

# THE MEDIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Reverend William L. Borrer, Senior Pastor

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2012**  
**3RD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**  
**11:00 A.M.**

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE**

*“Prelude”*

Theodore Dubois

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Sign-In: Please take a moment to sign the pad found in your pew to let us know that you have worshipped with us today, then pass it to the next person. When all have signed, pass it back to the end, noting the names of those in your row so you can greet them after the service, and pray for them during the prayers of the people.)*

**INTROIT**

*“O Lord, My Heart is Not Proud”*

Margaret Rizza

## CALL TO WORSHIP *(read responsively)*

Leader: Let us enter into his gates with thanksgiving,

**People: Let us enter into his courts with praise.**

Leader: Let us worship the Lord who has conquered death.

**People: Let us worship the giver of new life,**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Triune God.

**\*HYMN 478** (Blue Hymnal)

*“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”*

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(Unison)*

**Holy God, You call us to repentance. We confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. Forgive us when we fail to love You and our neighbors. Open our hearts so that we might be transformed into the image of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Remove any barriers that keep us from You. In the name of Jesus we pray.** *(Take a few moments for silent confession.)*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI** *(All)*

*Glory be to the Father, And to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.*

**\*COLLECT OF THE DAY** *(Unison)*

**Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*\*All who can do so comfortably are invited to stand.*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** (Page 458)

Psalm 62:5-12

Leader: Here ends the reading of the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER-LORD'S PRAYER** (*See Insert*)

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*"O Saviour of the World"*  
Sanctuary Choir

John Goss

\*Doxology *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Prayer of Dedication

\***HYMN 76** (Blue Hymnal)

*"My Song is Love Unknown"*

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** (Page 986)

I Peter 4:12-20

**SERMON**

*"Sharing in the Sufferings of Christ"*

Rev. Bill Borrer

\***DECLARATION OF FAITH**

**THE NICENE CREED** - Traditional

**We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

\***HYMN 82** (Blue Hymnal)

*"O Lamb of God Most Holy!"*

\***BENEDICTION**

\***POSTLUDE**

*"Concerto Allegro"*

Johann Gottfried Walther

*Our choir director is Lisa VanHeldorf of Ambler, PA.*

*Our guest organist today is Tedd Didden.*

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The worship leader for this service is Deacon Kate Meehan.

The chancel flowers are given in memory of Tom McThenia by Dottie and family.

Tony LaRosa has dedicated the floral arrangement to his MPC family "in thanksgiving for praying him home from his medical problem in Germany."

**Visitors** If you have questions, please direct them to one of our ushers or any of our Elders or Deacons (those wearing name tags). Please take time to fill out a visitor information card found in the pew back in front of you.

**Restrooms** For your convenience a restroom is located in the parlor in the back of the sanctuary. Handicap accessible restrooms are located through either one of the side doors at the front of the sanctuary, then around the corner.

**Prayer Chain** If you have prayer needs, call Gladys Hughes at 610.566.2920, or e-mail Cathy Brod in the church office at [cathy@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:cathy@mediapresbyterian.org). If you are interested in receiving the prayer chain to pray for people, please e-mail Cathy Brod.

Prayer cards at the rear of the sanctuary may be completed for inclusion by the pastor in the Pastoral Prayer. You can also fill out a card with your prayer requests and drop it in the offering plate. Members of the congregation will pray for you during each service. Anonymous requests welcomed.

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**FOOD CUPBOARD NEEDS**

Food items currently in need are pancake mix, maple syrup, pudding, jelly, tea, hot chocolate, and pasta sauce.

