



**MORROW
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Vacation Bible School—July 16-20



Vacation Bible School (VBS)

July 16 – 20, 2017

6:00 p.m.



God's Heroes Have * Heart * Courage * Wisdom * Hope * Power

DAILY COLORS or SUPER HERO:

- SUNDAY:** PURPLE (Jesus is my Hero)
- MONDAY:** RED, WHITE, & BLUE (Captain America, Wonder Woman, Superman, Supergirl)
- TUESDAY:** GREEN (Green Lantern, Hulk, She Hulk)
- WEDNESDAY:** RED (Spiderman, Iron Man)
- THURSDAY:** BLACK (Batman, Bat Girl)

Dinner provided each night. Thursday will be a covered dish.

[Registration Forms in Narthex](#)

HERO CENTRAL

Our kids will go on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes and discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. **VBS Hero Central** uses epic music, spectacular science, crafty crafts, heroic recreation, and fantastic Bible stories to help kids (and leaders) discover their strength in God!

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The Pastor's Pen



Last month we talked about the hand of God. This month is about the breath of God. It is the great breath that breathes life and makes things new.

The early Hebrews had a word for *breath* (*ruach*), and this word was also the same word for *wind* and *spirit*. There was no separating them from the one word *ruach*. So when you read the verses below, realize they all have to do with the breath of God.

The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit (Breath, Wind) of God was moving over the surface of the waters (Genesis 1:2).

Then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath (spirit, wind) of life; and the man became a living being (Genesis 2:7).

“The Spirit (Breath, Wind) of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life” (Job 33:4).

“You blew with your wind (spirit, breath), the sea covered them [as the Egyptians tried to pursue the Israelites on dry ground]; they sank like lead in the mighty waters” (Exodus 15:10).

Again [God] said to me, “Prophesy over these bones and say to them, ‘O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.’ “Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones, ‘Behold, I will cause breath (spirit, wind) to enter you that you may come to life. I will put sinews on you, make flesh grow back on you, cover you with skin and put breath (spirit, wind) in you that you may come alive; and you will know that I am the LORD” (Ezekiel 37:4-6).

“The Spirit (Breath, Wind) of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to captives and freedom to prisoners” (Isaiah 61:1).

“The wind (spirit, breath) blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit” (John 3:8).

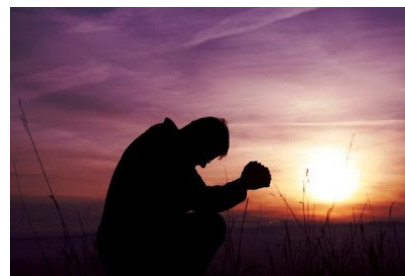
When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind (spirit, breath), and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance (Acts 2:1-4).

These are just a few verses that speak of the breath of God. Hopefully they will help you think differently of *breath* and *spirit* and *wind*. The wind may (noticeably) blow outside and air may fill our lungs (unnoticeably), but all come from God. God breathes, and the Spirit is given, and we are reborn and renewed.

Peace in Christ,

Rev. Dr. John

Prayer Requests



PRAYING FOR OUR MEMBERS, FAMILIES, & FRIENDS SSG Richard Venizelos – deploying to Iraq, Robb Haney (friend of Warlicks, Uris, & Hootens), Tom Janes, Jo Bevil, Allie Brandon, Mary Bridges, Allene Brown, Susan Brown, Emrie Buchanan, Mary Butler, Rey Cabayan, Betty Colwell, Ken Campbell, Bill & Lucie Cantrell, Christy Cavender, Laura Dempsey, Ilona Dorsey, Sherrie Esquivel, Jessica Giddens, Bob Grandinetti, Gary & Janice Grant, Lila Haney, Mary Ann Hathaway, Charles Hoequist, Jennie Johnson, Tricia Koehler, Leah Lipps, Nancy Matthews, Grandma & Grandpa Moriles, Moriles Family, Jimmy Mullinax, Nan Norton, Ray Norton, Enyidia Onuoha, Virginia Oswald, Rick Peel, John Popovich, Beverly Pruett, Pat Randolph, Jean Rathbun, Wendy Ray, Linda Souza, Keith Stanley, Emily Starr, Margaret Strelsky, Ann Thornton, Stuart Updike, Laurel Underwood, Venezuela, Eddy Wheeler, Gene Williams, Terry & Margie Williams, Cheryl Wilson, Bruce Winkles, Susan Wolpin. **OUR MISSIONARIES:** Rev. Al Tinio & family in the Philippines; Dan & Elizabeth Turk – Madagascar. **OUR MILITARY:** SGT Kevin Brown, Army—Kansas; SGT Jaime Brown, Army, Kansas; Jeremy Butler – Marines; Joseph Eason – Army - Texas, PFC Najee Hall, Army, CA; Kevin Krebs, AK; **Our College Students.** A full prayer list is available in the narthex next to the library.

Prayers for Schools—July 30



We will be praying for all of our schools during the worship service on Sunday, July 30. If your school was not represented with a sign last year, please make sure you check with the church office to add it for this year. **Wear your school colors on July 30!**



Presbyterian Women



PWCT— NO Meeting in July.

