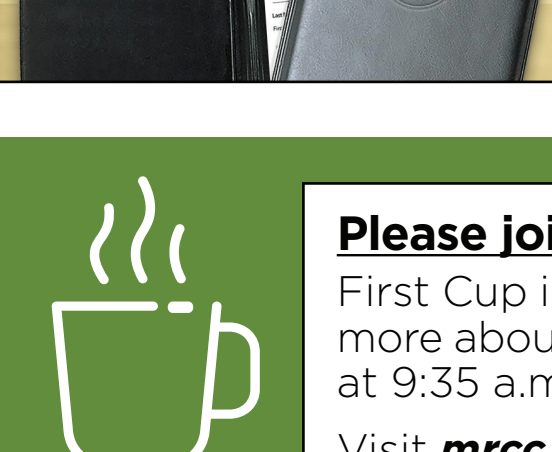


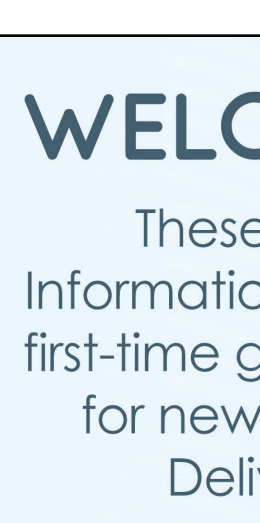


THANKS FOR JOINING US TODAY!



Please take a moment to sign the Welcome Book, located in your pew. Members, please greet any guests seated near you.

If you're joining us virtually, sign easily at 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.

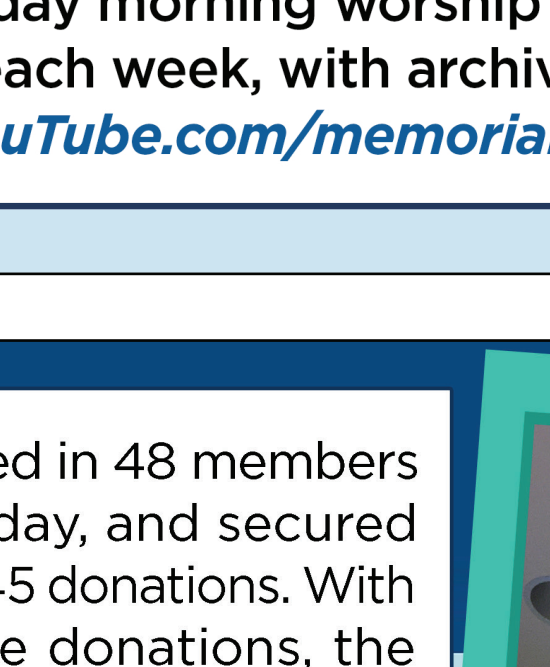
Visit mrcc.org/firstcup for more information.

WELCOME MUGS AND BASKETS

These simple gifts are available at Information Central. Mugs are intended for first-time guests to MRCC, while Baskets are for newcomers to your neighborhood. Deliver a mug or basket today!



