



Mount Pleasant
Presbyterian Church

Confirmation
Sunday: May 6

11:15 am Worship
Sanctuary

Sundays: LIVE Streaming
11:15 am Service



Rev. Dr. Danny Massie
Interim Pastor

Crayolas & Christian Service

There's hardly a child who didn't love to color when he or she was young. If you are reading this you are probably among them. I loved to color as well and one of the exciting things about the beginning of a school year is that you got a brand new carton of Crayola crayons. None had been used and none was broken. Do you remember when the 64 count carton came out? How exciting! Now they have colors numbering well over a hundred in just about any hue or shade you can imagine.

There are many shades and hues at Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church as well. I am not referring to skin color, though that would be delightful if we had more racial diversity among us, but we certainly have a church with a diversity of ages, passions, commitments, skills and interests. That makes for a healthy church in my opinion but it also requires mutual forbearance and respect for one another. How boring it would be if we all looked alike, believed alike, acted alike and thought alike. Diversity makes for richness and pushes us to stretch our own boundaries and test our ideas and opinions against those of others. Diversity enhances growth. Unity within diversity and not uniformity creates beautiful communities.

To be sure we all have our preferred colors and shades when we open the Crayola box. I imagine oranges and garnets are more popular in South Carolina at certain seasons of the year. But without the full range of colors our coloring capacities would be limited and unimaginative in time.

Do you realize how much our church needs each of us and all of us in spite of our individual and personal preferences and interests? Everyone may not be interested in mission trips abroad, Sunday School classes, Habitat for Humanity, Charleston Area Justice Ministry, Meals on Wheels, singing in the choir or teaching children or adults, etc. But praise the Lord that many are passionate about these diverse ministries and our church is the richer for it.

Another thing about Crayola colors: I receive a daily devotion from the American Bible Society and one devotion this week told of how as a child the writer would get upset if he broke a color in his coloring box. He would discard it and want a new box. Wisely his mother told him one day that broken crayons could still color and did not need to be discarded. Sometimes in life we get broken too and may assume wrongly that our productive years are behind us and our efforts in the church or community don't really matter. But broken colors and broken lives create incredible canvases and communities of faith.

So find your niche in this church's numerous diverse ministries, and let us celebrate how we can color the Old Village and the global village with lively and beautiful hues of Jesus Christ and his love.

Danny

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Adopt A Highway: May 5

We maintain 1.5 miles of Coleman Blvd with our community partner, Boy Scout Troop 20. Meet in front of the Fellowship Hall at 8 am. Contact Elton Carrier (elton_carrier@att.net or 442-1812).

May Offerings:

Mother's Day: May 13

Pentecost: May 20

Memorial Day: May 28

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**Saturday Of Service
(SOS)
Saturday, May 5
8:00 am — Noon**

May 5 Schedule:

8:00 – 8:30 am: Check-in and breakfast
Fellowship Hall
8:30 – 9:00 am: Opening prayer and
travel to service sites
9:00 – Noon: Work on service projects
Sign up: mppc.net > calendar
Childcare will be available.

For information, contact Joe Molinari
(molemail01@aol.com), 843-817-2072

Local Missions Ministry sponsors the twice yearly "Saturday Of Service." This is more than "just a church work day!" It is so much more. SOS provides an opportunity for us at MPPC to deepen our discipleship by serving Christ in service to others: in our congregation, our community, and, in the world. Last fall, we provided the equivalent of over thirty work days to Hope House (congregation), Habitat and Metanoia (community) and Oyster Bed Restoration (wider world). We also had the assistance of a college mission team from Appalachian State! This SOS we'll be on our own, so we need a good turnout. We'll have at least one project on campus, two or more in the community and will return to the oyster beds!



Vacation Bible School 2018
Register & Volunteer Today!
June 18-21 | 9:00 am – 12:30 pm
mppc.net > Calendar

If you have any questions, please contact Amy Thomas (athomas@mppc.net or 884-4612).

