



Thank You for Joining Us Today!



Please take a moment to sign the Welcome Book, located in your pew. Members, please greet any guests seated near you. If you're joining us virtually, sign our digital book at mrcc.org/welcomebook

Please Join Us For First Cup

First Cup is an opportunity for newcomers to learn more about MRCC

**Every Sunday at 9:35 a.m.
in the Welcome Center**

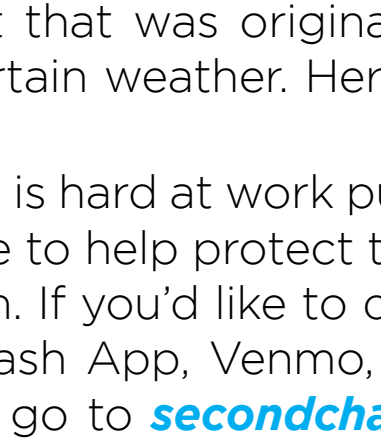
Visit mrcc.org/firstcup
for more details



WELCOME MUGS AND BASKETS

These simple gifts are available at Information Central. Mugs are intended for first-time guests to MRCC, while baskets are for newcomers to your neighborhood.

Deliver a mug or basket today!



FEATURED ITEM

**GIVE BLOOD
SAVE A LIFE**

**TODAY
7:30 - 12:30 SUMMIT**

MINISTRY UPDATES

SECOND CHANCES PROVIDING SHELTER AND SUPPLIES FOR THE STORM

CR is postponing their 20th anniversary event that was originally schedule for tonight, Jan. 23, due to the uncertain weather. Here's what to know:

Our incredible ministry partner Second Chances is hard at work purchasing and delivering tents, heaters, and more to help protect the homeless community during the coming storm. If you'd like to donate, you can do so at their website or via Cash App, Venmo, or Paypal. To volunteer in this excellent ministry, go to secondchancesthrft.org/volunteer.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY ANNIVERSARY POSTPONED // NEXT FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

CR is postponing their 20th anniversary event that was originally schedule for tonight, Jan. 23, due to the uncertain weather. Here's what to know:

- The event will move to next Friday, Jan. 30. Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. (RSVP to celebraterecovery@mrcc.org) with worship and testimony to follow at 7:00, both in Fellowship Central. All are welcome.
- Tonight's CR gathering will be Open-share Groups only at 7:00 PM. No dinner, no childcare, no large group worship. The building will close at 8:15.

SUPPLIES FOR VILLAGE OF HOPE

A mission team is heading to Village of Hope Orphanage in Ghana, west Africa on January 28th and some supplies are needed:

- Band-Aids (regular size)
- Neosporin (small)
- Dry erase markers
- Pencils (sharpened, new)

Supplies can be dropped in the tub at Information Central by Mon. Jan. 26. Monetary donations can be given to Aubrie Ross, Judi Lashley, or via Venmo @heartbeat4hope.

Thank you so much for the countless ways you have encouraged, loved, and supported the children at Village of Hope over the years!

FOSTER & ADOPTION MINISTRY CELEBRATION AND INFO NIGHT // SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Our Foster and Adoption Ministry warmly invites you to a special celebration honoring and supporting foster and adoptive families past, present, and future. Join us on February 8 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in A101 as we gather in the spirit of James 1:27, a reminder of God's call to care for orphans and widows. This will be a relaxed evening of pizza, ice cream, and community. It is open to anyone who is currently fostering, has adopted, or would like to know more about becoming a foster parent or volunteer. Whether you're deeply involved or just beginning to explore, we'd love for you to come! Please RSVP to ministry director Janet Irvin at mrccfoster@gmail.com so we can plan for food.

CLASSIC MOVIES CLUB // FIRST MEETING ON FEBRUARY 6

Do you have a love for classic movies? If so, join us for First Friday Classics, a monthly book-club-style group for viewing and discussing classic movies. Movies from our curated list will be viewed at the home of an MRCC member with an excellent home theater set up. Our first meeting will be the evening of February 6th and we have about five more spots available. Contact Tom Poteet at thomaspoteet@yahoo.com for more details.

MERGE: A MARRIAGE PREP CLASS // BEGINS MARCH 11

Our annual marriage prep program called MERGE will begin March 11, 2026. This fun and engaging program is for newlyweds, engaged, and seriously dating couples. We will meet on Wednesday evenings seven times in March and April. Pre-registration is required. All the details and registration link are at mrcc.org/merge.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

WOMEN'S WINTER BRUNCH: Join us for "Loved Beyond Measure" on Saturday, February 21, at 10 a.m. in S1 in The Summit. Speakers are Alyssa McCook and Brittany McKnight, and the cost is \$15. Sign up at mrcc.org/women or at the table in the lobby.

THREADS OF COMPASSION: All women who like to crochet or knit are invited to come the first Sunday of each month to A120 from 2:30-4 p.m. to make scarves for survivors of sexual violence. Special crochet classes will be offered at the February 1 Work Day. Space is limited; signups are at mrcc.org/women.

SWAG BUNCO NIGHT for this Saturday has been rescheduled for Saturday, January 31, 5:30-7:30 p.m. (weather permitting). All single women are invited and may sign up at mrcc.org/women.

MEN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

CARPENTER'S APPRENTICE KICKOFF BREAKFAST: Saturday, January 31 from 9:00 to 11:30. Last year, well over 100 men participated our first Carpenter's Apprentice cohort. Now, we're getting ready to launch round two of this 10-week program aimed at building a virtuous life and forging connections with other Christian men. All men are invited to learn more about Carpenter's Apprentice as we gather for coffee, breakfast, and a kickoff keynote from Phil Klutts on January 31.

