

Happy New Year!

Sunday, January 1, 2017



The Unexpected

An Unexpected Threat

Matthew 2:13-23

MDPC BLENDED 9:45 AM WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

Dave Steane

*SONGS OF PRAISE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Blessed Be Your Name

arr. Hall
arr. Redman

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

SONGS OF RESPONSE

God With Us

arr. Leslie Jordan

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

What Child Is This?

arr. Gómez

MESSAGE

An Unexpected Threat (Matthew 2:13-23)

Dan Aikins

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Go, Tell It on the Mountain

arr. John W. Work

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Musicians in this Service:

Meliza Gómez, worship leader • Craig Gysler, keys • Tim Hughes, violin
Michael Middleton, worship leader • Asher Pudlo, drums • Dennis Whittaker, bass

*Please stand if able.

CCLI # 182374

Important Note About 2016 Year-end Giving

IRS guidelines do not allow us to process checks received today (in 2017) as 2016 contributions. Therefore checks placed in the offering plate or turned in at the Front Desk today will not be reflected on 2016 giving statements, regardless of the date on the check. This week's Financial Update will be shown this morning on the screens.

Today's White Rose is in memory of

- Jerry Walston, who passed away December 21, 2016.
- Ron Harlan, who passed away December 22, 2016.

MDPC Ministry Partners 2017

Please pray for these MDPC local and global partners. Each Sunday throughout the year, a new set of three partners will be featured in the bulletin:

A 2nd Cup is a community coffee shop raising awareness, holding strategic meetings with other anti-trafficking groups, and providing aftercare resources for survivors of human trafficking.

a2ndcup.com

Agape Development Ministries prepares young adults age 18 to 30 for success in life, working to stop the cycle of poverty from continuing to the next generation. Mentors, job training, and transitional housing equip clients to attain financial health and the life skills necessary for success. Agape is bringing positive change and Christian love to the entire community.

agapedevelopment.org

MDPC Field Partners Reverend Andrew and Teri Adair launched The Antioch Partners (TAP), a missionary-sending agency, in 2007 to train and equip Presbyterian cross-cultural servants, and send them into the world to demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ in tangible ways. TAP's goals are to see people become followers of Jesus and to foster the formation of worshipping communities among the unreached.

theantiochpartners.org

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Start the New Year off with a Bible Study!
Wednesday Evenings, January 4-February 1
6:30 PM | Amphitheater

How Then Shall We Live? A Verse-by-verse Study of the Epistle of James

The New Testament epistle of James is one of the most relevant and timely books in the Bible, full of practical guidance for how Christians are called to live out their faith. It's not an easy book, though! It steps on our toes and pokes us in the side, challenging us to let the presence of Jesus Christ transform us into a new humanity. Join Executive Pastor Dave Steane for this five-week study, full of insights into biblical language, customs, and cultures. Contact Vicki Levins with questions (vlevins@mdpc.org).

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM 2017

Sundays, January 8-March 5

11:00 AM-12:15 PM | \$140 (mandatory retreat fee)

Open to spiritually prepared 8th-12th grade students
confirmation.mdpc.org

Married & Life Prep

Getting ready for a lifetime commitment...

A fun, four-week course for engaged and newly-married couples.

Sundays, January 8-29

10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Visit mlp.mdpc.org to register!



Parent Palooza

Wednesday Evenings,
January 11 and 18

Free Parenting Seminar!

Location: MDPC Fellowship Hall

Registration: palooza.mdpc.org



FAMILY MISSION DAY 2017 HOUSTON

Family Mission Day 2017

On the MLK Day holiday, we'll take busses out into the Houston community and serve the city together!

Monday, January 16
9:00 AM-4:00 PM

\$10 per person includes lunch
Register today!
register.mdpc.org



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