



Wait for the Lord;
be strong
and take heart
and wait for
the Lord.

Psalm 27:14

Mt Vernon UMC

March 13, 2022

Second Sunday In Lent

GREETINGS¹

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

OPENING PRAYER²

Ashes have been smeared and sins have been confessed.

We follow our faithful Lord.

These times, they are troubling. This journey, it is hard.

We follow our faithful Lord.

It is God who sustains, not the temptations of this world.

We follow our faithful Lord.

In the Lord is our trust, our protection from harm.

We follow our faithful Lord.

Come, let us worship the One whom we serve.

We follow our faithful Lord.

 HYMN

Lord of the Dance #261

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me #361

PSALM - Psalm 27

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

NT READING - Philippians 3:14-4:1

GOSPEL - Luke 13:31-35

SERMON

¹ Cover art by John Stuart, www.stushieart.com.

² Stephen Fearing. *Wild and Precious Life*. <http://www.stephenmfearing.com>.

CONFESSION & PARDON³ - UMH12

O God, whose loving knows no ending, still you long to
gather us under your wings. For the words of hatred we
have spoken and the words of love we have withheld:

**O God, forgive us and
gather us under your wings of mercy.**

For the walls we have built up and the barriers we have
refused to take down,

**O God, forgive us and
gather us under your wings of mercy.**

For the greed that makes us frantic and the gifts we pass
by without seeing,

**O God, forgive us and
gather us under your wings of mercy.**

For what we have done and for what we have left undone,

**O God, forgive us and
gather us under your wings of mercy.**

Sisters and brothers, God's promise of mercy is sure. Rest
under God's sheltering wings and know that you are
home.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God. Amen.

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.

³<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/gathered-up-in-jesus/second-sunday-in-lent-year-c-lectionary-planning-notes/second-sunday-in-lent-year-c-liturgical-resources>

HOLY COMMUNION - UMH13 or UMH17

HYMN

Soon and Very Soon #706

CHARGE & BLESSING⁴

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all. **Amen.**

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!.

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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).

⁴ 2 Corinthians 13:13