



Mt Vernon UMC

January 15, 2023

Second Sunday after Epiphany

GREETINGS
ANNOUNCEMENTS
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES
OPENING PRAVER

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING 🎶

Our God is an awesome God He reigns from heaven above With wisdom, power, and love Our God is an awesome God! (2x)

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

To the little church just north of Champaign,

Established on County Road 900

To make a difference;

To those sanctified in Christ Jesus,

Saved to serve humbly and dependably;

To those called to be holy,

Serving as living witnesses of God's transforming grace:

Let us raise our voices with a joy

That rivals heaven's angels

To praise our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

HYMN 🎶

98. To God Be the Glory, Great Things He Hath Done!

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 49:1-7

HYMN 🎶

#77. How Great Thou Art

NOISY OFFERING

PSALM Psalm 40:1-11

CHILDREN'S SERMON

¹ Kwasi I. Kena, *The Africana Worship Book, Year A*, Valerie Bridgeman Davis and Safiyah Fosua, eds., (Discipleship Resources, 2006), 53. Adapted.

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.

RESPONSE 🎶

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Incline Thine ear to us,

and grant us Thy peace. Amen.

GOSPEL

John 1:29-34

RESPONSE 🎶

186. Alleluia

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

SERMON

HYMN 🎶

#133. Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

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.

CHARGE & BLESSING²

You are not lacking in any spiritual gift.
Go into our world surrounded
by the blessing of God,
the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the equipping of the Spirit,
to live and work as disciples who make disciples for the
transformation of the world. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE **M**

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, may the Shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, God be with you till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

Go in peace.

² Derek Weber, Discipleship Ministries, July 2022. Adapted.

Upcoming Ministry Opportunities

Noisy Offering (Cunningham Children's Home) Today!

UMM Sausage Sale See Dave or Bob

Helping Hands Donation () 2/5

Re-decorate sanctuary Today!

Recent and Upcoming Birthdays

20 - Carolyn Cain

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 3 Reading Plan:

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Job	Gen	Gen	Gen	Gen	Gen	Gen
40-42	12-15	16-18	19-21	22-24	25-26	27-29

Next Sunday:

LSA 9:1-4; Ps 27:1, 4-9; 1 Cor 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23

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).