) do you wrestle with most? And why was Paul so dedicated to pointing out the big idols in Ephesus? Did he save lives or ruin lives? Where, if at all, are you called to name the idols around you?



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