MINISTRY UPDATES



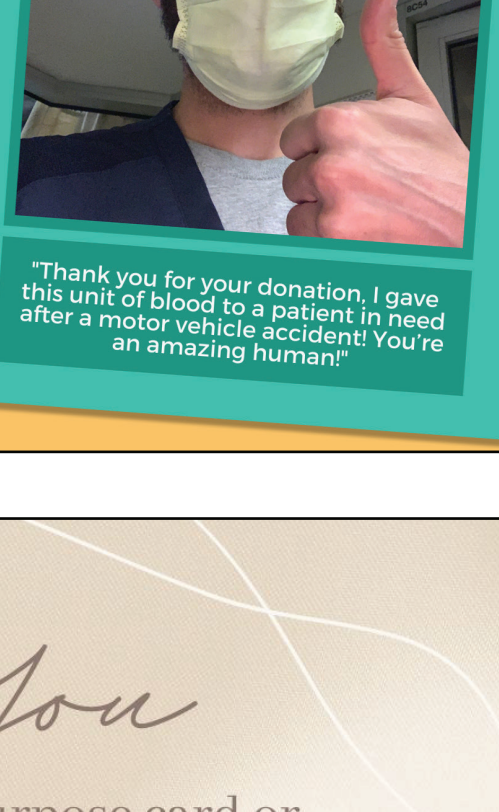
MASKS RECOMMENDED

We're recommending masks for those meeting in-person as Omicron circulates. Let's look out for each other and our community. Remember to stay home if you're symptomatic or feeling unwell. Sunday morning worship is broadcast live at 8:15 each week, with archives available, at YouTube.com/memorialroad.



We signed in 48 members last Sunday, and secured a total of 45 donations. With those forty-five donations, the lives of 135 patients were saved. Thank you for hosting the blood drive, even though the weather wasn't ideal!

~Julie Gimmel, for OBI



"Thank you for your donation. I gave this unit of blood to a patient in need after a motor vehicle accident! You're an amazing human!"

Thank you

to everyone who completed a purpose card or sent in an email to help us plan for 2022.

Just a reminder that if you utilize our online giving app, please go into the app to update your giving amount for 2022. If you need help changing this amount [click here](#) or you can contact

Tammy McKeever in the office.

MRCC WINTER WEDNESDAYS

A new set of adult classes started last Wednesday. We have classes for all ages and life stages, including a parenting class, a young adults class, and several classes & groups for women. Remember, our start time for most classes is now 6:30 p.m. View the entire list of offerings at mrcc.org/Wednesday.

Additionally, we have plenty of classes available on **The Well**, including some of the recently-completed classes from this past fall. And we'll be adding some of the upcoming classes there week-to-week. Check out your options at mrcc.org/thewell. You can pick a class and learn online at your own pace.

MRCC will be returning to the Dallas Anatole this year for LTC!!

Registration Fee is \$45/student

Visit mrcc.org/LTC for a full rundown of charges and to find a registration link.

Practices begin next Sunday!

THE PROMISE

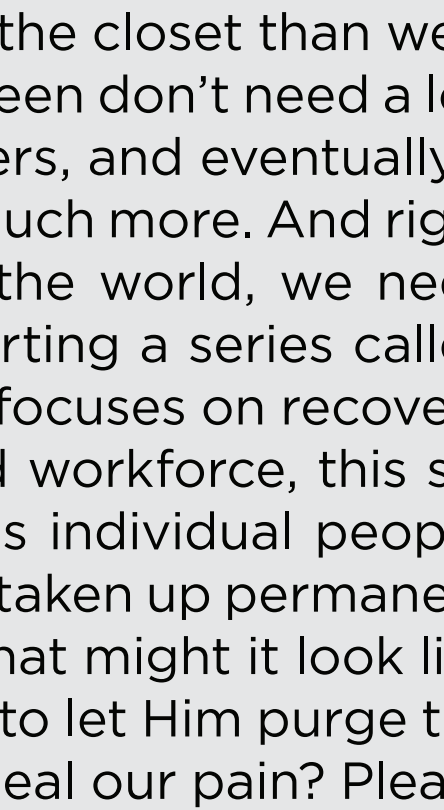
NTALTC
April 15-16, 2022

women's ministry

NEST FOR WIDOWS will meet tomorrow from 6:30-8 p.m. (note new time) in A105-106. Guests are welcome and may also join us for the optional bring-your-own-supper fellowship time at 6:00. Details are at mrcc.org/nest or contact **Lori Walle** at 405-213-4725.

VOLUNTEER PHARMACISTS NEEDED

The Lighthouse Medical Clinic, a free medical clinic sponsored by Memorial Road, is in need of licensed pharmacists that could volunteer one or two days per month to help operate the clinic's pharmacy. The pharmacy is licensed with the state as a charitable pharmacy. If you or someone you know might be interested, contact **Beverly North** at bjnorth@aol.com or 405-202-8162.



