



# Little Bells...

... your weekly update to The Chimes

## Church Re-Opening Delayed

For the safety our members and staff, Montgomery Presbyterian Church shall remain closed for in-person Worship, meetings, and other activities until such time that:

- The Public Health Emergency Level is 1 or 2 AND
- Non-Religious mass gatherings of 25 or more are permitted AND
- Session takes necessary action to reopen



While in-person Worship services are suspended, MPC will continue to record and post services on YouTube and the MPC Facebook page. The office remains open Tuesday-Thursday.

## Elder and Deacon for January

The Elder for December is Steve Thiel, 708-0594.  
The Deacon for December is Cheryl Mack, 317-294-8436.



## Annual Meeting of the Congregation

The annual congregational meeting will be held via Zoom on **Sunday, January 31st**. Instructions and links to participate will be forthcoming, but are not available yet. It will run similarly to the congregational meeting from back in September.

## Baptism of the Lord Sunday — Pick Up Your Rock

In preparation for this Sunday's celebration of "Rock Sunday" during worship, please stop by MPC to pick up the rock we have for each of you from the bowl under the awning at the main entrance to the Gathering Room.



## Per Capita/Initial Offering for 2021

**For 2021, the Per Capita assessment for the Presbytery of Cincinnati is \$35 per person.** Multiply this amount by each church member of your household to determine your correct contribution. The suggested amount for the Initial Offering is \$5.00.

*\*Per Capita is a set amount of money (apportionment) per member that congregations pay to the larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Every Presbyterian shares in the benefit of the PC(USA)'s system of government, so every Presbyterian is asked to share the expenses associated with coordinating and performing the functions of that system. Congregations (through their sessions) pay an annual amount of money per church member — per capita apportionment — to their presbyteries. The annual per capita amount is a combined request from a congregation's presbytery, synod, and the General Assembly — based on their respective budgets for the coming year.*

## Book Club



*The Red Tent* by Anita Diamant received the most votes for our next read, and Maris Ryan has volunteered to lead the discussion. The next meeting will be set up via Zoom for **February 15** at 7PM. Please mark your calendars, and enjoy reading.

## Take Them a Meal

Thank you so much for supporting meals for the Reeseys; we have provided 420 meals to date! The calendar is expanded, with slots open from January 25 and going through the end of March. Your generosity in signing up is so appreciated. Please volunteer as you are able. We are taking meals in disposable pans/containers and leaving them on a card table in the garage to avoid passing germs from our homes to the Reeseys, and this seems to be working well. Please call Sue Poulos, 793-3966, with questions.  
<https://takethemeal.com/meals.php?t=QDZA3312>



## Mission Collection for January

Our monthly mission collection will resume in January, when we will collect items for the OGB food pantry. You may drop items off at the church or you mail in/drop off a check with "OGB food pantry" in the memo line. You may also donate online at [www.ogiveback.com](http://www.ogiveback.com).



## Aluminum Can Tabs Still Being Collected



**Pull for the House.** Update from Nancy Pacey: Thank you to the congregation for saving pop can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. A large container of tabs was delivered earlier this month, and they were much appreciated. Cincinnati is now home to the largest Ronald McDonald House in the USA. The money they get for the tabs helps them purchase some "extras" for the many families in their care. Thank you again, and keep saving those tabs. A collection bin can be found in the church's Gathering Room.