



CELEBRATION of SALVATION

Today

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FINISH SUNDAY STRONG

Gathering Options:

QGroups are small gatherings that meet in homes to study God's word. Go to mrcc.org/qgroups for more information and to sign up for a group.

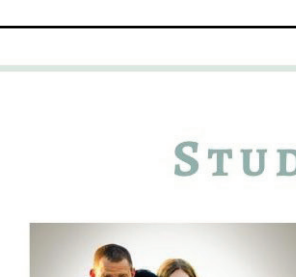
Sunday evening service is at 5 pm. Join us in the auditorium for an additional time of singing, prayer, and study.



Thank you for joining us today!

If you are attending in person today, make sure you sign the Welcome Book! If you are a member, welcome any guests seated on your row.

If you are worshipping with us online, use mrcc.org/welcomebook



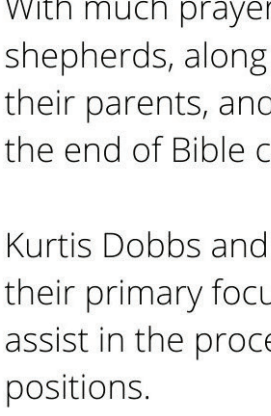
Please join us for First Cup

First Cup is an opportunity for newcomers to learn more about MRCC. First Cup happens every Sunday at 9:35 a.m. in the Conference Room.

Visit mrcc.org/firstcup for more information.

MINISTRY UPDATES

STUDENT MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENT



Plumb Family

The Student Ministry Shepherds want to communicate to the entire congregation some upcoming changes in campus and youth ministry. With the recent departures of Jay Mack and Hudson Hutchinson from campus ministry, the student ministry elders agreed that replacements for these two positions were needed to continue to create a community for our college students. Following Jay's and Hudson's announcement, Brian Plumb and Logan Mayes approached the elders about a possible move from youth ministry into campus ministry.

With much prayer and exploration of ministry needs, the student ministry shepherds, along with Brian and Logan, decided to make this transition. The youth, their parents, and the campus students were informed of this move on Sunday at the end of Bible class.

Kurtis Dobbs and Bailey Lauxman will continue their work in youth ministry with their primary focus on our junior high students. Kurtis, Bailey, Logan, and Brian will assist in the process of locating ministers to fill the vacated male and female positions.

We are thankful to Logan and Brian for the years they and their spouses have devoted to our youth and have assisted in their spiritual development. The elders are confident that they will have a similar impact on our college students. We are equally appreciative to Kurtis and Bailey for their leadership and love for our youth. The elders request that you ask God to provide Spirit led individuals who will complement the talents of Kurtis and Bailey and will assist our youth in being fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

Much Love,
Max Pope, Jason Garner, Neil Arter, and Brent Scott



Mayes Family

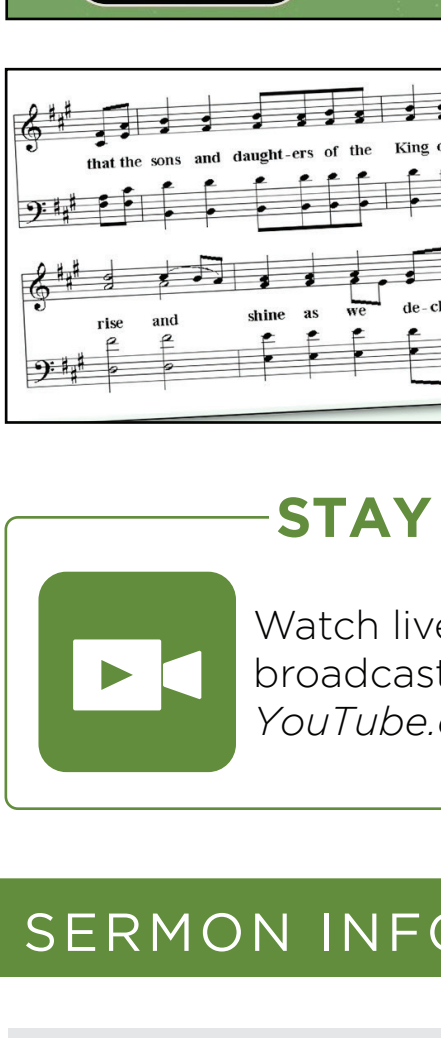
HELP WELCOME THE CAMPUS STUDENTS BACK SUNDAY, AUGUST 1.

We will host a lunch for the Campus freshmen and their families Sunday, August 1 in the gym. We need many dishes to be made. Adult Bible classes have been assigned a specific dish such as green beans or desserts. A signup sheet will be in your class today. Each dish needs to have 12-15 servings and be in a disposable container.

Please sign up in class to make our Campus students feel at home with these homemade goodies. For more information contact Debbie Carter at 607-6470 debbie.carter@mrcc.org, Brian Plumb brian.plumb@mrcc.org or Logan Mayes logan.mayes@mrcc.org

Thank you for your help!

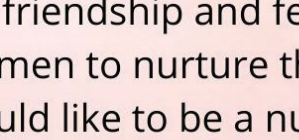
We're Back to Mugging Guests!



