



*Mt. Vernon UMC*  
Champaign, IL  
1874 - 2024

*Sep 8, 2024*

*Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

## ENTRANCE

### PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

Part of the Family

### GREETINGS


### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING PRAYER

## PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

### PSALM

758. Psalm 27:1-6

*Refrain*<sup>1</sup> :

I saw the light, I saw the light,  
No more darkness, no more night.

*Final Refrain* :

I saw the light, I saw the light,  
No more darkness, no more night.  
Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight  
Praise the Lord, I saw the light

### HYMN

I Saw The Light

### OPENING PRAYER<sup>2</sup>

Ruler of all the earth,  
Creator of the universe,  
Holy Triune God,  
From everlasting to everlasting, you are Lord.  
Your word is a lamp for my feet,  
a light on my path.

**O God, show us your light.**

The Lord is my light and my salvation—  
whom shall I fear?

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<sup>1</sup> Hank Williams. Sr. *I Saw the Light*. © 1948. Renewed 1975 Sony/ATV Acuff  
Rose Music. CCLI Song # 45064. CCLI License # 21891763

<sup>2</sup> Psalm 119:105; Psalm 27:1; 1 John 1:5; Matthew 5:16 (NIV)

**O God, show us your light.**

God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.

**O God, show us your light.**

Jesus said, "let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

**O God, show us your light so that we may share your light with the world. Amen.**

HYMN 

This Little Light Of Mine

NOISY OFFERING

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSE 

**Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

**Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

**Incline Thine ear to us,  
and grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

GOSPEL

John 1:1-5

MESSAGE

*Seeing the Light*

Tim Manard

PEACE & OFFERING

DOXOLOGY - #95 

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God for all that love has done;**

**Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

*THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION*  
CONFESSION & PARDON  
GREAT THANKSGIVING - #17  
HOLY COMMUNION  
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*SENDING FORTH*

**BLESSING**

God said "Let there be light". See the light.  
Jesus is the light of the world. Receive the light.  
God's Holy Spirit fills you with light. Share the light.

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face to shine upon you  
and be gracious to you;  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you  
and give you peace.  
Go in peace.

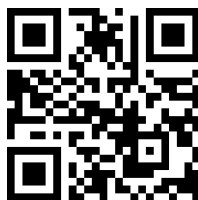
**CANDLES** 

672. God Be With You, v1

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## Every Day With Jesus

This year we follow a Bible reading plan called “Every Day With Jesus”, available at <https://tinyurl.com/539h9r7t>. With four short readings each day, by the end of the year, we will have read the entire Bible.



2024-09-08	Job 22:1–24:12	Psalms 105:16–27	Proverbs 21:25–26	1 Corinthians 9:13–10:5
2024-09-09	Job 24:13–27:23	Psalms 105:28–36	Proverbs 21:27–28	1 Corinthians 10:6–24
2024-09-10	Job 28:1–30:8	Psalms 105:37–45	Proverbs 21:29–31	1 Corinthians 10:25–11:16
2024-09-11	Job 30:9–31:40	Psalms 106:1–12	Proverbs 22:1–2	1 Corinthians 11:17–34
2024-09-12	Job 32:1–33:33	Psalms 106:13–23	Proverbs 22:3–4	1 Corinthians 12:1–20
2024-09-13	Job 34:1–35:16	Psalms 106:24–31	Proverbs 22:5–6	1 Corinthians 12:21–13:13
2024-09-14	Job 36:1–37:24	Psalms 106:32–39	Proverbs 22:7–8	1 Corinthians 14:1–25



Cunningham Children's Home is an exemplary child welfare and educational services agency providing caring support and therapeutic intervention to more than

977 youth and families each year through comprehensive programs including residential treatment, special education and community-based services.

To learn how to help, visit [cunningham.org/get-involved/](https://cunningham.org/get-involved/) and [cunningham.org/give/](https://cunningham.org/give/).

## Ministry & Discipleship Opportunities

Praise Band Practice	Every Sunday 10am
Cunningham Children's Home Speaker	9/8
<a href="https://www.midwestmission.org/blessing-bag-pack">https://www.midwestmission.org/blessing-bag-pack</a>	9/12,9/13
Salt & Light, various opportunities	Ongoing
Helping Hands Donation	10/6
World Communion Day & Crop Walk	10/6

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## Recent and Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries:

Makenna Barnes, Ruth Zahnd, Diane Adams, Katie Colon,  
Rob & Diane Adams

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**For more information** about these and other activities, check your email for *This Week at Mt. Vernon*. If you don't receive *This Week at Mt. Vernon*, please let us know.

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God calls Mt Vernon UMC to:

Love God & neighbor as Jesus taught

Learn together of God's love and grace

Serve others by using our God given gifts and talents

Be witnesses of our faith in God through Jesus Christ to all the world!.

To learn more, visit [facebook.com/MtVChamp](https://facebook.com/MtVChamp)

If you would like a prayer, a visit, a meal, to have Holy Communion brought to your home, or have any other need, please contact any church member or Pastor Rob ([217-751-4400](tel:217-751-4400), [pastor@mtvernon-umc.org](mailto:pastor@mtvernon-umc.org)).