

MBC WEEKLY FOR DECEMBER 3, 2017

Your Money Will Not Go

By Rev. David W. Peters

A Poem for Stewardship Season

Your money will not go
 To our electric bill
 It will go to something more holy
 Than keeping the lights on
 So I can see the face of the
 Man who is telling me about his
 wife's death
 Four years, seven months, and three
 days ago

Your money will not go
 To buy the cookies for coffee hour
 It will go to something more holy
 Than these small sugary crumbles
 that just might be
 In the top three reasons
 A five year old boy
 Is excited to come to church today

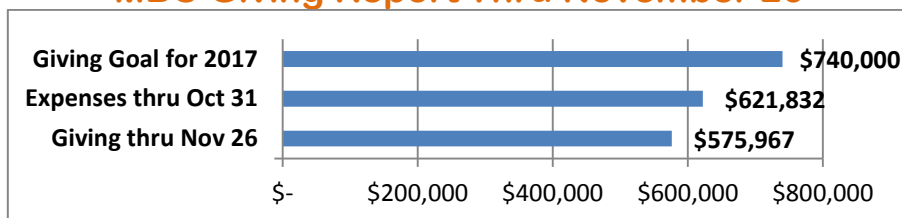
Your money will not go
 to fix that leaky spot on the roof
 It will go to something more holy
 Than that heavy set of timbers above
 our heads, oft unnoticed
 The only thing marking the division
 between
 God and the people of God
 And even that division is one we have
 made

Your money will not go
 to God
 It will go to something more holy
 Than my mental image of the One on
 the golden throne
 Bedecked with diamonds and strobe
 lights
 It will go to the community his son
 died for
 Who gather here to tell and live the
 story

REGULAR SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:30-12:00	Nursery available (Nursery/IL)
8:45	Worship (Sanctuary)
9:00	Prayer Group (Room C) - All are welcome for prayer
9:15-9:45	Cherub Choir for 3 years – 1st grade (Blue Room/IL) Children's Percussion Ensemble for 2nd-6th (Orange Room/IL)
9:45-10:45	Christian Education Classes for ALL ages
11:00	Worship (Sanctuary) Extended Session for 3 years – K (Nursery/IL)
12:00	Coffee Fellowship (Parlor)

MBC Giving Report Thru November 26



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3



The First Sunday of Advent

Youth leading worship

**Tickets for December 13 Festive Christmas Dinner
are available in the Parlor**

100th Anniversary Advent Books are available in the Parlor

P3 will meet today 9:00 AM Conference Room

Pastor Search Committee 12:15 PM Room A

Youth and Families Lunch 12:15 PM Tysons Corner Food Court

Deacon Meeting 12:15 PM Conference Room

Live Nativity during WinterFest Parade 3:00 PM mcleanwinterfest.org

LOVE OFFERING FOR LAYNE AND DIANNE SMITH - The deacons would like to invite you to contribute to a "love gift" to show our appreciation to Layne and Dianne for their ministry, leadership and friendship over the last year. **We will present this gift December 10. Deadline to contribute is TODAY December 3.** You may use the pew envelope; mark it "Love gift for Smiths".

NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10



The Second Sunday of Advent

**Rev. Dr. Layne Smith will preach
The Joyful Noise Handbell Choir will participate**

**Children's Worship with Pastor Katie
11:15 AM Yellow Room**

4th Quarter Congregational Business Meeting Noon Sanctuary

Endowment Trustees Meeting Following QCBM Mission Room

Feeding the Hungry 2:00 PM Kitchen/Bus

Prepare, package, and deliver food to people in need.

Contact Bob Licitra for more information.

(bobrebl@yahoo.com)

A "Keepsake Christmas" Event

5-6 PM Youth Hall

Bring the whole family to this Children's Ministry-sponsored event where the story of the nativity will guide our discussions and nativity set-making.

*Please **RSVP** to Pastor Katie to ensure we will have enough materials for your own nativity set!*



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 11 – Christmas Ladies' Dinner Out 6:30 PM

- Pulcinella Italian Host 6852 Old Dominion Drive, McLean
- Signup at www.mcleanbaptist.org Bring a \$5 gift to exchange.

