



# *Mint Hill Presbyterian Church*

## *"Brief Notes"*

### *August - September 2021*



#### *Sundays at Mint Hill Presbyterian*

##### *9:00 a.m. - Adult Sunday School*

The Adult Sunday School class meets up "on the hill" in the room behind the garage, and is taught by Steve Smith. We will be starting the book of **Ruth** on **Sunday, September 12**. If you would like to start attending this class, we welcome you and encourage you to come! You'll be glad you did!

##### *9:50 a.m. - Prayer Circle (each Sunday now at new time) -*

Every Sunday we join in a prayer circle located in the Sunday School room Marilyn uses, to pray for the worship service, the sick, concerns of the congregation, etc. **Everyone** is invited to join us and we encourage you to come!

##### *10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship Service*

Our congregation meets each Sunday morning to worship and hear the Word. Please join us for rich teaching and music!



*Holy Communion is usually served the first Sunday of each month. The next communion Sunday is September 5.*

#### *Weekdays at Mint Hill Presbyterian*

##### *Tuesday mornings - Women's Bible Study*

Each Tuesday morning at **10:15**, the women in the church meet for Bible study, led by Donni DeHart. **The Bible study group will resume study on Tuesday, September 14 at 10:15 a.m.** We will be studying *The Attributes of God*, an amazing scriptural study by A. W. Pink. (Books will be available.) Please join us!

##### *Praise Team Rehearsal - Each Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m.*

#### **Welcome to Rev. Jeff Morrison and family!**

We are so excited and thankful to have Pastor Jeff Morrison and his family with us! Jeff is now our "occasional supply" pastor. This means that he will be with us each Sunday to preach and minister in various ways.

Jeff has been married to Cathy for over 30 years and they have three children, Abigail, Andrew and Ian. He has served churches in the PCUSA, the EPC, the PCA and the ARP in various capacities over the last 20 years and holds an MDiv from Reformed Theological Seminary and a DMin from Gordon Connell Theological Seminary.

We praise God for sending Jeff to us and can't wait to see how the Lord is going to use him!



***Meal and Movie Nights are Back!***  
***Saturday, September 11 at 5:30 p.m.***



We are starting up our Meal and a Movie Night once again! To kick off this favorite activity of Mint Hill Pres, we will be showing *The Pilgrim's Progress*, a family-friendly animated feature. (\*\*This film is rated PG, but some images may be frightening to younger children. Please let us know if you will be bringing a young child and we will set up a children's video for them.)

This feature follows closely John Bunyan's masterpiece by the same title. A man named Pilgrim discovers a book, and the more he reads it, the more he is convicted of sin and judgment and a burden begins to develop on his back. Obsessed with discovering the truth and escaping his town, the City of Destruction, he ventures outside the forbidden borders and begins his journey to find a Celestial City ruled by a good and noble King, meeting friends and foes along the way.

**Our meal of hotdogs and hamburgers - with all the fixin's - will begin at 5:30 p.m., and we will begin watching the movie as soon as people begin eating (so we can show this 2-hour movie in its entirety). Mint Hill Presbyterian will provide the hotdogs, hamburgers and condiments. A sign-up sheet will be located in the foyer of the church with a list of items for which you may sign up.**

**Mark your calendar! We hope to see you there!**

### ***Mercy Fund***

Every Communion Sunday we take a collection for our Mercy Fund, which helps to support those in our church family who are having financial struggles.

***Birthdays***  
***August, September and October***

### **August**

9 ***Matthew DeHart***  
 19 ***Eddie Lutz***  
 21 ***Bill Morris***



### **September**

2 ***Debby Lutz***  
 3 ***Richard Brueck***  
 3 ***Serenity Melton***  
 5 ***Aaron Melton***  
 5 ***Evelyn Brueck***  
 7 ***Steve Smith***  
 7 ***Tom Vehue***  
 7 ***Vance Porter***  
 13 ***Claire Depaoli***  
 16 ***Shirley Saine***  
 19 ***Butch Bigham***  
 29 ***Helen Scheffel***

***Women of the Church Meeting***  
**Our next WOC Meeting will be held on September 26** immediately following worship in the manse. Please bring a snack to share.  
 All ladies in the church invited!

