

Little Bells...

... your weekly update to The Chimes

MPC's Coronavirus Response

<u>UPDATE:</u> Session met electronically and approved to continue our compliance with the guidelines of the State of Ohio and other governing bodies to remain closed for in-person Worship, meetings and other activities through June 30. After that date, Session will take action to either further extend the closure or establish a re-open date.

- While in-person Worship services are suspended, MPC will continue to record and post services on YouTube and the MPC Facebook page.
- The office remains open Tuesday-Thursday.

Pastor on Call Info for June

If you have a pastoral care emergency, please contact the church office or the Elder for June (Rick Parrish, 543-4995) or the Deacon for June (Sue Poulos, 376-1623), who can get you in touch with the Pastor on Call.

Ignite the Light Continues Through June 13 Bring a Friend/Neighbor!

MPC, in conjunction with other local Montgomery churches, will participate in **Ignite the Light**, a weeklong evening devotion to prayer for healing. We will be placing luminaries in front of the church each night to represent Christ's light and our prayers in the community. Prayer is a shared, powerful action and witness we can freely offer to our broader community. Jesus reminds us in the Gospel of Matthew, "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them" (Matthew 18:20), and John 8:12 reminds us that "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." Christ is the light in our darkness and calls the Church to share the light with all who are weary, hopeless, and burdened. Let us shine our light through both flame and prayer.

We ask those who are willing and able to participate to sign up to do a 15-30 min prayer walk outdoors at the church, with leaders present to help participants observe social distancing protocols. We'll provide a suggested prayer topic for each station of the walk, and will provide an opportunity to request prayers for specific concerns. The link to sign up is https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054CAAA828A6FB6-ignite Our hope is to fill all slots so that at all times MPC will be represented with walkers.

Feel free to bring a friend or neighbor!
Spots still open for Thursday thru Saturday — sign up!

We recognize that some members cannot or should not participate in an activity like this outside of their home. You can still sign up for a prayer time, and we'll provide you with the prayers being used by those on-site. All who want to participate should do so in a way that fits your circumstances. If you're praying from home, you can light a candle to be a "local luminary!"

Mission



Our mission collection for the month of June is for Our Daily Bread. ODB presently can not allow clients into their building due to health and safety precautions, but they are continuing to provide meals and drinks on a take out basis. MPC will support ODB by donating toward the cost of disposable containers, cups, utensils and paper products. The church will make a donation from the extra Mission funds that were allocated earlier this year. Individually, you may make donations to their website,

https://ourdailybread.us/ or by mail to:

Father's Day

On Father's Day the MPC Board of Deacons will once again honor the men in our lives by making a contribution to Talbert House's Fatherhood Project, a program that assists men in their efforts to become responsible, committed and nurturing fathers.





MPC Survey

Thank you to all who participated in the MPC survey regarding the response to the Coronavirus pandemic. We received many responses, all of which will be considered when Session next meets to discuss and plan toward eventual re-opening of the church. Thank you for sharing your thoughts and concerns and for making your voices be heard.

Donations Can Now Be Made Online

MPC is now offering an option for donations to be made electronically. You can donate from our website OR via an app on your Smartphone.

***From our website supporting MPC is as easy as 1-2-3! ***

- 1. Go to our website https://mpchurch.net/
- 2. Click on this button at the top of the webpage:



3. Set-up your giving account. To set-up your account, you will enter your name, address and provide your payment method. You can set-up giving on a one time basis or automatic weekly, monthly or quarterly giving. If you prefer, you can give as a guest without setting up an account.

***From the GivePlus Church app, giving through your smartphone is also as easy as 1-2-3! ***

- 1. Download the GivePlus Church app through the App Store or Google Play. The app is free.
- 2. Find MPC by scrolling, typing in the church name or using the app's *Find Churches Near Me* feature. (Make sure to allow access to location services if you want to use this feature.) Once you've donated to MPC, it will show up as your home church whenever you log into the app. You can give to another church by changing your church but remember to change it back to MPC!
- 3. Set-up your account and you can establish recurring donations. You can delete or change your recurring donations at any time on the app.

If you have any questions, please call Cathy in the office.