

Elder and Deacon for July

The Elder for July is Jim Ryan, 513-791-2499. The Deacon for July is Jennifer Mathis, 513-374-3238.

Welcome Back Rev. Daniel Watson

For this Sunday's Worship, we welcome back former MPC interim pastor, Rev. Daniel Watson, who will fill the pulpit while Rev. Ben is on vacation. (Rev. Ben will return Monday, August 9.)

Called Congregational Meeting August 22



Following Worship on **Sunday**, **August 22** there will be a called congregational meeting to vote on changing by-laws. Copies of proposed amendments were mailed/emailed last week, and copies are available to review in the Gathering Room.

Adult CE Series Update

- adult CHRISTIAN education
- The series *Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About SECTS*! will conclude this Sunday.
- On August 15 Rev. Ben will lead us in understanding the *Spiritual Discipline of Reading the Bible*.
- OnAugust 22 and 29 Susie Lewis will lead *From Saul to Paul What's in a Name*? The amazing conversion of Saul to Paul shows us Jesus's intent for our lives. What is the difference between being a believer and being a disciple?

Updated Member Directories Are Now Available



Updated member directories will be sent out electronically this week. Printed copies can be found in the Gathering Room for anyone who would like to take home a hard copy. If you would like a printed copy mailed to you, please contact Cathy at mpc.office@mpchurch.net.

Welcome All Singers

Rehearsals for the MPC choir begin **Wednesday**, **August 25** at 7:00 in the choir room. Anyone who loves to sing is invited to become a part of our music ministry. If you have any questions, please see Gay Piller.



Mission Collection for August

For August, we will collect underwear and socks for the teens at Lighthouse Youth Services. Donations may be left in the Gathering Room. Thank you.





Next Book Club Selection



The MPC Book Club will be reading *The Hope of Glory: Reflections on the Last Words* of Jesus from the Cross by Jon Meacham. Beginning with "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do" and ending with "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit," Meacham captures for the reader how these words epitomize Jesus's message of love,

not hate; grace, not rage; and, rather than vengeance, extraordinary mercy. We will be meeting online on **Monday, October 11**, at 7pm. If you would like to join in for the discussion, please contact Doug Rose so that he can include you in the Zoom link.



Half Year Donation Statements

Acknowledgement of donations for the first six months of 2021 were mailed the last week of July. Please contact the office if you have any questions or corrections upon receipt of your statement.

School Almost Back in Session for Skyward Academy

Skyward students and teachers will be returning in August. They will have a Parents Night Ice Cream social on **August 16**. Teachers will report back the week of **August 9**, and students will have their first day on **August 19**. (*Please note this means their weekday arrival and dismissal car traffic patterns will resume*.) If you see a teacher or student, please welcome them back.