With the return of the physical Welcome Books comes the return of mugs for first-time, local guests. One of the best things that the books do is help us identify those who are new to Memorial Road. In addition to greeting the people who fill out the blue forms near you, one great way for members to make guests feel welcome is to deliver a mug. It's simple - just swing by the shelves at Information Central before you leave the building to see if there are any mugs prepared that you can deliver to someone's doorstep. In the mug, there will be a sheet with the guest's info, a map, and some information about our church. Take it to the person's residence, briefly thank them for worshipping with us, and invite them back. That's it! We want people to know how much we appreciate and value their presence; this is an easy and effective way to do just that. Thanks for your help in making our church warm and welcoming!

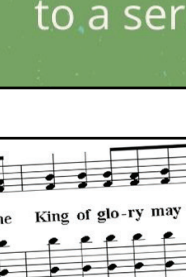
UPCOMING EVENTS

women's ministry



Heartfelt Friends: If you are between the ages of 18-100 and would like to grow in your faith through friendship and fellowship, join us at Heartfelt! Titus 2:3-5 exhorts older women to nurture the younger women. If you need nurturing, sign up; if you would like to be a nurturer, sign up! There is a place for everyone! For details or to sign up, go to mrcc.org/women or visit the table in the foyer July 18-August 1.

Unpacking the Boxes: This class is for women new to the community. It begins September 8. For more information or to register, go to unpackingtheboxes.com



GOT THE APP?

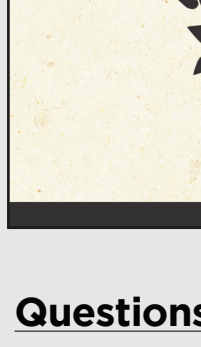
Download the MRCC app (for iOS and Android) and have all our resources in the palm of your hand. Read the bulletin, submit a prayer request, listen to a sermon, and much more! Check it out today!



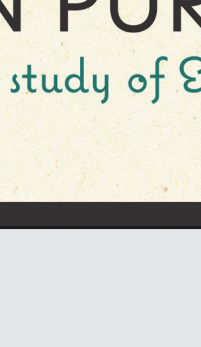
mrcc.org/songslides

Each week, a PDF of song slides will be available for anyone who would like to follow along with worship on their device. Download on the MRCC App or at mrcc.org/songslides.

STAY CONNECTED & INFORMED

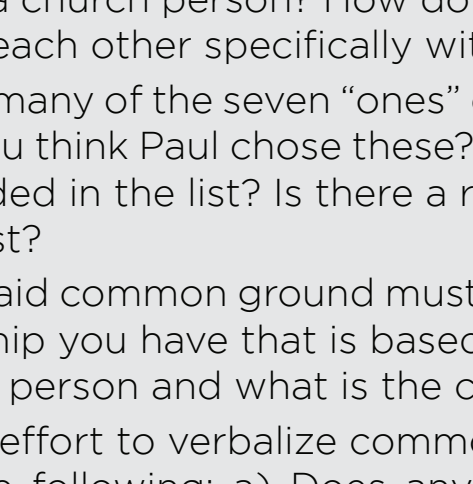


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SERMON INFO



ON PURPOSE

a study of Ephesians

Questions for Reflection & Discussion

- Phil said it is easy to come together and hard to stay together, and that the skills required for the first are different than the skills required for the second. What do you think are some skills necessary to stay together (in friendship, marriage, church life, etc.?)
- Ephesians 4:2 says, "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love." When was a moment it was hard to be patient with a church person? How do you think we can learn to be more patient with each other specifically within the context of our church family?
- How many of the seven "ones" can you name from Ephesians 4:4-6? Why do you think Paul chose these? Can you think of some that you wish were included in the list? Is there a relationship between the seven that are on the list?
- Phil said common ground must be verbalized to be valuable. Share a relationship you have that is based on some specific common ground. Who is the person and what is the common ground?
- In an effort to verbalize common ground, have a conversation about any of the following: a) Does anyone have spiritual victories to celebrate? (Bonus question: Other than baptism, what are spiritual victories we can celebrate?) b) What have you been praying about lately? c) What did you experience, learn, enjoy during church service this morning?
- What are your memories of your baptism?

FAMILY UPDATES

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We Celebrate The Following Baptisms:

Monday, July 5:

- Hunter, Briley, and Chloe McCall**, children of **Scott & Stacy McCall**

Thursday, July 15

- Cash Jones**, son of **Darren & Jill Jones** and grandson of **Lela Cash**

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Continue to remember . . .

- Judy Davis**, who is in hospice care.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to . . .

- The family of **Tom McRay**, who passed away Saturday, July 10.
- James & Marsha Bailey** and the **Josh Bailey** family on the recent death of James's sister and Josh's aunt, Judy Bailey.

NEW BABIES

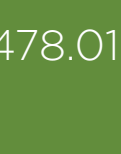
Congratulations to . . .

- Matt & Carol Loeber** on the birth of their daughter, **Elin Maxine**, Wednesday, July 7. Grandparents are **Ron & Lindi Stangeland**, and great-grandparents are **Earl & Maxine Hammer**.
- Bryan & Delise Williams** on the birth of their grandson, **Julien Williams Knox**, Sunday, July 11, to Daniel & Jessica Knox.

THANK YOU

- Thank you to all who sent cards, messages, and flowers for the loss of my mother. The Memorial Road family is indeed that . . . a family. Thanks to all. ~**Bob & Judi Lashley**

Ways to give



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mrcc.org
text amount to:
884.371.2333



Prayer Requests

We would love to pray for you. Submit your prayer requests at mrcc.org/prayer, or on the MRCC App.

Weekly Budget: \$102,065 | Avg Weekly Offering: \$95,703 | YTD Budget Deficit: \$178,126

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