Virginia Dews Circle, Italian Oven, July 24, 6:30 p.m. (note change in date). The Virginia Dews Circle will meet at the Italian Oven in Stockbridge on July 24 at 6:30 p.m. for dinner and fellowship.

Dorcas Circle, Silver Bay Restaurant, July 11, 11:30 a.m. The Dorcas Circle will meet at Silver Bay Restaurant in Stockbridge on July 11 at 11:30 a.m. for their annual "out to lunch" meeting. Friends and spouses are invited.

Morning Glory Circle— July 30, 9:30 a.m. The Morning Glory Circle will continue in their new study, "Jonah," by Priscilla Shirer. They will watch the video for Session 2 of the book. Books are available at LifeWay and Amazon.

Mission Possible: 3 approximately \$681

July Santa Claus Express – Ladies Robes, PJ's , and Slippers

Pianist Needed



Piano Player Needed. If you can play the piano and would like to share that gift to glorify God, we are needing additional persons to help play the preparatory music on Sunday mornings. You may volunteer for a regular monthly time slot or one Sunday here and there. Please contact the church office or Anne Fordham if you believe that the Lord is speaking to you about this opportunity.

Sermon Schedule for July

July 2	-	Pastor John
July 9	-	Frank Warlick
July 16	-	Dock Gammage
July 23	-	Mack McKee (Youth Sunday)
July 30	-	Dock Gammage

Bridal Shower for Jasmin Cos, July 30, 2 p.m.

Bridal Shower for Jasmin Cos, July 30, 2 p.m. The Morning Glory and Virginia Dews Circles invite all women to attend a bridal shower for Jasmin Cos, who will be getting married to Jacob Petroziello on September 16, 2017. Jasmin & Jacob are registered at Target and Amazon.

Congratulations to Dock Gammage—Man of the Year 2017



Congratulations to Dock Gammage our newest Morrow Presbyterian Women's Man of the Year for 2017. He was honored on June 18 for his many contributions to this church. Allen Grant & Bruce Campbell presented the award.

Who is Dock Gammage? The following is how the people of MPC describe who Dock is: "*Sunday School Teacher, Youth Director, Liturgist, delivers Children's Sermons, Elder, Substitute Pastor, High School Teacher, High School Basketball Coach, a great man of the church, Mentor, Role Model, Husband and Father. Dock is all of these and so much more. He leads the Young Adult Sunday School class, continuing to build the spiritual lives of the youth. Dock heads the Youth Group on all their adventures (Sunday evenings, The Great Escape, Fun in the Sun, weekend get-aways, mission trips, and more). He has served as an Elder on the Discipleship and Facilities Maintenance Ministry Teams*

and currently serves as Worship Co-Chair. He touches lives and tirelessly spends time with others to share God's word and plan in their lives. His spiritual guidance and example has led this church and congregation. He uses his teaching platform to reach those that don't know God and to reassure those who do. His sermons are from the heart—personal, spiritual, motivating, and thought-provoking. A glimpse into the Godly man that he is. He approaches every task and every situation with enthusiasm (such as power washing the church and painting). He helps out with the computer system and projector for our services. Dock is a mentor to the youth of our church and the community—an inspiration to families, adults, and children—a role model for young men—a great man of the church. In a nutshell, Dock exemplifies the true Christian spirit in all that he does—teaching and coaching, mentoring the youth of the church, assisting with the church upkeep, serving as elder and shepherding the flock through his preaching. He demonstrates compassion to all, dedication to duty, and faithfulness to God. Christ is in his heart."

Thank you, Dock Gammage, for your service and dedication to God and Morrow Presbyterian Church.

Thank You Notes



From Deborah Venizelos (for the MPC Women's Coordinating Team) ...I would like to give a great big hug to all the Presbyterian Women (that includes ALL women at MPC) who brought in all the delicious items for our Father's Day Breakfast on June 18. Everything was delicious and obviously prepared with love! We had a wide variety of breakfast foods and plenty to go around. We fed between 70 and 75 people, who all seemed to enjoy the company and the meal.


I would also like to thank Bruce Campbell and Allen Grant for their heartfelt words during the presentation of our "Man of the Year" recognition to Dock Gammage. They were able to render Dock almost speechless by the time he came up front. Congratulations, Dock!

Morrow Presbyterian Church is filled with love and God's Spirit which is always present and in charge.

From Gene & Willis Williams (Susie Grant's sister) ...We would like to thank the members of Morrow Presbyterian Church for their cards and prayers after the passing of our son, McKinley. Your thoughtfulness helped us through a difficult time. God bless you.

From Betty Colwell & Sandy & Bryan Burgess... Thank each and everyone for their love and support during our time of sadness and grief.

Air Conditioner Progress

Needed		Received
\$15,750.90		\$ 4,752.50

Financial Health—June, 2017

June 4	-	\$ 6, 806.42	Needed:
June 11	-	\$ 5, 661.26	\$22,266.00
June 18	-	\$ 5, 097.00	Received:
June 25	-	\$ 4, 432.20	\$21,996.88