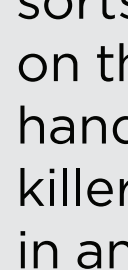
IN MEMORIAM VIDEO

THE 2021 IN MEMORIAM VIDEO IS AVAILABLE TO VIEW AT [YOUTUBE.COM/MEMORIALROAD](https://YouTube.com/MEMORIALROAD)

CONTRIBUTION TRAY-PASSERS NEEDED

Please go to the check-in area in the small hallway across from Information Central (next to the Conference Room) to see if you're needed. Thank you!

STAY CONNECTED & INFORMED



Watch live or previous broadcasts of worship, sermons, or WOW at YouTube.com/memorialroad.

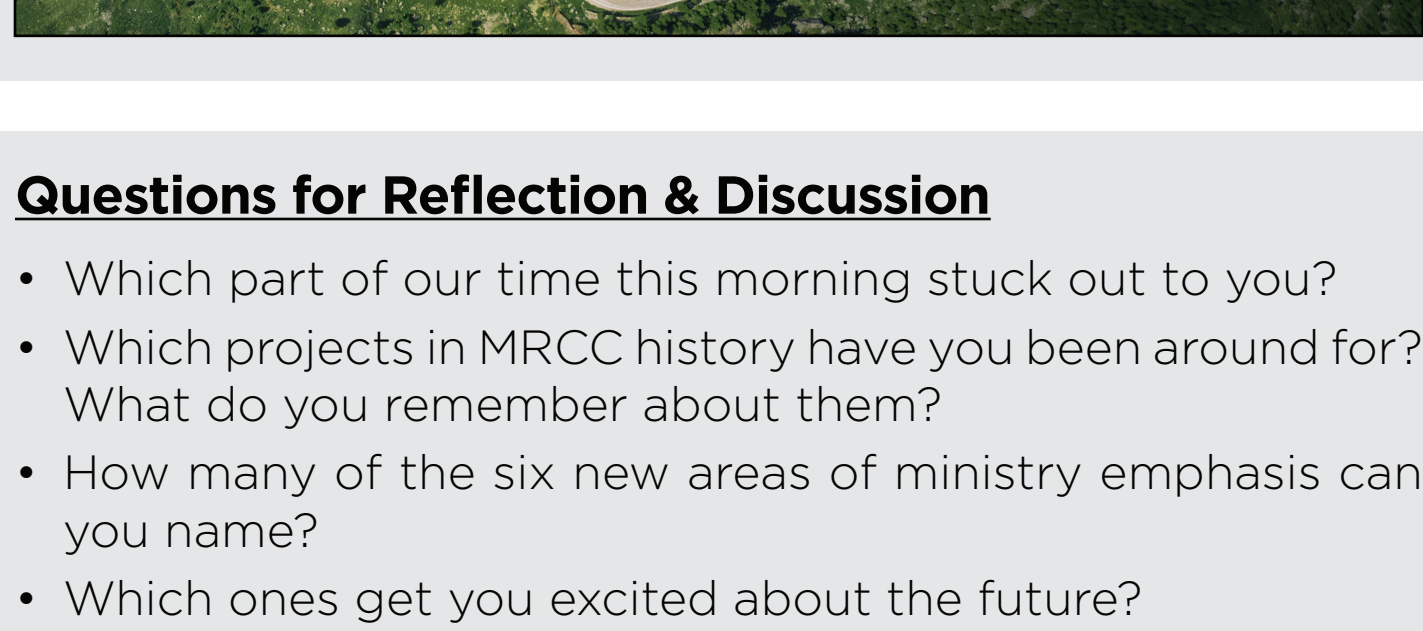


Download the MRCC App (for iOS and Android) for easy access to all our resources. Check it out today!

SERMON INFO

Years ago there was a TV comedy series called *Chuck*, which portrayed a duo of government agents doing all sorts of spy stuff in amusing ways. One minor character on the show had the nickname "Awesome." He was tall, handsome, lived in a mansion, had a charming smile, killer abs, and a gorgeous wife. Whenever he appeared in an episode, he'd be doing chin-ups or cooking dinner or saving a puppy. He was **that** guy—so over-the-top that it made you laugh, precisely because his character was so **unreal**.

