



Little Bells...

... your weekly update to The Chimes

Church Re-Opening Delayed

For the safety of 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 April

The Elder for April is Dick Reese, 513-675-3569.
The Deacon for April is Sandra Bowen, 513-236-7158.

Opportunities for Sunday Fellowship



Please join us for fellowship on the next two Sunday afternoons (**April 25 and May 2**) in the Hesford Courtyard at **2:00 pm**, hosted by Marilynn Hesford. We will have refreshments and conversation for about an hour. We will have chairs available.

*****ATTENDANCE IS LIMITED to 8 to 10 people so reservations are necessary. Please call Cathy in the office **BEFORE 2:00PM ON THURSDAY** to reserve your spot. We will continue to add Sunday afternoons (with the exception of Mother's Day) as long as members want to come. We will move inside to the gathering room if the weather does not cooperate. Therefore, masks are required.

Ladies Circle Meets May 6

Circle will meet on **Thursday, May 6** at 10:30 in the Gathering Room to discuss lesson 3 in our book on lamentations in the Bible. We will wear masks.



Mission Collection for April



In April we will collect feminine hygiene products for the women and girls at Bethany House. Please leave donations in the Gathering Room.



New Book Club Selection



Book Club will meet again on **Monday, June 7** at 7PM via Zoom to discuss *The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How our Government Segregated America* by Richard Rothstein. In this groundbreaking history of the modern American metropolis, Richard Rothstein, a leading authority on housing policy, explodes the myth that America's cities came to be racially divided through de facto segregation - that is, through individual prejudices, income differences, or the actions of private institutions like banks and real estate agencies. Rather, *The Color of Law* makes clear that it was de jure segregation - the laws and policy decisions passed by local, state, and federal governments - that actually promoted the discriminatory patterns that continue to this day.

Return of the Impromptu Gardeners

Impromptu Gardeners will begin our belated Spring cleanup on **Monday morning, April 26**. Bring gloves, weeding tools, and a bucket for weeds. Someone should be working beginning around 8:30. All are welcome to join us for as short or long a time as you desire!



Reminder About Attending Taping of Worship Services

Congratulations to those who are fully (or nearly fully) vaccinated against COVID-19, and thank you for notifying the office of your vaccination status. We are gradually welcoming back fully vaccinated members to attend filming of our Worship services. Taping typically occurs on Thursdays at 4:30 in the sanctuary.

Because space is limited and the number of people we may admit will vary depending on the service, please call or email the office to RSVP by 2:00 on the day of taping. Please also note that social distancing and mask wearing will be practiced, and there will be no Fellowship or coffee hour before or after the service.

National Drug Take-Back Event

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) is again sponsoring a national campaign to remove expired, unused, or unwanted controlled substances from home medicine cabinets. Montgomery Police partnering with the DEA will provide a venue for Montgomery residents who want to dispose of unwanted prescription drugs in a controlled and safe manner.



When: Saturday, April 24, 2021

Time: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Where: Montgomery Municipal Pool Parking Lot, 10150 Montgomery Rd

This is a free service, and drop-offs are anonymous. Tablets, capsules, and all other solid dosage forms will be collected. Intravenous solutions, injectables, and syringes will NOT be accepted.

Coming Soon: Montgomery Farmers Market

Opening day for the return of the outdoor Montgomery Farmers Market will be Saturday, May 1. Stay tuned for more details, or visit [Montgomery Farmers Market](http://www.montgomeryfarmersmarket.org) (www.montgomeryfarmersmarket.org).

