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#### **Pastors Emeritus**

Dave Peterson Gary Bowker

# **STUDY & SMALL GROUP** SPOTLIGHT

# **Wednesday Evening Men's Group**



Bible and book study for men, most in their 30s to 60s. Currently they are studying the book of Exodus.

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM | MC 127

Contact David Short with questions: dshort.short@gmail.com

#### Today's Chancel Flowers are given by:

- Sam and Norma Gainer, in celebration and gratitude to God for 40 wonderful years of marriage.
- Bob and Gale Lemer, in remembrance of Joyce Lemer's birthday.

#### **Ministry Partners 2017**

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

The Beacon provides hot meals, showers, laundry service, and case management to over 600 clients each day. These essential services meet both the most basic and critical needs of Houston's under-served and homeless clients.

beaconhomeless.org

**Bo's Place** provides grief support to children and families who have experienced the death of a parent or sibling. It offers community edals and volunteers who work with children and families in grief. Bo's Gulfton, East End, and Katy.

MDPC Field Partners Steve and Barbara **Johnson** serve in Budapest, Hungary, through Youth With a Mission. The Johnsons operate a coffeehouse that serves ucation and training to profession- as an evangelism center, reaching out to the Budapest community with music and conversation that spark spiritual discussion. Place has offsite support groups in They welcome visitors and mission teams. ywambudapest.hu

#### MDPC Dollar-for-Dollar in Action

Souper Bowl of Caring mobilizes youth to fight hunger and poverty in their communities around the time of the Super Bowl football game. Each year on Super Bowl Sunday, MDPC Youth takes up a collection asking for one dollar or one item of food for people in need. They give 100% of their donation directly to the local hunger-relief charity of their choice. Souper Bowl of Caring is a yearround ministry partner of MDPC. Your generosity helps make its existence possible!communicty. >

bosplace.org





Sunday, Februry 5, 2017



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The Temptation to Be Full Matthew 4:1-4

# Coming Up at MDPC

#### **Newspring Art Auction**

Define the Future fine art exhibition in The Square at Memorial City features artwork by Newspring alumni, professional artists, and SBISD teachers. Silent Auction: Saturday, February 11, 2:00-4:00 PM Details: newspringcenter.org

# **BSD Visitor Days**

Knowing God's Word and will are important for us in our daily living. Join us for a BSD Visitor Day to see how meaningful and rewarding Bible Study can be. You potentially could dive into our new unit on the Apostles' Creed the following week! Thursday, February 16, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, February 19, 9:45 or 11:15 AM, MC 102 Weds, February 22, 5:00 (122) or 6:30 PM (102)

#### A Very Special Dinner & A Marriage

Parents of children with special needs and foster/ adoptive parents: Sit alone with your spouse, enjoy a low-key dinner, and learn ways to stay connected in the midst of raising your very special family.

Saturday, February 18, 5:30-7:30 PM Register by February 7: special.mdpc.org \$15/couple (includes dinner and childcare)

Volunteers are needed for this event. More volunteers mean more families can be served! Contact Keri Mosk to learn more about this volunteer opportunity: kmosk@mdpc.org, 713-490-9265

### Save the Date! Mo-Ranch Registration

Registration opens in three weeks for this year's allchurch Memorial Day weekend retreat... Register starting 8:00 AM, Saturday, February 25

Details and (eventually) registration: mo.mdpc.org

## **Support Souper Bowl of Caring**

This morning Youth will take up a special collection for Souper Bowl of Caring, which mobilizes young people and unites communities for hunger relief. Today in all Services souperbowl.org

#### **Blood Drive at MDPC**

Pre-registering helps Blood Center staff provide enough technicians so you won't have a long wait. Walk-ins on the day of the drive are welcome! Sunday, February 19, 8:00 AM-2:00 PM Pre-register with Katie: knippress@giveblood.org

#### **Spring Break Service Day**

Come with us as we serve with Galveston Urban Ministries! GUM is a Christian community development ministry that God is using in a mighty way to love, empower, and transform the neighborhood and families living on the island. Volunteers will serve in opportunities such as children's programs, painting, gardening, and more, and we need you! Saturday, March 11, 9:00 AM-12:30 PM We will meet at MDPC at 7:45 to carpool down. Register by March 1: springbreak.mdpc.org

#### Peru Vision Trip: April 1-April 9, 2017

Join The Antioch Partners to encourage a missionary partner ministering to people with disabilities and their families in Lima (no specific ministry experience required). We also will hike Machu Picchu, one of the 7 wonders of the world,.

Estimated cost: \$2,750 (includes all expenses, plus two wheelchairs for mission partner Free Wheelchair Mission) For more information, contact Hope Whitney: admin@theantiochpartners.org, 713-490-9571

# MDPC MORNING WORSHIP

\*Please stand if able. CCLI # 182374

## 8:30 AM SERVICE

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

WELCOME Brett Hurst

\*SONGS OF PRAISE

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

SONG OF PREPARATION

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

MESSAGE The Temptation to Be Full Alf Halvorson

Matthew 4:1-4

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

# 9:45 AM SERVICE

#### WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

- \*WORSHIP MUSIC
- \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

SCOUT SUNDAY

Scoutmaster: Dr. Don Leever (24 years)

Eagle Scout Honor Roll: Alec Abrams, Ethan Bains, Carson Barker, Harris Cooley, Andrew Dawson, Varun Dixit, Matthew Garvin, Zachary Harkins, Alec Norman, Abhiraj Sinha, Turner Snelling, Caleb Touchstone, Thomas Vassar