But we all know nobody actually lives like this. The truth is, most of us have more flaws, weaknesses, unresolved issues, bad habits, and skeletons in the closet than we'd like to admit. Unreal people on a screen don't need a lot, just some good dialogue from writers, and eventually a series finale. But real people need much more. And right now, in this particular moment in the world, we need to **recover**. So, next week we're starting a series called *Road to Recovery*. While our world focuses on recovery for our economy, supply chain, and workforce, this series will focus on recovery for us as individual people. Isolation, depression, and fear have taken up permanent residence in many of our hearts. What might it look like for us to open ourselves up to God, to let Him purge the darkness, to restore our hearts, to heal our pain? Please invite a friend and join us next week as we launch out into this important study of God's Word on this subject.



Questions for Reflection & Discussion

- Which part of our time this morning stuck out to you?
- Which projects in MRCC history have you been around for? What do you remember about them?
- How many of the six new areas of ministry emphasis can you name?
- Which ones get you excited about the future?
- Do you enjoy setting things on fire? What is something you have set on fire on purpose?
- In the year of Jubilee, God called Israel to practice liberation in three ways. Can you name those ways?
- The Old Testament never records Israel actually practicing the year of jubilee. Why do you think that is?
- What does the year of Jubilee show us about the heart of God?
- What is a dream you have for the future of MRCC?
- What areas of your life deserve more celebration?

FAMILY UPDATES

1.9.22

Hospitalized

Dee Allen, mother of **Kent Allen** and **Melissa Lauxman**, is in Epworth Villa Skilled Nursing.

Sergei Kasyanenko, husband of **Svetlana Kasyanenko**, is in ICU at Edmond Medical Center with Covid.

Prayer Requests

Duane Shipman was hospitalized last week with Covid.

Quinton Martin is recovering from Covid and will be able to resume chemo treatments at M.D. Anderson soon.

Our Sympathy is extended to...

The **Nikkeal Lewis** family on the death of his father, Jimmy Donald, Thursday, Dec. 30, in Oklahoma City.

The **Kevin Thomas** family on the death of **Shannon's** father, Mac Moser, Friday, Dec. 31, in Yukon.

The **Mark Brewer** family on the death of **Beth's** brother, Larry Carr, Monday, Jan. 3, in New Mexico. He was also an uncle of **Allison Dinse**.

Bud McFarland, Bruce & Susan Smith, and Charles & Ji McFarland on the death of their wife and mother, **Sarah McFarland**, Thursday, Jan. 6. The funeral will be Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2 p.m., here at MRCC. The service will also be streamed live on our YouTube channel.

Memorial Service

The memorial service for **Dale Yocum**, son of **Sue Yocum**, will be Saturday, Jan. 15, 10 a.m., in Room A105/106.

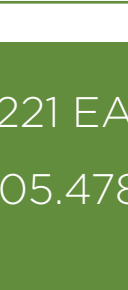
New Baby

Congratulations to **Jake & Holly Hill** on the birth of their daughter, **Olivia June**, Saturday, Jan. 1.

Shower

Bridal Shower for **Ally Freeman**, daughter of **Michael & Lori Freeman**, will be Sunday, Jan. 16, 2-3:30 p.m., in the home of **Beth Brewer** (address available in the online directory). She is registered at Pottery Barn, Williams Sonoma, and Amazon.

Ways to give



mrcc.org
[mrcc app](https://mrcc.org/app)
text amount to:
884.311.2333

Prayer Requests



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

BUDGET INFORMATION

2021 ANNUAL

Budget: \$5,307,370 | Offering: \$5,211,215 | Deficit: \$96,155

2022

Weekly Budget: \$102,055 | Avg Weekly Offering: \$61,695 | YTD Budget Deficit: \$40,360