3-ON-3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT: Saturday, February 28. Men, women, and teens are invited to form teams for this 3-v-3 tourney. The cost is \$100 per team (max of six people per team) and we'll have three different divisions for teams of varying skill and competitiveness. Contact Wes Becknell at wbecknell@gmail.com with questions.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

MEETS EVERY FRIDAY

6 PM - DINNER
1ST TIME GUESTS EAT FREE!!!

7 PM - LARGE GROUP
A TIME OF WORSHIP FOLLOWED BY PERSONAL TESTIMONY OR RECOVERY LESSON

8 PM - OPEN SHARE GROUPS
GENDER AND ISSUE SPECIFIC SMALL GROUPS

9 PM - COMMON GROUNDS
FELLOWSHIP, COFFEE & DESSERT

PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE
FREE CHILDCARE 6:45-9:15

MRCC.ORG/CR
celebraterecovery@mrcc.org

SERMON INFO

BELIEVE IN ME
A ROADMAP FOR RESILIENT FAITH

This year we're leaning into the question of faith—what it is, why it's hard, and why it still matters. During the Believe in Me series, we've taken an honest look at some of the toughest questions surrounding belief, from science and suffering to AI and doubt. Wherever you find yourself—testing faith, clinging to it, or somewhere in between—our hope is that this conversation is both illuminating and equipping.

In this message, Phil confronts one of the most common barriers to belief: the dark chapters of Christian history. What do we do with that history? How does it affect belief today? And how should followers of Jesus respond? Ultimately, this message points us back to the defining call of Christianity—one radical practice that sets the Jesus way apart from every other worldview: Love your enemies.

OTHER NOTES

Kingdom kids

Bible Hour during our 8:15 service, for children 3 years - Kindergarten in the Journey Land Game Room.

CREATIONSTATION

Bible Hour during our 10:45 service, for children 3 years - Kindergarten in the Preschool Multipurpose Room.

If you're ever in the mood for a podcast while washing dishes, doing laundry, taking a walk, or on a drive, you can find **MRCC Sunday Morning Sermons** on all major podcast platforms! It is also a great way to re-listen or catch up on our weekly messages!

You can also access study materials based on these lessons for small groups at mrcc.org/dq and for families at mrcc.org/familydevo or on the MRCC App.

HEARING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Assistive listening devices are available for use in the auditorium at every worship service. Request a receiver at the AV booth.

BUILDING SCHEDULING FORMS

If you would like to request a room in the building(s) for an activity:

- Go to mrcc.org/buildingreservation to request space for an activity or event
- Go to mrcc.org/teampractice to request gym space for team practice

Contact mackenzi.verner@mrcc.org with any questions.

STAY CONNECTED & INFORMED

Watch live or previous broadcasts of worship, sermons, or WOW at YouTube.com/memorialroad.

Download the MRCC App (for iOS and Android) for easy access to all our resources. Check it out today!

FAMILY UPDATES

01-25-26

Washed Anew

We Celebrate The Following Baptism:

Brian Amyx, one of former security guards, who was baptized on Jan. 21.

Welcome to the Family

Information for the Updates can be directed to sally.massey@mrcc.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Phyllis Rhodes will have lung surgery on February 3 to remove a cancerous tumor.

Pat Sheehan's back surgery went smoothly on January 21; he is now at home recovering.

Ron Beverly is at home recovering from neck surgery. His wife, **Penny**, also requests prayers as his caregiver.

Carolyn McMillan has requested prayers for her daughter, Andrea, who has transferred to downtown Baptist and is being treated for a collapsed lung.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to...

Jaclyn Buggeln and family in the death of her grandfather, former MRCC member Jack Rowe, who passed away January 18.

The **Suzi Siorek family** and the **Cindi Bryan family**, as well as the **Lindi Stangeland, Anna Fogle, Carol Loeber and Melissa Labeth families** on the death of their parents and grandparents, **Earl & Maxine Hammer. Maxine** passed Thursday, January 15 and **Earl** passed Saturday, January 17. They are planning a private family service.

Denise McGinnis and Renee Young on the passing of their father, Bob Diller, on January 13. Services were, January 20 in Pueblo, CO at the Southwest Church of Christ.

Naomi Patton on the death of her husband, **Peter Patton**, last November 13. His service will be in conjunction with OC Remembers on January 25.

SHOWERS

CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER - The wedding shower for **Jake Gully** & Hallie Epps, son of **Jay & Jeanine Gully**, at the home of Bobbie Walker. There is no current plan to reschedule. They are registered at Zola and Amazon.

Wedding shower for **Gina Arter & Jaxton Boyd**, daughter of **Neil & Joni Arter**, will be on February 1, from 2:00-3:30 p.m. in the MRCC Welcome Center. They are registered at The Knot.

THANK YOU

We can't thank you enough for the love and support you showed our family. God really used you to take care of us, and it meant so much! Love, **Tyler & Heather Yancey**

Ways to give

Prayer Requests

mrcc.org
[mrcc app](http://mrcc.org/app)
text amount to:
884.311.2333

We would love to pray for you. Submit your prayer requests at mrcc.org/prayer, or on the MRCC App.

Weekly Budget: \$120,053 | Avg Weekly Offering: \$138,948 YTD Budget Surplus: \$56,684