



Mt Vernon UMC¹

June 30, 2024

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

GREETINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING² 🎵🎵

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)

¹ Cover art: <https://revandy.org/2015/09/30/day-nineteen-with-mark-mark-521-43/>

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OPENING PRAYER³

Healing God, we come together in our brokenness,
to call to you in your mercy, to make us whole again.

Wholeness—giving God, listen to our prayers, we pray.

Restoring God, we gather to worship you, even as
we hopefully seek to be renewed and restored again.

God, our Quiet-Center, listen to our prayers this day.

Foundational God, we come to praise and thank you!

In the depths of your Holy Being we find peace and rest.

God – our Beginning and our End, we hope always in you.

Amen.

HYMNS

3049. Wait for the Lord

571. Go Make of All Disciples

PSALM

848. Psalm 130

SCRIPTURE

2 Samuel 1:1,11-16

NOISY OFFERING

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

LORD'S PRAYER - #895

RESPONSE

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Incline Thine ear to us,

and grant us Thy peace. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 8: 7-15

Mark 5: 21-43

HYMN

2176. Make Me a Servant

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MESSAGE

Allen Stout

HYMN

593. Here I Am Lord

CONFESSION & PARDON⁴

God calls us in our lives to take a risk, to be like the woman in the gospel who reaches out to Jesus for healing for herself; or the father who risks the scorn of others to bring Jesus to his dying daughter.

Let us ponder for a moment the places in our lives where we resist turning to God for healing and change.

(silence)

When we resist your call to open our hearts to allow the freshness of your grace to enter:

God have mercy.

When we close our eyes to your new and unexpected possibilities of healing and reconciliation.

Christ have mercy.

When we let fear overwhelm us, and cling to the security of what we know instead of risking new steps toward your freedom and justice:

God have mercy.

God's mercies are fresh every morning.

In Christ God offers forgiving grace and welcome into a community of trust, abundance, and hope.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Glory to God. Amen.

Let us give thanks for the mercy of God,
and pass the peace of Christ in community among us.

PEACE AND OFFERING

DOXOLOGY - #95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

⁴ Rev. Susan A. Blain. *Worship Ways*. <http://uccfiles.com/>

**Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

HOLY COMMUNION

BLESSING⁵

Wait for the LORD,

I wait with deep longing;

and in his word I stand, waiting in hope.

Hope in the LORD!

For with the LORD there is steadfast love,

and with the LORD is great power to save.

Go into the world with assurance, hope and promise:

the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ rest upon you –

and even unsettle you;

the love of God, creator and giver of life, embrace you –

and even confront you;

and the presence of the Holy Spirit encourage you –

and surprise you,

this day and all your days. **Amen**

CANDLES

2235-b. We Are Marching

Recent and Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries:

Sue Arbuckle, Brad Heiken, TJ Wirth, Carolyn O'Brian,

Dan & Mary Kae Sherman, Joe & Meredith Barnes

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).

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