Member Care Report

BIRTHS

Caleb Lee Kerce, son of Courtney & Brett Kerce (DG #56); December 22, 2017.

Junia Rose Scalera, daughter of Carmen Goetchius & Clark Scalera, March 6. Correspondence:
259 South Sequoia Parkway No.80 Canby, OR 97013

Robert Hay Robinson "Hays," son of Caroline and Russell Robinson and grandson of Lisa & Marshall Hay (DG #42) and Ann Crowder (DG #76), March 13.

Owen Powers Evans "Owen," grandson of Evie & Jack Evans (DG #20); March 13.

*DG - Deacon Group

DEATHS

James Earl "Jimmy" West, brother of Jane West (DG #18), February 6.

Rachel McKenna (DG #24), MPPC Member, February 7.

Billie Sumner (DG #40), MPPC Member, February 10.

Anne Rumer (DG #51), MPPC Member and wife of Bill Rumer, February 23.

Eleanor Smith, mother of Nancy Lewis (DG #5), March 4.

Tricia Rabun (DG #50), MPPC Member, March 14.

*DG - Deacon Group

BAPTISMS

Susannah Heyward Collins, April 8

Anna Stewart Judy, April 8

Beau Mills Dolberg, April 15

Caleb Wilson & Gabriel Fleming Shaw, April 15

Allie Gray Dangerfield, April 29

WEDDINGS at MPPC

Dalton Riley & Kristin Britton, March 13

HOPE HOUSE

Gifts were presented to the Hope House by Mary Willa Smith, Jeff and Avis Griffith, Elizabeth Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Elliott.

In HONOR of

Miff and Karl Cone, given by Edward and Vickey Wile.

In MEMORY of

Betty Jean Flores, given by Michelle Malcolm

Bosie Carter, given by Ann M. Crowder

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Sunday Mornings

Fellowship Breakfast

9:00 – 11:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Regular Worship

8:15, 9:45 & 11:15 am, Sanctuary
11:15 am, Fellowship Hall (The Net)

Sunday School (Adults & Children)

9:45 – 10:45 am, Grace Hall
& Seabrook Buildings

SUMMER Worship & Sunday School

Schedule Begins May 27

9:30 & 11:00 am, Sanctuary
11:00 am, Fellowship Hall (The Net)

SUMMER Sunday School

Adults & Children
9:30 am, Grace Hall
& Seabrook Buildings

Childcare

Check-In Kiosk in Grace Hall Lobby
During every service, Seabrook
All childcare volunteers are background checked.

Wednesday Nights

September - May

Events, Registrations & Meetings

mppc.net > calendar



Change IS THE
ONLY CONSTANT IN LIFE.

— HERCALTUS



Rev. Kim Trimboli
Interim Associate Pastor

Kim's Korner

Heraclitus, a Greek philosopher, is quoted as saying “change is the only constant in life.” Right now in family life, students enter into the final semester of the school calendar, which brings both more busyness in the way of spring sports and end of year activities, as well as a winding down of the year’s activities and preparation for a shift in summer schedules. In church life, while the sometimes hectic pace of Lent and Easter is done, preparations are well underway for late spring and summer activities, changes in summer worship and programming schedules, and we are even looking ahead already to fall programming and activities.

MPPC has been going through numerous additional transitions, as you are well aware. As Interim Associate I am not simply a placeholder to maintain stability, rather I am also called to work with the congregation and staff to look at how the ministries of the church move forward from this point, and what the role of the future associates might be. Because of my experience as a professional Christian Educator, I am going to spend the next several months working with Chris and Amy on developing the next steps in the congregation’s educational ministries. As the Middle School director arrives, we will add him / her to the conversation with excitement! My primary focus is on adult education, yet I feel strongly about intergenerational, cross-generational, and family ministries, so my goal will be to work towards a sense of cohesiveness across the educational ministries of the church. Ideally this work will help to prepare the church and educational programs for the hiring of a Director of Christian Education in the near future.