**ATTENTION NURSING MOMS:** The parlor at the back of the church is available for privacy during all three services.

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**On Sunday, January 29, there is one worship service at 10 a.m. Following the service, and after a short break, we will have our annual meeting in the sanctuary. Please plan on attending in order to learn of our year in review and what is upcoming in 2012!**

**CHURCH COMMUNITY**  
Financial update for January 2012 and year-to-date totals:

	As of <u>1-18-12</u>	Year to <u>Date</u>	Funds <u>Needed YTD</u>	2012 <u>Budget</u>
Receipts:	45,499	45,499	60,808	1,054,000
Expenditures:	<u>47,715</u>	<u>47,715</u>	<u>60,808</u>	<u>1,054,000</u>
Receipts minus Expenses:	<b>\$(2,216)</b>	<b>\$(2,216)</b>	<b>\$(0)</b>	-

**Stewardship Campaign Pledge Update: 193 Pledges \$646,921 81% of Goal**  
**If you have not filled out your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible.**  
**Thank You!**

## Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?

Our MPC Progressive Dinner will take place on Saturday, January 28, 2012. This year, we're adding the element of surprise, and not only with regard to the meal being served. The twist? Neither the hosts nor the guests will know who they are dining with until that evening! Here's how it works:

1. Those willing to be hosts should sign up in the kitchen, indicating what number of guests they can comfortably have at their table, and whether they want to provide the entire meal (main course, sides, dessert), or whether they want to ask guests to bring something.
2. Those desiring to be a guest should also sign up in the kitchen, indicating whether they can provide an appetizer for the church gathering before dinner, and whether they will need childcare or transportation.
3. The Progressive Dinner coordinator will put together dinner groups for each home, assigning side dishes as appropriate.
4. Everyone will meet at the church for appetizers and receive envelopes with the address of the home they will be visiting.

Questions? Email Kim Shimer at [kimandrob@verizon.net](mailto:kimandrob@verizon.net). Hope you can join us!

## Women's Book Club

The Women's Book Club will meet on **Monday, January 23, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 103** to discuss **Cutting for Stone** by Abraham Verghese.

Sister Mary Joseph Praise, a devout young nun, departs in 1947 for a missionary post in Yemen. She saves the life of Thomas Stone, an English doctor, and key player in her destiny when they meet up again at Missing Hospital in Addis Ababa. Seven years later, Sister Praise dies giving birth to twin boys: Shiva and Marion. Marion narrates their dramatic biblical story set against the backdrop of political turmoil in Ethiopia, the life in the hospital compound in which they grow up, and the love story of their adopted parents. The boys become doctors and the practice of medicine is woven into Verghese's fascinating narrative.



## FREE SWING DANCE LESSONS AND DANCE!

Mark your calendars for February 11, when our own John Chaffee will offer free swing dance lessons at 7 p.m. in Dale Hall! Following the lessons at 7:30 p.m., the swing dance will continue until 9 p.m.! Come enjoy some fun, festive fellowship! *Everyone is invited.* Bring your friends, children, teenagers, and let's party!!! *Prior dance experience and rhythm not required! Dress comfortably.* Contact John Chaffee (x13) or Rev. Nikki Passante (x16) for more information!



# Missions/Local Ministry Team

**THE LOCAL MINISTRY TEAM AT MPC** is partnering with several local organizations as we rededicate ourselves to mission and ministry in our local community. Here's how you can help:

1. **The Sunday Breakfast Mission:** On Thursday, February 2 at 6:00 p.m., we will be serving dinner at the Sunday Breakfast Mission in Philadelphia. Their address is 302 N. 13th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107. There is a small parking lot in the back of the mission, off of Pearl Street. You can enter on Pearl Street, or walk around to the main entrance on 13th Street. The Sunday Breakfast Mission is a program that serves the homeless, addicted, and impoverished through Christ-centered programs to meet their spiritual, social, and physical needs. Their primary goal is to restore people to right relationships with God, their families, and society. For more information, visit their website at [sundaybreakfastmission.org](http://sundaybreakfastmission.org). This is our first visit to the mission in an attempt to establish a regular and ongoing partnership. If you are interested in joining in this endeavor, or you have questions, please contact Theresa Belville at [littleturtlemama@gmail.com](mailto:littleturtlemama@gmail.com).
2. **Unity Center:** Do you enjoy spending time with children? We are looking for servants willing to tutor students from the Chester-Upland School district. The only skill that is required is your ability to be present. If you feel led to engage in this ministry, please fill out the tear-out sheet in the bulletin, or contact Rev. Passante at [nikki@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:nikki@mediapresbyterian.org). The tutoring program runs Monday through Thursday, from 3:30 - 6:00 p.m., at the Student Center in the Unity Center at 733 W. 9th Street in Chester.

