

Mt Vernon UMC

Oct 27, 2024

ENTRANCE

GREETINGS ANNOUNCEMENTS OPENING PRAYER¹

Faithful Redeemer,

you are the beginning and ending of all things.

You promise to wipe away every tear,

that death and mourning will be no more.

You make your home among us,

and abide with us as our God.

Teach us to live as the saints you call us to be, that we may truly be your people,

living and doing your will,

in the name of Jesus, who is the Christ. Amen.

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

701. When We All Get to Heaven

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE CALL TO WORSHIP

The earth and all that is in it belongs to the Holy One.

Look, here is our God, for whom we have waited.

This is the Holy One, for whom we have waited.

Let us be glad and rejoice in our salvation.

Who shall ascend the hill of the Holy One?

And who shall stand in this holy place?

We come, seeking the face of God.

HYMN

710. Faith of Our Fathers

¹ Covert art: Elim Lutheran Church, https://www.elimpetaluma.org/. Opening prayer, call to worship, confession, and peace: *The Abingdon Worship Annual*, edited by Mary J. Scifres and B.J. Beu, Copyright © Abingdon Press.

SCRIPTURE PSALM

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9 755. Psalm 24

O when the saints go marching in, O when the saints go marching in,

(reading: Psalm 24:1-6 form #755)

How I want to be in that number, When the saints go marching in.

2 O when the sun refused to shine, O when the sun refused to shine, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the sun refused to shine.

3 O when they crown him Lord of all, O when they crown him Lord of all, O Lord, I want to be in that number when they crown him Lord of all.

NOISY OFFERING CHILDREN'S MESSAGE CANDLE LIGHTING

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Joyce Kerkstra, April 11, 1934 - March 31, 2024 Phil Frances, February 16, 1926 - May 29, 2024 Colette (Ramage) Thiele, April 8, 1945 - July 24, 2024 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God;

he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

GOSPEL MESSAGE John 11:32-44

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

INVITATION

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Patient, Forgiving Spirit, we come seeking your face.

We hold on to ancient angers and hurts, and refuse to believe that you alone can make all things new.

Like Mary and Martha, we have forgotten your promises of eternal life.

Like the crowd that mourned for Lazarus, we have not believed that we would see your glory.

Forgive our unbelief, O God.

Bring us back, and restore our trust in you.

The Holy One shows us a vision of a new heaven and a new earth, where everyone will live in peace and blessing. Trusting in God's promise to wipe away all our tears, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Glory to God. Amen.

PEACE & OFFERING

Rejoicing in the love of the one for whom we wait, let us exchange signs of Christ's peace:

May the peace of Christ be with you, today and always.

May the peace of Christ be with you, today and always.

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION CLOSING PRAYER²

Eternal God, hope of all who trust in you, in Christ you weep with those who mourn even as you cry out in triumph over the grave.

Unbind us from sin, release us from captivity, and with Lazarus, raise us from death to life, so that we may join that great crowd of saints who forever sing praise to your holy name;

through Christ, the resurrection and the life. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

BLESSING

"May God wipe every tear from your eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

CANDLES

I'll Fly Away

COMMISSION

Go into the world, by the power of God's Spirit.

Tell the world that death is defeated by the love of Jesus Christ.

Show the world that God abides with them.

Go in peace.

² Office of Theology and Worship, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Every Day With Jesus

This year we follow a Bible reading plan called "Every Day With Jesus". With four short readings each day, we will have read the entire Bible by the end of the year.

2024-11-03	Jeremiah	Psalm	Proverbs	2 Timothy
	34:12–36:26	119:78–81	26:1–3	2:1–21
2024-11-04	Jeremiah	Psalm	Proverbs	2 Timothy
	36:27–38:28	119:82–88	26:4–6	2:22–3:17
2024-11-05	Jeremiah	Psalm	Proverbs	2 Timothy
	39:1–41:18	119:89–95	26:7–9	4:1–22
2024-11-06	Jeremiah 42:1–44:14	Psalm 119:96–100	Proverbs 26:10–12	Titus 1:1–2:8
2024-11-07	Jeremiah 44:15–47:7	Psalm 119:101–104	Proverbs 26:13–16	Titus 2:9–3:15
2024-11-08	Jeremiah	Psalm	Proverbs	Philemon
	48:1–49:6	119:105–108	26:17–19	1–25
2024-11-09	Jeremiah	Psalm	Proverbs	Hebrews
	49:7–50:23	119:109–112	26:20–23	1:1–2:9
2024-11-10	Jeremiah	Psalm	Proverbs	Hebrews
	50:24–51:32	119:113–120	26:24–26	2:10–3:11
2024-11-11	Jeremiah	Psalm	Proverbs	Hebrews
	51:33–52:16	119:121–128	26:27–28	3:12–4:13
2024-11-12	Jeremiah	Psalm	Proverbs	Hebrews
	52:17–34	119:129–136	27:1–2	4:14–6:8
2024-11-13	Lamentations	Psalm	Proverbs	Hebrews
	1:1–3:12	119:137–140	27:3–4	6:9–7:10
2024-11-14	Lamentations	Psalm	Proverbs	Hebrews
	3:13–66	119:141–144	27:5–6	7:11–8:6
2024-11-15	Lamentations	Psalm	Proverbs	Hebrews
	4:1–5:22	119:145–152	27:7–8	8:7–9:14
2024-11-16	Ezekiel	Psalm	Proverbs	Hebrews
	1:1–3:15	119:153–160	27:9–10	9:15–10:10

Ministry & Discipleship Opportunities

Clock Change Today! (Oops!)
All Saint's Sunday Today!
Helping Hands Today!
Charge Conference Rantoul UMC, 2pm, 11/3
SPRC Canceled 11/6
Church Council 11/13

Recent and Upcoming Birthdays:

Noah Arbuckle, Tom Lalley, Rod Cameron, Jane Lalley, Three Birthday Buddies: James Sherman. Zea Arbuckle. Allison Slocum

Upcoming Anniversaries:

Nick & Nat Free

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!.
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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, pastor@mtvernon-umc.org).