I am enjoying working with you and am glad to be walking with you in this time of transition. If you have any particular interests as far as adult faith formation is concerned, I hope you’ll let me know! If you’d like to be a part of ongoing planning, I’m sure the Adult Faith Formation team would be excited to have you join in!

Peace,

Kim

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LIVE
STREAMING

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LIVE Streaming at MPPC:
click “**Watch Live**”
at mppc.net

You no longer have to miss worship on Sundays if you are unable to attend due to being sick, out of town, overseas, or homebound. Simply go online at mppc.net and click the “Watch Live” link on Sunday mornings to enjoy a live sermon, sing hymns, and stay connected with your church family.

Good Friday Ecumenical Prayer Walk March 30





Missions: Sonrisa Bonita

The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ. — 1 Corinthians 12:12

By Elise Blackburn

My mother doesn't speak any Spanish, nor does she have any medical training. But two years ago, she travelled with our church to Honduras on a medical mission trip and applied fluoride on the teeth of young children. The trip had such a significant impact on her that she felt a calling from God to take me along the next year.

While counseling at Camp St. Christopher that summer, the lessons we taught about the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12) reinforced what I had heard constantly in Sunday School. I had learned how to be a member of the Body of Christ from a mission trip abroad to LAMB, the children's home MPPC sponsors, and even through doing local mission work with the high school ministry.

In high school, I had taken a few Spanish classes, so on our MPPC medical mission trip to Honduras, I helped translate for Dr. Neill Herring, my own pediatrician and a member of our church. One day, while the dental clinic was crowded with children, I walked over to help. A young girl was in hysterics about having a tooth pulled. I drew upon memories of books that I had read when I was young and told her stories of lions and princesses. I reminded her to be brave like the heroes from the stories.

Inspired by these experiences, for my senior thesis, I decided to study the health inequalities in Honduras. I felt called to create change so that young people would not keep losing their teeth to decay — so every child could be proud of their smile.

From that, I had an idea for how our church could further its impact. I wrote and designed a children's coloring book called *Sonrisa Bonita*—Beautiful Smile—to teach oral care. The once rather boring topic suddenly came to life through the unique, native phrases and

illustrations of these niños hondureños. Still needing funds to print my coloring book and travel to these Honduran schools, I met with our church's International Missions Team and received a grant to fund 500 coloring books, toothbrushes, and crayons for elementary school students.

In the book, a girl, María, tackles her fear and learns how to take care of her teeth. Then she teaches her friends the same. The children I met were so excited to have a book that was their own! While teaching kids how to brush their teeth seems like such an arbitrary call from God, I ended up appreciating spending my senior year as a member of the Body of Christ.

Going on mission trips is a perfect way for you to be actively serve as a member of the Body of Christ! It is rewarding to see the joy in young children. Mission work quickly rekindles faith in the power God has with His people.

The week I spent in Honduras for my thesis project only allowed me to bring this information to a few small villages. Currently, I am expanding the content and book distribution so that more children can understand the importance of dental care and raise their own standards of living.

As global citizens and as members of the Body of Christ, we all have a duty to help others who may not have the same privileges and access.

We can all help better our world by heeding God's call in our own lives. God's call may take his disciples on an unexpected journey to a faraway place, but just as importantly, he calls on others to help those journeying disciples through prayers and earthly gifts. I am grateful to have been affected by both. Sometimes it can be hard to see the impact that we, the Body of Christ, leave. But, by being disciples of Christ, God uses us to create a future where all can have sonrisas bonitas!





Beth Moore
Director of Hope House

A Team of Angels

*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another;
as good stewards of God's varied grace. – Peter 4:10*

We often share stories about the guests who stay with us at Hope House...nearly 1,400 since the doors opened on February 15, 2010.