**A very special thank you to Dr. Rod Culbertson** for ministering to us from the pulpit



so many times while we have been without a pastor. Rod was presented with a special gift (a gift card to Moe's Barbeque—his favorite restaurant!) from the family at MHPC.



(right) Rod and his wife Cathy at Moe's BBQ in Hendersonville!



Rod's email address:  
**rculbertson@rts.edu**



### *Prayer Requests*

Every week a list of prayer requests from the congregation is distributed by email. If you have a request you would like to put on the list, **please see Anne Depaoli**, or send her an email or text. And if you are not currently on the email list but would like to be, let Anne know this also and she will be happy to add your name!

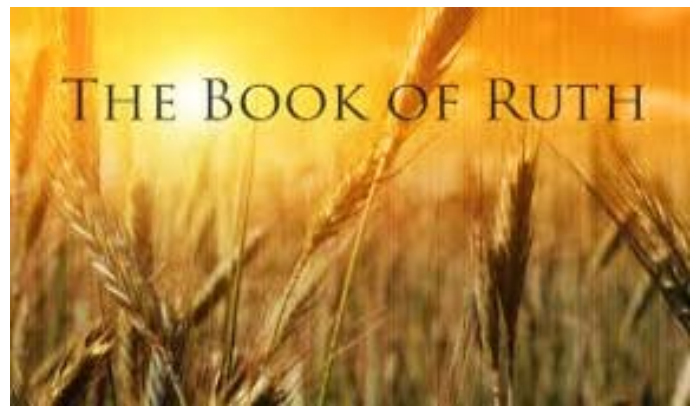
**Serenity Grace Melton** was baptized on Sunday, August 1, 2021. This is the first baptism MHPC has had in at least 2 years, so this was very exciting! Serenity's grandfather, Donn DeHart, performed the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, and Pastor Jeff Morrison preached a special sermon on baptism. An additional blessing was that Serenity's great-grandfather, Bob Barnes, was able to be present to celebrate this special time in Serenity's life.

Afterward, we all went up to the manse and had our first fellowship meal together since before the COVID virus hit.

See photos below of this special service and time of fellowship.



(Above) Serenity's great-grandfather, Bob Barnes makes his way to the front. (left) The WOC presented Serenity with a special gift in honor of the occasion.



**Beginning Sunday, September 12, at 9:00 a.m.**

Sunday School taught by Steve Smith.

The book of Ruth came along at a time of irresponsible living in Israel's history and appropriately called the people back to a greater responsibility and faithfulness before God—even in difficult times. This call applies just as clearly to us today. We belong to a loving, faithful, and powerful God who has never failed to care and provide for His children. Like Ruth and Boaz, we are called to respond to that divine grace in faithful obedience, in spite of the godless culture in which we live.

Join us in September to hear this amazing story of God's faithfulness! (\*\*We will meet in the former Sunday School classroom in the garage building.)



Lots of food and fun were had after worship as we gathered in the manse for a special fellowship lunch in honor of Serenity's baptism.

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 5 Holy Communion	6	7	8	9 Praise Team Rehearsal 7 p.m.	10	11 Meal & Movie Night 5:30 p.m.
12 Sunday School Resumes 9 a.m.	13	14 WOC Bible Study 10:15 a.m.	15	16 Praise Team Rehearsal 7 p.m.	17	18
19	20	21 WOC Bible Study 10:15 a.m.	22	23 Praise Team Rehearsal 7 p.m.	24	25
26 WOC Mtg. after worship	27	28 WOC Bible Study 10:15 a.m.	29	30		

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