

## Mt Vernon UMC

March 20, 2022

Third Sunday In Lent

# GREETINGS<sup>1</sup> ANNOUNCEMENTS BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

#### CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>2</sup>

*LEADER*: A great teacher once said, "When Jesus Christ calls us, he bids us come and die". We are the people who have responded to this call.

LEFT SIDE: Through Christ, we want to die to the fears that keep us from loving.

RIGHT SIDE: Through Christ, we want to die to the stubbornness that keeps us from sharing our gifts.

LEFT: Through Christ, we want to die to seeking our own success and salvation in disregard for the good of all God's children.

RIGHT: This is God's promise, that if we die with Christ, we will also rise with Christ.

ALL: God be praised for the glorious promise of new life in Christ, Alleluia.

OT READING - Exodus 3:1-10

**HYMN** 

519. Lift Every Voice and Sing

PSALM - Psalm 63:1-8

**₩** HYMN

451. Be Thou My Vision

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cover art by John Stuart, www.stushieart.com.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ruth C. Duck, in *Bread for the Journey*, edited by Ruth C. Duck (Pilgrim Press, 1981), 35-36.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Dietrich Bonhoeffer, The Cost of Discipleship

# CHILDREN'S SERMON INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

#### LORD'S PRAYER - #895

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.

### 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.

NT READING - 1 Peter 3:13-18

GOSPEL - Luke 13:1-9

**SERMON** 

**CONFESSION & PARDON - UMH12** 

**OFFERING & PEACE** 

HOLY COMMUNION

**₩** HYMN

448. Go Down, Moses

#### CHARGE & BLESSING4

Go into the world in faith!

Trusting God to lead you, trusting people to receive you.

Go into the world with hope!

With God's presence before you and human dreams to carry you.

Go into the world with love!

Serving with those in whom Christ lives, and laboring for those for whom Jesus died.

Go in Faith, Hope, and Love!

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### 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

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).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> William R. Wolfe, in *Bread for the Journey*, edited by Ruth C. Duck (Pilgrim Press, 1981), 39.