



Peter and John in the Temple.

Acts 3: 1-10

“Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee:
In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.”

Acts 3: 6.

Mt Vernon UMC

April 14, 2024

Third Sunday Of Easter

ENTRANCE

GREETINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OPENING PRAYER¹

Creator of the universe, you made the world in beauty, and restore all things in glory through the victory of Jesus Christ.

We pray that, wherever your image is still disfigured by poverty, sickness, selfishness, war and greed, the new creation in Jesus Christ may appear in justice, love, and peace, to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

↑²PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING 

Peter and John Went To Pray

1 Peter and John went to pray;
they met a lame man on the way.
He asked for alms and held out his palms,
and this is what Peter did say:

2 "Silver and gold have I none,
but what I have I give to you.
In the name of Jesus Christ
of Nazareth, rise up and walk!"

3 He went walking and jumping and praising God,
walking and jumping and praising God.
"In the name of Jesus Christ

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² ↑ == "Please stand in body or in spirit."

of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

↑OPENING HYMN 

2115. Christ Has Risen

SCRIPTURE

Acts 3:1-10

3:1 Now Peter and John were going up to the temple for the time of prayer at three in the afternoon. 2 A man who was lame from birth was being carried there. He was placed each day at the temple gate called Beautiful, so that he could beg from those entering the temple. 3 When he saw Peter and John about to enter the temple, he asked for money. 4 Peter, along with John, looked straight at him and said, "Look at us." 5 So he turned to them, expecting to get something from them. 6 But Peter said, "I don't have silver or gold, but what I do have, I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and walk!" 7 Then, taking him by the right hand he raised him up, and at once his feet and ankles became strong. 8 So he jumped up and started to walk, and he entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God. 9 All the people saw him walking and praising God, 10 and they recognized that he was the one who used to sit and beg at the Beautiful Gate of the temple. So they were filled with awe and astonishment at what had happened to him.

↑HYMN 

154. All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

2088. Lord, I Lift Your Name On High

PSALM

741. Psalm 4

NOISY OFFERING

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS³

Eternal God, to whom all may come through your Son,
lay your healing hand upon all those who are sick.

Make your loving presence known
to those who are lonely.

Give your strengthening power
to those who are weak.

May those who lack be filled,
those who mourn be comforted,
those who worry be calmed
and those who seek forgiveness find it
in Jesus Christ; through whom we pray. Amen.

RESPONSE

Hear our prayer, O LORD,
hear our prayer, O LORD;
incline thine ear to us,
and grant us thy peace.

SERMON

Luke 6

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

OFFERING & PEACE

↑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.

LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

³ written by Michael Saward. Posted on The Jubilate Group website.
<http://www.jubilate.co.uk/liturgy/>
<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2014/06/prayer-for-others-healing-and-comfort.html>

SENDING FORTH

BLESSING⁴

(based on John 14:2-3, Romans 8:31, Philippians 4:7)

If the God who raised Jesus from the dead is for us, who
dare be against us?

**We can do all things
through Christ who strengthens us.**

Step out into the world in humble confidence:
there is nothing about to happen that God has not
foreseen,
and no situation where Christ will not be there ahead of
you,
preparing a place and an opportunity for you.
Thanks be to God.

The peace of God, which goes beyond all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge of God, and of Jesus Christ, God's Son.
And the blessing of God all-loving,
the Creator, Redeemer and Counsellor,
will be with you now and always. **Amen!**

POSTLUDE  Peter and John Went To Pray

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<http://www.bruceprewer.com/>,

<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/04/benediction-go-daringly.html>

Sermon Notes, Luke 6:12-_____:

1. What was Luke saying to early readers:

2. What Holy Spirit is saying to us today:

3. How to apply this:

Every Day With Jesus

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



2024-04-14	Deuteronomy 14:22–16:22	Psalms 43:1–5	Proverbs 10:26–27	Luke 8:26–56
2024-04-15	Deuteronomy 17:1–19:13	Psalms 44:1–8	Proverbs 10:28–30	Luke 9:1–22
2024-04-16	Deuteronomy 19:14–21:23	Psalms 44:9–16	Proverbs 10:31–32	Luke 9:23–45
2024-04-17	Deuteronomy 22:1–23:25	Psalms 44:17–26	Proverbs 11:1–4	Luke 9:46–62
2024-04-18	Deuteronomy 24:1–26:19	Psalms 45:1–5	Proverbs 11:5–6	Luke 10:1–24
2024-04-19	Deuteronomy 27:1–28:14	Psalms 45:6–12	Proverbs 11:7–8	Luke 10:25–11:4
2024-04-20	Deuteronomy 28:15–68	Psalms 45:13–17	Proverbs 11:9–11	Luke 11:5–28

Upcoming Ministry & Discipleship Opportunities

Noisy Offering (IGRC Camping)

Today!

Helping Hands Donation

5/5

Zoom and Prayer (ask Rob for link)

8pm, Tuesdays

Dinner and Bible

6:30pm, Thursdays

From igrc.org/camping :

The Illinois Great Rivers Conference camping program is an extension of the local church's disciple-making process. Its mission is to connect people, nature, and Christ for the transformation of the world.

Recent and Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries:

Andra Jones, Cole Jones, Rob Dickinson,
Blake Drollinger, Mark Jones, Emily & David Arthur

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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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).