

Stewardship *focus*

Dear MVP'S,

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The stewardship committee would like to make you aware of the many opportunities for spiritual growth and service available at MVPC. You are part of a vibrant, alive church community with a wide variety of activities for all ages. This is the first of three letters you will receive showcasing ministries of Maple Valley Presbyterian Church.

Women's Ministry

offers opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship for all women of the church.

Women's Bible Study meets weekly with 130 women currently studying God's Word together in daytime and evening groups.



Chicks with Choices

A group for the modern day woman, looking for the freedom to discover and walk her unique path toward vibrant choices. Led by Kim Galgano, the community of "Chicks" provides support and guidance so women can be brave and hopeful as they move toward that sure path where God's will lies.



Scrap N Chat meets three times a year, offering a chance to get to know other women while scrapbooking and crafting together!



MEN'S

FRATERNITY



Men's Fraternity is a three year course that helps men gain insight into a Biblical understanding of manhood. Since its start at MVPC in 2008, over 100 men have participated. This material has energized and encouraged many men to: reject passivity, accept responsibility, lead courageously and expect the greater reward - God's reward.

Stephen Ministry

encourages people in their walk with Jesus Christ through tough times.

Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who receive special training to provide one-on-one Christian care to people in our church and community who are experiencing grief, loneliness, divorce, hospitalization, disability, job loss, and many other life difficulties. MVPC



currently has sixteen Stephen Ministers, each with over 50 hours of training. They have provide support to over thirty people in our congregation and several from our community. Stephen Ministers are not counselors; their main goal is to show the love of Jesus Christ to people facing difficult times.

Small Group Ministry

brings truth to life in groups of genuine friends.



Home Groups are designed to be the primary place where we practice and grow as followers of Jesus Christ. MVPC currently has 33 ongoing Home Groups with over 460 adults participating. Small Group Leadership consists of 85 individuals who participate in ongoing training. Everyone is encouraged to be a part of a Home Group!



KidREACH

is a one-to-one academic mentoring program which provides help and encouragement for at-risk students in our neighborhood. A team of 25 MVPC volunteers currently work with 17 second thru fifth graders from Shadow Lake Elementary every Thursday after school. We work in partnership with each child's teacher and family, demonstrating Christ's love for them in practical ways.



For more information on these and other opportunities at Maple Valley Presbyterian Church, go to www.mvpc.net



Serving in partnership with you,
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