Dec. 13 – Festive Christmas Dinner and Carol Sing 5:45 PM

- Pre-purchased tickets required and will go on sale Dec. 3
- \$10 ~ Children (age 10 and up) – Adults \$5 – Children under 10

Dec. 16 – Youth Progressive Dinner

Dec. 17 – Church Leadership Council Meeting 12:15 PM

Dec. 23 - MBC Young Adults HOLIDAY White Elephant Party! 6 PM

- Hosted by Bob & Leslie Barry 505 Kramer Drive, Vienna VA 22180
- Come join your fellow MBC young adults (high school graduate to 30ish)!
- BRING a WHITE ELEPHANT to exchange - something from home or the store (under \$10)!
- Please RSVP for planning purposes to leslie2barry@gmail.com.

Dec. 27 – Last day for 2017 stock contributions

**100th Anniversary Christmas Ornaments are available in the Parlor.
Please, one per family. Additional ornaments can be purchased for \$5 each.**

Internationals English Classes

Mondays (Tuesdays if Monday is a Federal holiday) 9:30 AM-Noon
Contact Marilyn Scott (marilyngf@gmail.com or 571-214-3339) or
Pastor Katie if you can help.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays 10:15 – 11:30 AM Mission Room Taught by Beth Harvey

WEDNESDAY EVENING EVENTS – DECEMBER 6

ENGLISH WRITING AND SPEAKING LAB (FOR ADULTS) 5:30-7 PM Room C

HOMEWORK LAB (FOR CHILDREN/YOUTH) 5:30-7 PM Children's Wing/IL

CHURCH FELLOWSHIP DINNER 5:45-6:30 PM Fellowship Hall

\$7 ~ Children (age 10 & up) – Adult \$4 ~ Children (Under 10)

\$25 ~ Family maximum **MENU** – Sloppy Joes, Buns, Seasonal Vegetable,
Garden Salad, Rolls, Dessert

TAIZÉ EVENING PRAYER 6:30-7:15 PM Parlor

SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:15-8 PM Choir Room

HANDBELL REHEARSAL 8-9 PM Sanctuary

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Will not meet Thursday Saturday at 2-4 PM MBC Fellowship Hall

DECEMBER 24 - NO 8:45 AM *Worship, Children's Music, or Christian Ed*
9:30 AM – Nursery 9:45 AM – Carol Sing-Along 11:00 AM – Worship

DECEMBER 31 - NO 8:45 AM *Worship or Children's Music*
9:30 AM – Nursery 9:45 AM – Christian Education 11:00 AM – Worship

For additional information about events, please email staff@mcleanbaptist.org

Christmas Eve Worship

7:00 PM - *This is a family friendly service with traditional Christmas music, pipe organ, choir, handbells, and communal candle lighting*

11:00 PM - *Candlelight Worship with The Lord's Supper*

SHARE IS OPEN WEDNESDAYS AND SATURDAYS

9:30 AM–Noon IL www.shareofmclean.org (check website for closures)
Like us on Facebook SHARE of McLean 703-229-1414

SHARE Holiday Celebration December 9 MBC Fellowship Hall

Adopt a SHARE client or family. We will give you genders, ages, and wishes and your group can collect all the items for that person or family. Email Chris Wilbur at Sharewishes@gmail.com.

Gift cards give the gift of choice! Walmart, Target, Giant, and Safeway gift cards are our most requested gifts. Donate gift cards in \$25 denomination to help us fulfill Wishes. Please label the gift cards "Holiday Celebration."

Gift cards and 'Wishes' can be dropped off at SHARE (MBC Children's Wing/IL), on Wednesday, Dec. 6 or given to Suellen in the church office. The **DEADLINE** for Holiday Celebration Gift cards and Wishes is **Thursday, Dec. 7 from 11 AM-6 PM** in the MBC Fellowship Hall. Please be sure that all items are clearly marked.

Furniture Volunteers Desperately Needed - Contact Stew slingley@aol.com