



Mt Vernon UMC

October 22, 2023

# GREETINGS<sup>1</sup>

Grace and peace to you.

We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

## OPENING PRAYER

## PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING<sup>2</sup>

**Here I am to worship. Here I am to bow down.**

**Here I am to say that You're my God.**

**You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,**

**Altogether wonderful to me (2x)**

## CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>3</sup>

The goodness of the Lord passes before us;

**The name of the Holy One is proclaimed for all to hear.**

God is gracious and merciful to whomever God chooses;

**Show us your glory, O Lord, we pray!**

☐ <sup>4</sup>HYMN 

2040. Awesome God

☐ HYMN 

64. Holy, Holy, Holy

## SCRIPTURE

Exodus 33:12-23

## PSALM

819. Psalm 99

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<sup>1</sup> Silver Coin of Tiberius, Lugdunum, AD 14 - AD 37 1948.19.1043

<http://numismatics.org/collection/1948.19.1043>

Text 1 Thessalonians 1 (NIV), adapted.

<sup>2</sup> Tim Hughes. © 2000 Thankyou Music. CCLI 3266032 / 21891763

<sup>3</sup> written by Amy Loving, and posted on The Worship Closet.

<http://worshipcloset.com/words-for-worship-18th-sunday-after-pentecost/>

<sup>4</sup> ☐ Please stand as you are able.

NOISY OFFERING

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS<sup>5</sup>

God, you are the Alpha and Omega.

You were here before anything else existed and you will be here when everything and everyone has come to an end.

**Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**

Creating God, you spoke and the entire universe came into existence. You know the secrets of stars and dark holes and far flung galaxies.

**Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**

Lord of the Whole Creation, you are aware of each tiny creature on each planet. You pay attention to insects and birds and even us.

**Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**

God of History, you call us to be your people. You appointed us to take care of this planet Earth. You gave us rules for living well together. You call us to great things.

**Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**

Loving God you created each one of us. You know us by name and watch over us. You are with us when

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<sup>5</sup> Carolyn Brown. *Worshipping with Children*.

<http://worshipingwithchildren.blogspot.com/2011/09/year-proper-24-29th-sunday-in-ordinary.html>

everything is wonderful. And, you walk with us through our worst days.

**Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**

God of Mercy,

You know everything we do, the good and the bad. And, still you do not give up on us. When we mess up, you call us back to yourself and you forgive us when we don't deserve it.

**Thine is the Kingdom and power and the glory forever.**

You are greater than we can understand, vaster than we can imagine, more amazing than we can put into words. So with awe and deep gratitude we pray...

**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.**

**RESPONSE** 

**Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

**Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

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

**□ SCRIPTURE**

**Matthew 22:15-22**

**SERMON**

## 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.**

## HOLY COMMUNION

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Eternal God, we give you thanks  
for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.  
Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### SENDING FORTH<sup>6</sup>

**The Lord bless you  
and keep you;  
the Lord make his face shine on you  
and be gracious to you;  
the Lord turn his face toward you  
and give you peace.**

### POSTLUDE

**This little light of mine, I'm goin' a let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm goin' a let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm goin' a let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. (2x)**

**Go in peace.**

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<sup>6</sup> Number 6:24-26 (NIV)

## Upcoming Ministry Opportunities

Noisy Offering (Canteen Run)	Today!
Scout Popcorn	Today!
Calendar Planning	Today!
Trunk or Treat	10/28
Charge Conference	10/29
Helping Hands Donation	11/5
All Saints Day	11/5

## Recent and Upcoming Birthdays

Adalynn Barnes, Jeff Darling,  
Lisa Heiken, Christa Steeves

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.

## Week 43 Reading Plan:

<b>Mon</b>	John 7-8	<b>Fri</b>	Luke 14-15
<b>Tue</b>	John 9:1-41, John 10:1-21		
<b>Wed</b>	Luke 10-11	<b>Sat</b>	Luke 16
	John 10:22-42		Luke 17:1-10
<b>Thu</b>	Luke 12-13	<b>Sun</b>	John 11

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, [pastor@mtvernon-umc.org](mailto:pastor@mtvernon-umc.org)).