*Do you feel led to get involved? Do you have a gift? Tell us what your talent is, and we'll figure out how to use it. We have the wonderful problem of having people who want to help, but not having enough opportunities!*

*In response, we are currently putting together a database of people's gifts and talents so that we can match people's gifts and talents with the needs that have been identified by the Local Ministry Team. Do you like to organize?*

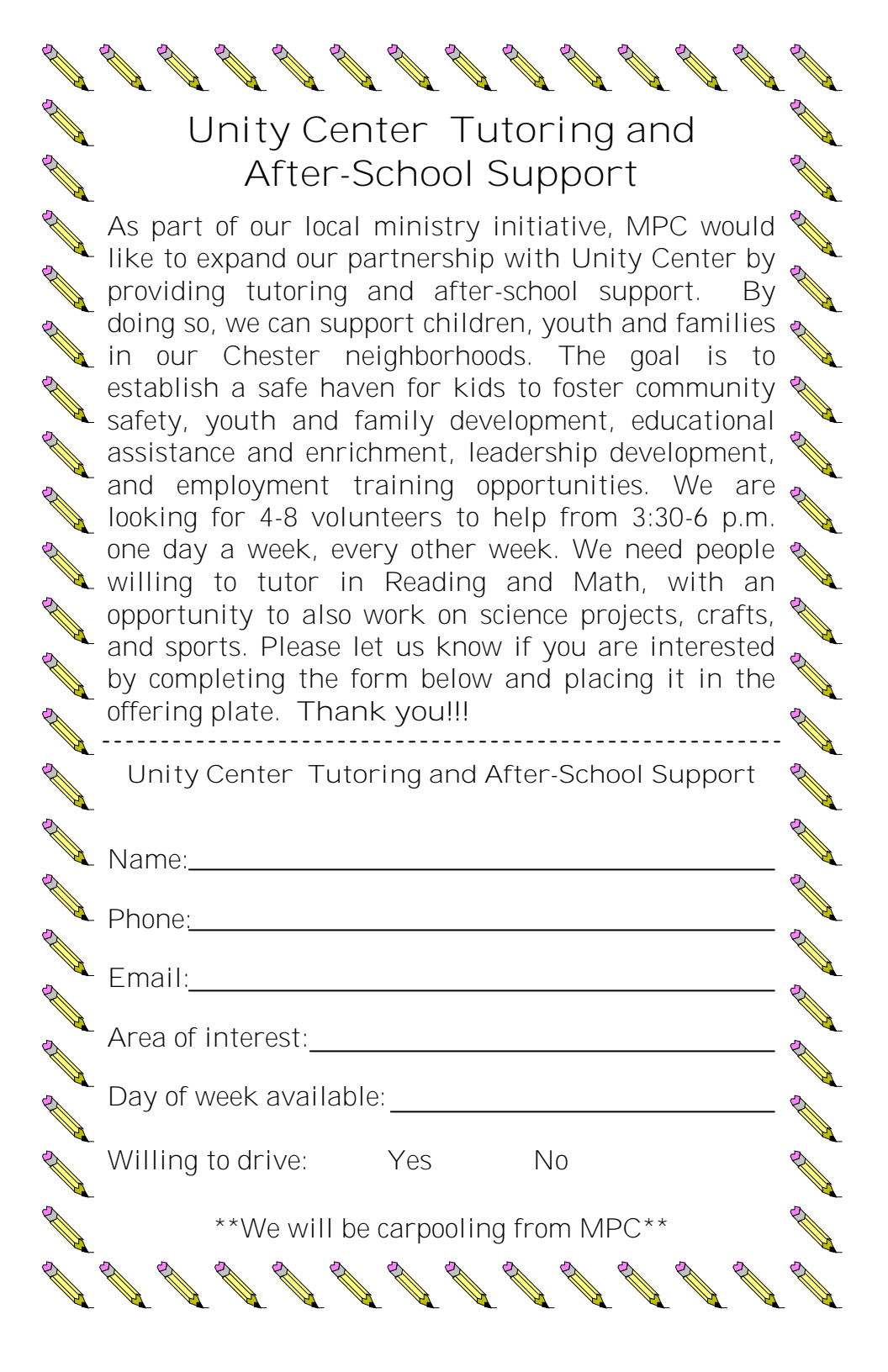
*We can use you! Do you like to cook or clean? We can use you! Do you like to garden, or are you able to provide transportation?*

