



Mt Vernon UMC

January 2, 2022

New Year

PRELUDE - Turn, Turn, Turn
GREETINGS¹

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

CANDLE LIGHTING

CALL TO WORSHIP²

O Lord, our God,

How majestic is your name!

As we journey through life,

You are always with us.

In seasons of rejoicing,

We do not laugh alone.

In seasons of mourning,

We do not weep alone.

When the heavens open up,

We behold your glory.

O Lord, our God,

How majestic is your name!

 HYMN - #234

O Come, All Ye Faithful; v3,4,5,1

PSALM - Psalm 8

GOSPEL - Matthew 25:31-46

CHILDREN'S SERMON

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

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NT READING - Revelation 21:1-6a

OT READING - Ecclesiastes 3:1-17

SERMON

 HYMN - #130

God Will Take Care of You

CONFESSION & PARDON³

Holy God, we have forgotten how to love.

We praise you with our lips

but remain mute about the plight of others

who suffer from hunger,

and lack of shelter and warmth.

We lift up our eyes to delight in the starry heavens,

but turn our gaze from the homeless and the needy.

Open our heart to the welfare of others,

that we may live the promise

of a new heaven and a new earth.

Amen.

The psalmist asks, “What is humanity that you are mindful of us? Who are we that you care for us so deeply?”

In loving delight, you answer, “You are my children, whom I have made but a little below the angels. I have crowned you with glory and honor, and will always love you. Amen.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God. Amen.

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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 - UMH17

CHARGE & BLESSING⁴

Every season in life is a blessing from God.

We rejoice in God's blessings!

Every purpose under heaven can lead us into life.

We rejoice in God's purposes!

Every act of kindness to the least of God's children is a kindness done to Christ.

**We rejoice in the chance to make a difference
in our world.**

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).

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