

Sunday, December 30, 2018



What Happens Next with Jesus

Luke 2:21-40 | Pastor Alf Halvorson Preaching

* Please stand if able.

8:30 AM BLENDED

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WELCOME		Beth Case
*SONGS OF PRAISE		
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON		Dan Aikins
SONG OF PREPARATION		
GIFTS OF GRATITUDE		Dave Steane
MESSAGE	What Happens Next with Jesus Luke 2:21-40 (NRSV)	Alf Halvorson

9:45 AM CONTEMPORARY

WORSHIP INVITATION		
SONG OF PRAISE		
TIME OF CONFESSION		Dan Aikins
SONGS		
MESSAGE	What Happens Next with Jesus Luke 2:21-40 (NRSV)	Alf Halvorson
GIFTS OF GRATITUDE		

Musicians in these services: Nico Aranda & Meliza Gómez, worship leaders; Daniel Amaya, bass; Asher Pudlo, drums; Christina Tsauchner, cello

11:15 AM TRADITIONAL

PRELUDE	<i>When Love Was Born</i>	Mark Schultz
WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP		Beth Case
*HYMN OF PRAISE	<i>What Child Is This</i>	#53; Vs. 1, 2, 3 Greensleeves
*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE		
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	from Romans 8	
CAROL SING		Charles Hausmann
OFFERTORY	<i>Lit'l Boy (Christ in the Temple)</i>	arr. Roland Hayes
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*HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>	#41; Vs. 2 Adestes Fideles
POSTLUDE	<i>What Child Is This</i>	arr. Robert Graham

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

B90 IS AN ENGAGING 90-DAY BIBLE READING EXPERIENCE

Sunday Mornings
11:15 AM

B90.MDPC.ORG
Classes begin Sunday, January 6

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READ THE BIBLE



ECO All-City
Worship & Prayer
 Sunday, Jan. 6 • 5:00-6:30 PM
allcityworship.mdpc.org

ECO All City Worship & Prayer

We will join with our sister ECO Congregations, First Presbyterian and Grace Presbyterian, for an evening of worship and prayer for our congregations and our city as we begin the New Year. Join us for this night of contemporary worship and praise.

Next Sunday, January 6 | 5:00-6:30 PM | Sanctuary

Second-Sunday Suppers

All-Church Lunch moves to second Sundays! The first menu of the year offers Pork Ribeye or Cod with sides.

Sunday, January 13 | 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Menu and more: food.mdpc.org

Outreach Ministries Committee Volunteers

We're seeking 18 volunteers to join the five subcommittees. When you serve on one of these local or global teams, you have the privilege of seeing God at work through the work of our ministry partners. Between February and September, you'll learn about, pray with, and participate in annual reviews of the ministry partners. Meet monthly to report on the reviews, make recommendations for funding support, and vote, and these are sent to Session for approval.

If you feel God calling you to serve in Outreach, contact Stan Simmons (cssimmons49@gmail.com) for details.

Partner In Prayer

How wonderful is it to know that, as a member of the MDPC family, your name's been lifted in prayer each day by your assigned Partner In Prayer? In 2019, covenant with Pastor Alf and other PIP volunteers to privately spend a few minutes each day bringing others before God.

Help meet Pastor Alf's goal of 1,000 pray-ers!

Learn more and sign up: pip.mdpc.org

The Red Rose is in honor of:

- Charles Stephen Brock, born December 18, 2018, to Kate and Michael Brock. Charlie is the grandson of Nancy Beasley.

This week, please pray for these MDPC ministry partners:

WorkFaith Connection: Helps people achieve economic self-sufficiency through job placement, job retention, and career advancement. It empowers clients to provide for themselves, stabilizing families and our community.

workfaithconnection.org

Yellowstone Academy: A Christian private school serving low-income families in Houston's Third Ward. Through education and intensive intervention, children living in poverty can transcend their circumstances to become responsible, productive adults.

yellowstoneacademy.org

Young Life of Greater Houston: A Christian support organization on high school and middle school campuses. It has expanded to include ministry to unwed mothers and urban youth.

younglife.org

B90: Read the Bible in 2019

Read 12 pages a day starting January 1, and meet once a week for support and encouragement. This could be the best new year's resolution you'll ever make.

Classes begin next Sunday, January 6

Details: b90.mdpc.org

Married Life Prep

Couples, join us for a four-week course taught by Brett and Kellie Hurst. It combines Biblical teaching with the best current marriage research. Open to engaged couples and those in their first 2-3 years of marriage.

Sundays, January 6-27 | 10:00 AM-Noon | CLC 171

Register: mlp.mdpc.org

Alpha Winter 2019

Alpha is a great place to invite people to explore faith and discuss the big questions of life. An 8-week series of interactive sessions that allows people to experience Jesus for themselves and make their own decisions about faith. Free dinner and free childcare.

Tuesdays, February 5-March 26 | 6:30-8:15 PM

Info and RSVP: alpha.mdpc.org

MDPC Engineering-YA Meet n' Greet

Young Adult Ministry invites all the engineers at MDPC to come out for an intergenerational meet 'n greet. There are so many of us with similar work interests and backgrounds - the idea is to make this large church feel a little smaller. Whether you're actively working in engineering (or a related field), or have it as a background field of work or study, come on out! The more the merrier.

Thursday, Jan. 17 | 5:30-7:00 PM | Seasons 52

RSVP or questions, email Christyn: cknoop@mdpc.org

The End of 2018 Is Almost Here!

For gifts of check or cash to be included in your 2018 giving statement they **must be received by MDPC or postmarked no later than December 31, 2018.**

After-hours Giving: The Prayer Chapel Dropbox will be open today until 7:00 PM, and on Monday, December 31, 2018, from 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM.

Gifts from IRAs or Donor Advised Funds **must be dated before the end of the year.**

Remember, convenient online giving is available:

give.mdpc.org

Contact Ava Caliendo with questions during normal business hours: acaliendo@mdpc.org, 713-953-2574

WEEKLY FINANCIAL UPDATE

2018 Operating Budget	\$11,600,000
Actual Income to Date (12/28/18)	\$11,059,959
Needed to Meet 2018 Budget	\$540,041