*We can use you, too! However you feel led to get involved, let us know.*

*E-mail your name, the best way to contact you, as well as any gifts you would like to contribute, to Nina Davidson at [ninajdavidson@gmail.com](mailto:ninajdavidson@gmail.com).*

Please be sure to check our website under the 'Missions' link, and click on 'Ways to Serve' for updated information.

***Thank-you servants of MPC! Seven volunteers went to tutor in the after-school program at the Unity Center last Tuesday night, and three of our business owners/professionals are providing internships for Seniors in the Chester-Upland School District. Praise be to God for changing the lives these of students, and frankly, for changing our lives!***



# Unity Center Tutoring and After-School Support

As part of our local ministry initiative, MPC would like to expand our partnership with Unity Center by providing tutoring and after-school support. By doing so, we can support children, youth and families in our Chester neighborhoods. The goal is to establish a safe haven for kids to foster community safety, youth and family development, educational assistance and enrichment, leadership development, and employment training opportunities. We are looking for 4-8 volunteers to help from 3:30-6 p.m. one day a week, every other week. We need people willing to tutor in Reading and Math, with an opportunity to also work on science projects, crafts, and sports. Please let us know if you are interested by completing the form below and placing it in the offering plate. Thank you!!!

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## Unity Center Tutoring and After-School Support

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Area of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Day of week available: \_\_\_\_\_

Willing to drive:            Yes            No

\*\*We will be carpooling from MPC\*\*

# Missions:

**GETWORKS:** Join GetWorks on Tuesday, February 7 when Beth Wilson will be speaking on Skills Assessment.

GetWorks is a program of Media Presbyterian Church (MPC) that provides information, guidance and emotional support to job seekers and those who want to change careers, without regard to religious affiliation. GetWorks meets at the Media Presbyterian Church, Hassler Chapel, on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Topic:** Skills Assessment

**Next Meeting Date & Time:** Tuesday, February 7 from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**Location:** St. Mary Magdalen, 2400 N. Providence Road, Media.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR MISSIONS, PLEASE CONTACT SANDY ALEK AT 610.566.3944, EXT. 17 OR SANDY@MEDIAPRESBYTERIAN.ORG.**

# Young Adults:

**THE NEXT YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY**, for people in their twenties and thirties, will be held January 26. They meet in the Youth Room every other Thursday at 8 p.m. and study the Gospel of John.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE DIRECTOR OF YOUTH, JOHN CHAFFEE, AT 610-566-3944, EXT. 13 OR JCHAFFEE@MEDIAPRESBYTERIAN.ORG.**

# Congregational Care:

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** will meet on Tuesday, **February 21** at 10:00 a.m. in Room 103. Completed shawls can be dropped off at the office. Questions? Contact Peg Harris at (610)566-4501.

# Children's Ministry:

Kids Zone Mission: To transform the lives of children by fostering a dynamic personal relationship with Jesus Christ through the understanding of God's Holy Scripture so that they may go on to change the world.

**KIDS ZONE SUNDAY SCHOOL** - 9:30 a.m., for children in Pre-K - 5th grade.

**BLOC** - an extended Sunday school class for kids in Pre-K - 2nd grade, meets at 11:00 a.m.

**THE KIDS OF THE KINGDOM CHOIR** invites first through fifth graders to join them in The Post each Sunday for singing and fellowship from 10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Contact Janis Richards with questions at [Janis\\_richards@yahoo.com](mailto:Janis_richards@yahoo.com).