Supporting them is a team of volunteers offering hope, a helping hand, or a hug and a prayer to those who seek comfort inside this 100-year-old home-away-from-home.

These Caretakers are mothers, fathers, professionals, retirees, your neighbors, your friends, your fellow parishioners.

They volunteer two hours or more during a particular morning or late afternoon...checking in guests and making sure they have everything they need...or getting a room ready for a new guest. They also take time to listen to guests who need to unburden themselves.

For many, volunteering at Hope House is a way of giving back for kindnesses shown them or a family member in the past.



Gail Roach, who recently became a Caretaker, recalls her father's heart surgery in November of 2016.

"It was very stressful for my entire immediate family. The Presbyterian Hospital in Pittsburgh had rooms available nearby for families of patients in ICU. It was such a help to my family, not only emotionally (to share stories with others) but financially."



Sharon Warren, whose late husband George was the visionary behind Hope Cottage, sees her volunteering as "an opportunity to be of service to the people and their families as they are able to be near their loved ones. It is a gift received by both the Caretakers and by the family members when we are present. It is such a nice opportunity to get to know and work with our church members. I feel closer to George and our God when I am at Hope House."



Katie Richardson, yet another Caretaker, puts it this way: "Spending time at Hope House is a blessing and a gift! Stepping foot on the grounds you are immediately embraced by the work of a team of angels. From the beautifully kept grounds to the impeccably organized system, the homemade snacks awaiting a tired, stressed Guest, and the warmth and comfort from a home atmosphere in every nook and cranny, you are aware of the amazing interaction of an incredible team of volunteers. Add the gratitude of Guests fueled, blessed, and re-freshed by the work of these angels armed to face the challenges ahead, and you too are renewed."

If you feel inspired to join this team, please contact Beth Moore at bmoore@carolinaone.com



ADOPT-A-DAY @ HOPE HOUSE

MAY

- 10:** In Memory of Marie Mayfield, mother of Jean Barr, given by Paul and Elizabeth Grantham.
- 11:** In Memory of Liza Hollingsworth on her birthday, given by her parents and sisters.
- 15:** In Honor of our son, Dr. R. Scott Lake, on his birthday, given by Susanne and Dick Query.
- 15:** In Memory of Don Rice, given by Beth Moore.
- 16:** In Honor of Christine S. Osborne on her milestone birthday, given by Angi Case.
- 20:** In Memory of Billie Sumner, given by Paul and Elizabeth Grantham.
- 24:** In Honor of Billy and Carson Hyde for their tireless efforts volunteering at Hope House, given by the MPPC Hope House Ministry Team.
- 29:** In Memory of Don Rice, Jr., given by Charlie and Harriet Graham.

If you would like to help, please contact Beth Moore (843-532-4892, bmoore@carolinaone.com.) Support our mission by participating in "Adopt-A-Day." Honor a loved one through a gift, which will provide operating expenses for a day of your choice (\$50). Checks payable to: MPPC Hope House AAD (note day(s) adopted on memo line). Include honoree name and the address of the honoree/family of the individual being memorialized. Week or month options are available. Contact Elizabeth Grantham (345-0828, cainhoy@bellsouth.net) for more details.

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MPPC Search Committees

In an effort to keep everyone apprised of the current search teams, below is a list of each team, their leaders and members. There are currently five active search committees. If you have any questions, please reach out to the committee. We ask God's blessing over the work of these committees and offer thanksgiving for each member's commitment of their time and talent. We also ask that you lift up this process in prayer and pass along any names and contact information for qualified candidate(s) for these key staff roles.

