



# Little Bells...

... your weekly update to The Chimes

## Elder and Deacon for August

The Elder for August is Bill Koebel, 673-6596.  
The Deacon for August is Lois Silber, 791-1498.

## Kitchen Cleaning **This Friday Morning**

The kitchen crew will be back this **Friday morning (August 13)** at 9am to finish up cleaning cabinets, drawers and the fridge. All are welcome to join.

## Called Congregational Meeting August 22

Following Worship on **Sunday, August 22** there will be a called congregational meeting to vote on changing by-laws. Copies of proposed amendments were mailed/emailed last week, and copies are available to review in the Gathering Room.



## Adult CE Series Update



- On **August 15** Rev. Ben will lead us in understanding the *Spiritual Discipline of Reading the Bible*.
- On **August 22 and 29** Susie Lewis will lead *From Saul to Paul - What's in a Name?* The amazing conversion of Saul to Paul shows us Jesus's intent for our lives. What is the difference between being a believer and being a disciple?

## Updated Member Directories Are Now Available



Updated member directories were sent out electronically this week. Printed copies can be found in the Gathering Room for anyone who would like to take home a hard copy. If you would like a printed copy mailed to you, please contact Cathy at [mpc.office@mpchurch.net](mailto:mpc.office@mpchurch.net).

## Welcome All Singers

Rehearsals for the MPC choir begin **Wednesday, August 25** at 7:00 in the choir room. Anyone who loves to sing is invited to become a part of our music ministry. If you have any questions, please see Gay Piller.



## Next Book Club Selection



The MPC Book Club will be reading *The Hope of Glory: Reflections on the Last Words of Jesus from the Cross* by Jon Meacham. Beginning with "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do" and ending with "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit," Meacham captures for the reader how these words epitomize Jesus's message of love, not hate; grace, not rage; and, rather than vengeance, extraordinary mercy. We will be meeting online on **Monday, October 11**, at 7pm. If you would like to join in for the discussion, please contact Doug Rose so that he can include you in the Zoom link.

## Mission Collection for August



**LIGHTHOUSE** For August, we will collect underwear and socks for the teens at Lighthouse YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES Youth Services. Donations may be left in the Gathering Room.

## School Almost Back in Session for Skyward Academy

Skyward students and teachers will be returning in August. They will have a Parents Night Ice Cream social on **August 16**. Teachers reported back **August 9**, and students will have their first day on **August 19**.



*(Please note this means their weekday arrival and dismissal car traffic patterns will resume.)*

## Author Talk at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church

St Barnabas Episcopal Church (10345 Montgomery Rd.) invites the MPC congregation to an author talk, **Tuesday August 31** at 6:00pm. Chuck Burroughs has struggled his whole life with Central Auditory Processing Disorder and multiple other learning and mental disorders. He was raised with an unyielding father and teachers and classmates who didn't understand his intellectual limitations. He attended strict fundamentalist churches that promoted the idea of perfection before God, which sparked a severe bout of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder with which he still struggles today. Eventually, Burroughs taught himself to read, graduated from high school and college, married, had a family, and started a successful construction business. He studied many religious disciplines before finally finding his own understanding of the Bible. Amazingly, at the age of 81, Burroughs has written his memoir, which tells how he managed to tame his various disabilities, find joy in life, and learn to help others suffering from similar emotional and mental difficulties. Hear the author talk about his life at a presentation to include a brief video, readings from his book, and time for questions. Light refreshments will be served. **RSVP: Nancy Nolan at 513.304.4078 or [nolanarts@gmail.com](mailto:nolanarts@gmail.com)**