**KIDS CLUB** - meets every Wednesday night in the Post from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. (Pre-K-5th grade).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES, ERIN SCHMITT, AT 610-566-3944, EXT. 12 OR ERIN@MEDIAPRESBYTERIAN.ORG.**

# Youth Ministry:

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** will meet today from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** will meet today from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

**WEDNESDAY DINNER** - On Wednesdays, meet us at 5 p.m. in the Youth Room, when we will go out for dinner and return by 7 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY YOUTH BIBLE STUDY** at 7 p.m. - Welcome to all youth! We are going through the book of Acts (Luke part 2).

**YOUTH COFFEEHOUSE** - On Thursdays from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m., the Youth Room will be open for anyone who wants to stop in. If you are tired of doing your homework at home, come sit on our couches and do your homework at the church! Use our wi-fi, the big screen tv for a study break, challenge someone in ping-pong, and use our new cappuccino machine for some tasty treats!

**OPPORTUNITIES** - This coming year, I would like to give members of the church an opportunity to help out or to speak with the youth from time to time. Talk to John about opportunities to be a part of what God is already doing!

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT THE DIRECTOR OF YOUTH, JOHN CHAFFEE, AT 610-566-3944, EXT. 13 OR JCHAFFEE@MEDIAPRESBYTERIAN.ORG.**

# For Your Information...

**CHURCH BUS DRIVERS NEEDED FOR SUNDAYS!** We are in need of church bus drivers on Sunday mornings at the 11 a.m. service to provide transportation to those who cannot attend church on their own. If you are interested in serving in this capacity (possibly just six times a year), please contact Cathy Brod at 610.566.3944, ext. 22 or [cathy@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:cathy@mediapresbyterian.org). Please consider volunteering!

**WE HAVE "RECIPES FROM THE HEART" COOKBOOKS** available! You can purchase one for \$5, or 3 for \$10. If you are interested in buying a cookbook, you can drop by the church office, during office hours, or on Sundays in Hassler Chapel.



## Media Presbyterian Church New Members' Class

**Our next New Members' Class begins Sunday, March 4 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 102, and runs for five weeks. If you are interested in participating, please fill out the following information and place this sheet in the offering plate.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

For further information on the New Members' Class, please contact Rev. Nikki Passante at 610-566-3944 x16 or [nikki@mediapresbyterian.org](mailto:nikki@mediapresbyterian.org).



# - Adult Education - Winter 2012:

## SUNDAYS

### **INTERGENERATIONAL BIBLE STUDY**

**11:00 A.M. (7 WEEKS), ROOM 102**

Rev. Craig Bean.

*Youth are encouraged to attend!*

### **LENTEN DEVOTIONAL STUDY**

**BEGINNING FEBRUARY 26TH AT 11:00 A.M. (5 WEEKS), ROOM 102**

We are continuing our journey of prayer that began in the fall as we prayerfully discerned the Kingdom of God. Our Spiritual Formation Team is continuing this fruitful practice by offering an hour for devotional study during the season of Lent. Prayer and devotional booklets are being compiled by the staff and officers of our church to be used as a spiritual formation tool, and also for discussion during our time together Sunday morning.

### **NEW MEMBERS' CLASS**

**BEGINNING MARCH 4 AT 9:30 A.M. (5 WEEKS), ROOM 102**

Rev. Nikki Passante

Please see tear-out sheet in bulletin.

## MONDAYS

**"CRAIG AT THE COURT" - 7:00 A.M. AT THE COURT DINER**

Q & A with Rev. Craig Bean

## TUESDAYS

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 6:30 A.M., HASSLER CHAPEL**

Rev. Bill Borrer

**LUNCHTIME BIBLE STUDY - 12:00 P.M., ROOM 102**

Rev. Craig Bean

We are studying the Book of James.