Senior Pastor/Head of Staff (PNC)

Co-Chair: Wade Thompson (wade.thompson@comcast.net),
Co-Chair: Jack Evans (john.evans.iii@morganstanley.com), Julia Royall, Laura Dozier, Christian Blackburn (youth), Caroline Cochran, Fred Crawford, Scott Douty and Mary Ann Seamon

Status: The PNC Team is reviewing candidates from the congregation, as well as, candidates that matched with-in the PCUSA CLC system. The team has received 59 candidates to date with additional candidates expected. The team is in the process of reviewing all candidates and has completed eight Skype interviews and two in-person interviews as of Mid-April, with other in-person interviews being scheduled. If the congregation has a candidate to recommend please send candidate submissions via email to: mppc.pnc@gmail.com, or directly to a team member. All submissions are held in the strictest of confidence and please keep us and this process of discernment in your prayers.

Associate Pastor

Co-Chair: Bruce McAdams (mcadams.bruce@gmail.com), Co-Chair: Jim Westerhold (westerhold.jim@gmail.com), Lindsay Bruorton, Bob Hervey, Rita Hallman, Kyle Murrell, Christina Lee (youth), Don Horres and Liza Dunn

Status: We continue to be open to the wisdom of the Holy Spirit as we search for that person whom God is calling to be our next Associate Pastor. And, we ask again that the congregation pray for us as we continue on our path of discernment.

Director of Christian Education (DCE)

Chair: Andy White-Boggan (whiteand@musc.edu), Co-Chair: Sheri Ledbetter (TLedbe7575@aol.com), Jane Parker, Anna Shugart, Butch Hills, Joe Molinari and Freeman Milligan

Status: Our team has posted the MIF and we have begun receiving applications for the position which we are now screening. We expect to begin interviews this month.

Posting: MPPC is seeking applications for a Director of Christian Education. Interested applicants can find more information by visiting www.pcusa.org/clc.

Middle School Director

Chair: Renee Pickren (pick2boys@yahoo.com), Coby Framp-ton, Michael Horton, Susan Carullo and John Bailey

Status: The interview process has commenced and several potential candidates have been identified. The committee is taking steps to fill the needs of the Middle School Ministry and have a Director on board by the end of the school year.

Net Search Team

Chair: Jim Deavor (deavorj@gmail.com), Vice-Chair: Courtney Buxton, Shannon Beckham, Chris Shugart, and Robert Word; Staff Advisors: Barbara Loehr-Fox, Tom Herrington

Status: The search team continues its work in finding a new music leader for the Net. Visit mppc.net/blog to view the job description. Please encourage any qualified individual you know to take a look and submit applications to musicresume@mppc.net.

Posting: Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church is seeking a part-time music leader for its blended worship service, the Net. The candidate must be able to serve as song leader, direct the band, be proficient on at least one instrument and possess a strong knowledge of a variety of Christian music: contemporary, spirituals, gospel, traditional hymns, and children's songs. Review of applications will continue until the position is filled. Please invite any qualified individual you know to review the job description. Applications may be submitted to musicresume@mppc.net. For more information, contact one of the committee members below



Jason Pedeaux
Organist, Assoc. Dir. of Music



Fine Arts News

On Friday evening, April 27, the Village Concert Series concluded its 2017-2018 season with a concert by the gifted young pianist Andrew Tyson. The concert featured music of Alban Berg, Frédéric Chopin, and Franz Schubert.

Thanks to everyone who supported the series by attending the concerts. Special thanks are due to the sponsors of the Village Concert Series. It is through their generosity that we are able to present these concerts to the community free of admission charge. Plans are currently underway for the 2018-2019 season. If you are interested in being a part of our second season, please contact either me or Barbara Loehr-Fox to find out how you can help.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES & ROOMS

	Age Group*	Room
Children	Infants	SB 110/Nursery
	Toddlers – Younger	SB 111
	Toddlers – Older	SB 109
	2 Year Old's	SB 106
	3 Year Old's	SB 103
	4 Year Old's	SB 101
	5K - 2nd Grade	SB 203
	3rd & 4th Graders	SB 208
Middle School	Rising 6th through Rising 8th Graders	Grace Hall 221-225
High School	Rising 9th through Graduated Seniors	Grace Hall Lower Level