Lifesaving Honor Medal: Nick Latiolais

 $\label{eq:Alf-Halvorson} Alf \, \text{Halvorson}$  God & Church Awardees: Bobby Herrera, Blaze

Hoskins, Jackson McCown, Kyle Moore, Ethan Schmidt, Baker Wardell God & Life Awardees: Keagan Firenza, Michael Goolsby,

Bryce Keith, Alex Lamprecht, David Mavergeorge Four Star Recipient: Michael Goolsby

PRAY Program Leader: John Beall

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

MESSAGE The Temptation to Be Full

The Temptation to Be Full
Matthew 4:1-4

Rachel Poysky

Alf Halvorson

#324; Vs. 1, 3 | Open My Eyes

Kaitlyn Wilson

Full Alf Halvorson

#### RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

 $Musicians\ in\ these\ services: Joe\ Gavito,\ guitar;\ Meliza\ G\'omez,\ worship\ leader;\ Craig\ Gysler,\ keys;\ Michael\ Middleton,\ worship\ leader;\ Asher\ Pudlo,\ drums;\ Dennis\ Whittaker,\ bass$ 

# 11:15 AM SERVICE

 PRELUDE
 Loving Spirit
 Emma Lou Diemer

 WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP
 Rachel Poysky

CHORAL INTROIT God Is Light K. Lee Scott (b.1950)

\*HYMN OF PRAISE Great Is Thy Faithfulness #276; Vs. 1, 2, 3 | FAITHFULNESS

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

MESSAGE

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from The Apostle's Creed

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE The Gloria Patri Hymn #579

ANTHEM Ascribe to the Lord Rosephanye Powell (b.1962)

OFFERTORY Once to Every Man and Nation David Stanley York (1877-1945)

HYMN OF PREPARATION O God, Our Help in Ages Past #210; Vs. 1, 4 | St. Anne

Matthew 4:1-4

The Temptation to Be Full

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE Open My Eyes That I May See

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Sortie from Messe Basse Louis Vierne

 $Musicians\ in\ this\ service: Emily\ Borling,\ guest\ organist/pianist;\ Charles\ Hausmann,\ conductor$ 

## MORE ON MDPC SUNDAY MORNINGS

**11:00 AM FIFTH SERVICE:** Join folks in the Amphitheater for energetic worship, dynamic teaching from a diverse line-up of guest speakers, and casual community. Visit fifthservice.mdpc.org for more.

11:15 AM SPANISH SERVICE: MDPC's Fuente Hispanic Ministries worships in the Chapel. For more information on Spanish and bilingual community events and programs, visit fuente.mdpc.org.

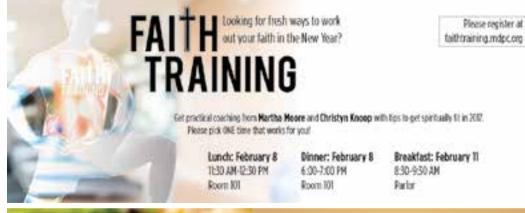
# **NEXT SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

1:00-5:00 PM | Spring Valley Village Park (1025 Campbell, 77055)

- An alcohol-free, family event, open to the community
- Free tastings and live entertainment
- Activities for kids throughout the park
- All teams & groups are welcome to compete
- With a new Cook-off Category: Dessert!

CBGR.MDPC.ORG - \$35 PER TEAM







## Next Sunday, February 12 11:00 AM-1:00 PM • Fellowship Hall

#### **Entrée Choice \$10**

Cajun Shrimp & Sausage Pasta or Blackened Chicken Served with Yellow Rice or Mac & Cheese, and Veggie Medley or Creamed Spinach

#### **Child Portion \$4**

Entrée Salad \$8.50 Asian Chicken

Meals include coffee, tea, milk, lemonade, and dessert!

# Kids' Meals







This is the first of four in a series looking at the Temptations of Jesus at the beginning of His ministry, after He has received the gift of the Holy Spirit in His baptism. He will encounter the same temptations in a new form at the end of His life in the Garden

of Gethsemane and on the Cross. Hebrews 4:15 says, "We do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses; but one who has been tested in all respects like we are, yet without sin." Jesus can help us when we are tempted, because He has been where we are!

- 1. Read Matthew 4:1-11. Focus on verses 1-4. From verse 1, who led Jesus into the wilderness? What was He led there for? Who was He to be tempted by in the wilderness? Does any of that information bother you, confuse you, or surprise you?
- 2. *Tempt* here in Greek is the word "peiraizo," which is more than just the English "to entice to do wrong, or to seduce to sin." *Peiraizo* means "a test of loyalty," like when Abraham offered Isaac to God; like metal tested far beyond any stress it will be called upon to bear, before it can be put to any useful purpose. It is the test that comes to a man or woman whom God wishes to use. Who else in Scripture was tested in that way? Have you ever been tested similarly?
- 3. In verse 2, how does Matthew say that Jesus prepared for this set of temptations? Have you ever fasted? Share your experiences.
- 4. In verse 3, how would you summarize Jesus' first test? Why do you think I called it, "the temptation to be full"?
- 5. How does Jesus counter the devil in verse 4? What does Jesus quote? What do you think Jesus means here?
- 6. React to this quote: "If you and I are filled with the wrong things, we will remain empty."
- 7. Where do you see yourself in this saying: "If I am filled with the Word of God, I will be empty of self and fulfilled; and if I am filled with the world, I will be indeed empty of the Spirit."
- 8. Where are you too focused on or too full of the wrong thing(s)? Where or how might you fill up on more of the right things? Do you have something in mind for Lent (which begins on March 1)? Perhaps our Lenten Small Group Series might be just what the doctor ordered...