# - Adult Education - Winter 2012:

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING

### **“OUR WORLD, GOD’S WORLD” – A MISSION SERIES**

**7:00 P.M. (5 WEEKS), ROOM 102**

1/25: “Human Trafficking in India and the Christian Response”

with Dr. Francesca Nuzzolese

Dr. Francesca Nuzzolese's professional experience includes extensive experience in chaplaincy and pastoral psychotherapy, theological education, mission work, and spiritual direction. Her work and ministry has taken place in a variety of cultural and denominational contexts, and over a few continents.

2/1: “A Panel Discussion from the Ghana Trip” with mission team members

2/8: “Mormonism: Christian, Cult, or Something Else?” with Carl Mosser

2/15: “Israel and Palestine”

### **“LECTIO DIVINA”**

**8:00 P.M., ROOM 103**

**BEGINNING FEBRUARY 29 AT 7:00 P.M. (5 WEEKS), ROOM 102**

**A LENTEN DEVOTIONAL SERIES: “THE HOLY SPIRIT”**

Rev. Nikki Passante

Book list and specific weekly topics to be announced.

## THURSDAYS

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY–BOOK OF REVELATION**

**10:00 A.M., ROOM 102**

Rev. Nikki Passante

*You are welcome to come at any time!*

Childcare is provided

January 26 - Chapter 13 • February 2 - Chapter 14



# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2012

## SUNDAY, January 22

**Worship: 8:15 a.m. (trad'l), 9:30 a.m. (communion), 11:00 a.m (trad'l)**

9:30 a.m. - Kids Zone, The Post

9:30 a.m. - Middle School Sunday School, Youth Room

9:30 a.m. - High School Sunday School, Room 101

10:45a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Kids of the Kingdom Choir, The Post

11:00 a.m. - Confirmation Class, Youth Room

11:00 a.m. - Intergenerational Bible Study, Room 102

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. - Middle School Youth Group

5:30 p.m. - High School Praise Team, Sanctuary

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Middle School Praise Team, Sanctuary

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - High School Youth Group

## MONDAY, January 23

7:00 a.m. - "Craig at the Court" Fellowship Breakfast at the Court Diner

6:15 - 7:15 p.m. p.m. - Yoga, Dale Hall

7:00 p.m. - GetWorks Steering Committee Meeting, Room 102

7:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Pilates, Dale Hall

7:30 p.m. - Women's Book Club, Room 103

## TUESDAY, January 24

6:30 a.m. - Men's Bible Study, Hassler Chapel

12:00 p.m. - Lunchtime Bible Study, Room 103

7:00 p.m. - Outreach and Evangelism Meeting, Room 103

7:30 p.m. - Circle 6, Cathie Hick's house

## WEDNESDAY, January 25

5:00 p.m. - Middle/High School - Wednesday dinner - meet in Youth Room

7:00 p.m. - Kids' Club

7:00 p.m. - Middle School/High School - Bible Study - Youth Room

7:00 p.m. - "Our World, God's World" - A Mission Series, Room 102

"Human Trafficking in India and the Christian Response"  
with Dr. Francesca Nuzzolese

8:00 p.m. - "Lectio Divina", Room 103

## THURSDAY, January 26

10:00 a.m. - Women's Bible Study, Room 102

3:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Youth Coffeehouse, Youth Room

6:30 p.m. - Contemporary Praise Team rehearsal - Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. - Choir rehearsal - Dale Hall & Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. - Administration Meeting, Bill Borrer's office

8:00 p.m. - YABS, Youth Room

# CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2012

## FRIDAY, January 27

Nothing on Schedule

## SATURDAY, January 28

5:00 - 8:45 p.m. - MPC Progressive Dinner, meet in Dale Hall

## SUNDAY, January 29

**Worship: 10:00 a.m. (Combined Service)**

**No Sunday School classes**

No Kids of the Kingdom Choir

No Confirmation Class

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. - Middle School Youth Group

5:30 p.m. - High School Praise Team, Sanctuary

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Middle School Praise Team, Sanctuary

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - High School Youth Group

## SERMON NOTES