**Grades based on 2017-2018 School Year*

Adults

Christian Parenting | Grace Hall 222

Christian Parenting focuses on developing and nurturing faith through all seasons of parenthood. This class is an on-going conversation and study of the Bible, theological principles, and the celebrations and challenges of parenting. None of us, as parents, has it all figured out. We are in this together! Join us as we magnify God's word for our lives, study our children's Sunday School lessons, and read various Christian books. Take time out from the busyness of the week, to come as you are, and to nurture and grow your relationship with God. Contact: Joel Whitley (joel.whitley@gmail.com)

The Middle | Seabrook 209

Formerly Adults of Adolescents, this class has diversified to include more than parents of teens. Yet we are all in the middle of something. Some of us are in the middle of raising kids, our lives, taking care of parents, etc. All of us are somewhere in the middle of our faith journey. Contact: Jim Deavor (deavorj@gmail.com) or Claire and Will Whitsett (clairewhitsett@gmail.com).

Seekers and Sowers | Seabrook 207

Read and study the Bible verse by verse with this wonderful group of men and women who aim to read and reflect deeply together. Using the New Revised Standard study edition (we have copies), this group digs into the history and context of each passage. We will be studying Amos followed by a study of forgiveness. Contact: Bill Marsh (wmarshmd@aol.com) or Russell Horres (russellhorres@att.net)

Worshipping God Through Music

This has been a very busy year in our ministry. Since last May, we've:

- hosted five outstanding Fine Arts concerts
- led in many special worship services - most recently, Ash Wednesday, Lenten Thursdays at Noon, Maundy Thursday and Easter
- gathered our neighborhood churches for the Good Friday Prayer Walk
- sung, rung and played instruments with members of all ages in over 175 anthems

We have had a wonderful time learning together and worshipping God through music. And, we aren't done yet. This summer we're going to try a new worship schedule for a longer period of time:

SUMMER WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL TIMES

May 27 – September 2

Worship

9:30 & *11:00 am

*Traditional & Contemporary

Sunday School

9:30 am

Grace Hall & Seabrook



Barbara Loehr-Fox
Director of Music Ministries

Also, looking ahead, we are offering our 11th annual Arts Camp for Children on August 6-8 from 5:30-7:30 pm. Every year brings different aspects of art to life in new and exciting ways. Our theme this year is "Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness" (Psalm 147). Children who have just completed Kindergarten through the 5th grade are welcome to attend. Registration is limited to 60 children. So, sign up quickly! Register online or in the church. Deadline to register is July 30th.



Contemporary Worship Sundays, 11:15 am Fellowship Hall

On Sundays in the Fellowship Hall, we offer an alternative worship service. The comfortable chairs and casual atmosphere are enjoyed by all ages and seem to work especially well with young families. Grab a cup of coffee to enjoy during fellowship and worship. Sing songs old and new led by a talented band of people from within MPPC. You'll hear the same scripture and sermon as our other services, but you'll see it on a screen instead of from a pulpit.



The eclectic music is made up of modern popular music (Christian and secular), classic hymns and prayers, and songs from other parts of the world. Our sounds are influenced by music we hear every day from groups like Mumford and Sons to Jazz Trios, and many other genres. We are creative in worship without leaving anything out or watering it down. Most of all, we are people who just enjoy spending time worshipping God together in the midst of our hectic lives.

Puzzle!

Search in all directions to find these words from the first seven chapters of Proverbs.

WORD LIST: covenant, delight, discipline, evil, father, fool, forsake, fountain, fruit, heart, honest, humble, insight, listen, Lord, love, neighbor, path, pleasant, poverty, protect, rebuke, sleep, son, teaching, tongue, walk, wisdom, youth

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Community Book Drive

I-Beam Book Drive

I-BEAM would love to have the books your child has outgrown. We will give the donated books to the I-BEAM students at Jennie Moore Elementary (our school) to encourage reading over the summer break. We will also put books into the two neighborhood library boxes I-BEAM has installed. Please put your donated books in the container near the MPPC Reception Desk. Many thanks.

