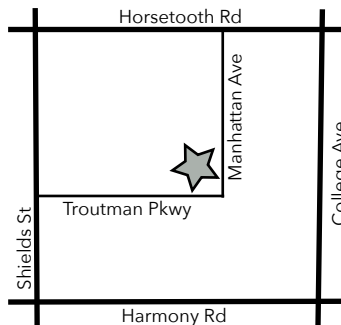


:: Summer Picnic

TODAY - Sunday: June 6th, 2021 from 4-7pm @ Troutman Park

Invite a friend and join us for our Summer Picnic! Grab some dinner and bring any games you might want to play at the park and join us for some great fellowship, dessert and lots of fun! See you there!



:: Biblical Distinctives

Tuesdays (starting June 8th) from 7-8:30pm @ the church (in the basement)

Biblical Distinctives will help you develop your own biblical convictions through the study of several important topics, while learning what MVC believes and how it influences our philosophy of ministry. This summer we will be meeting at the Remington building (in the basement) for this 10 week course. **Sign up for Biblical Distinctives at www.mvcchurch.org > Connect > Events > Biblical Distinctives.**



:: Parent/Child Dedications

Sunday: June 20th, 2021 during services @ the church

We will be having Parent/Child Dedications during services on Father's Day - Sunday: June 20th! This is a way to commit to raising your child in the ways of the Lord, and to be prayed for specifically by our Pastors and the body. **If you would like to dedicate your child, please send the names of both parents, the full name of your child and the service you would like to dedicate your child at on Sunday: June 20th to Megan at megan@mvcchurch.org.** Please sign up by June 13th.

:: VBS Volunteers Needed

Monday (June 21st)-Friday (June 25th) from 9am-12pm @ the church

VBS is right around the corner and we have many children signed up already! They are so excited to take part, especially this year. We really need volunteers! There are many levels of involvement (and we would love your help even if you can't help all week), so please consider signing up! It's loads of fun and a wonderful way to pour into the children in our church body.



:: Vacation Bible School - Register NOW!

VBS "Treasured" will be June 21st-25th! VBS is a blast for the kiddos - we spend the week playing games, creating crafts, singing songs about Jesus and learning more about Him - all in a fun and interactive environment! This year's theme is Treasured - Discovering You're Priceless to God! **Register at www.mvcchurch.org/vbs.** We are also looking for dance team members for the week of VBS.



Kevin Wolfe

June 6th, 2021

1 John - Abiding in Christ

OUR ADVOCATE

(John 2:1-6)

We have an advocate in Jesus when we sin! (vs. 1-2)

What is an advocate?

Propitiation: where the holiness, justice, and mercy of God are all fully satisfied in Christ when He completely absorbed the wrath we deserved on the cross.

(Ephesians 2:1-6, Romans 3:23-26, 1 John 4:9-10)

Knowing our advocate produces a desire to obey and follow Him! (vs. 3-6)

(John 17:3, Jeremiah 9:23-24)

DISCUSSION & REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- What stood out to you most from the message? Why?
- What is your "natural" or fleshly response to sin when you feel conviction? (i.e. blame other, justify, minimize, excuse it away)
- How does understanding that Jesus is our advocate draw you near to Him and help you turn away from sin?
- How is Jesus your Advocate? What has He accomplished for you to be your perfect advocate before the Father?