This is an ongoing project and is held year round. If you collect books for donation beyond our May book drive or need additional information, please contact Sharon Barnett (sharonbarnett@comcast.net or 843-388-0642).

Lunch Bunch

May 21, 2018

11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Come join us for food (bring a dish to share), fellowship and fun. RSVP or for more information, contact Lucille Schram (843) 884-4080.

Pacesetters Dinner & Program:

MPPC Encore Singers

May 11

5:45 pm: Doors Open

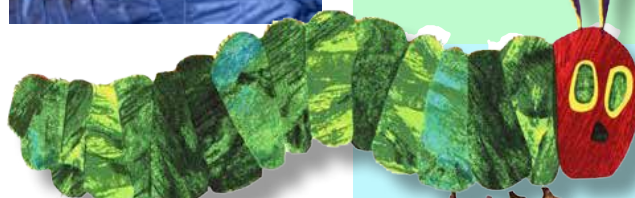
6:00 pm: Dinner

7:00 pm: Program

MPPC's Encore Singers share their uplifting music ministry of faith, hope and love with songs from Gospel to Broadway along with some special guests! RSVP to Doug Mellichamp (douglasmell@me.com, 843-884-2384). If you need transportation to dinner, call 843-884-4612.



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Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Learning Center

Mary Ruth Starr

Director of MPPC Learning Center

Happy May! The end of our school year is rapidly upon us believe it or not! We love all that May brings here at the Learning Center! Warm weather, Mother's Day, End of Year Celebrations, and Graduations! We will celebrate both our moms and dads this month in most of our classes and the children love to make art work to send home to show their love. We say goodbye to many of our 4K students this month but we know that they are well prepared for the world ahead. We also say goodbye to our 5K class as they graduate on to their new schools for the next year. We will miss all our students that will be leaving but will look forward to welcoming back many old and new students in the fall! Our last day of school is Wednesday, May 23, 2018 but we will be back on Tuesday, September 4! Until then have a wonderful SUMMER!!!

Learning Center Tours Monday-Friday

9:30 am to 11:30 am

We love to give tours and show off our beautiful school. If you are interested in having your child attend our school, please contact me (mstarr@mppc.net, 843-856-2020).





Chris Sarkowski
Director of High School Ministry
Asst. Middle School Ministries

Confirmands 2017-18

Please join me in welcoming out newest church members, the Confirmation Class of 2018! This amazing group of young people has spent the past eight months exploring what it means to have a transformational relationship with God. Through the large group teaching, small group discussions, worship, fellowship and recreation, they have worked together to confirm for themselves what it is they believe about God, the church, and their own personal faith journey. This has been an extraordinary journey for each of them. I am so proud of the time and effort they have given, and I can't wait to spend the next four years building on the foundations they have created during this Confirmation Experience. What a gift these young people are to our congregation! Thanks be to God!

Bennett Blanchard
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 Riley Butler
 Virginia Buxton
 Kaitlyn Cannon
 Nick Cladakis
 Anson Clark
 Edward Clement
 Claire Crawford
 Will Davis
 Teagan Domm
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Charlie Hagood
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 Hollan Hines
 Caroline Horton
 Kate Johnston
 Carter Limbert
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 Taylor Martel
 Ella McDowell
 Danny McIntyre
 Julia McKellar
 Emma McLeod
 Mac Pickren
 Sarah Foster Pitts
 Cora Ray

Grace Ray
 Aubrey Sarkowski
 Gracie Sarkowski
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are her clothing,
and she LAUGHS at the
time to come.
She opens her mouth
with
WISDOM,
and the teaching of
KINDNESS
is on her tongue.

— Proverbs 31: 25-26

*Happy
Mother's
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