



Mt Vernon UMC

March 19, 2023

Fourth Sunday in Lent

GREETINGS¹

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING 🎵

207. Prepare the Way of the Lord.

Prepare the way of the Lord,

and all people will see the salvation of our God. (2x)

CALL TO WORSHIP²

Come and hear what God has done --

God has listened to all our prayer.

When we pass through the torrent of deep troubles,

God turns the sea to dry land.

When we are tangled in the web of life,

God does not let our feet slip.

When we are tested as silver is tried,

God keeps us in the land of the living.

When we go through fire and water,

God brings us to a spacious place.

Come and hear what God has done --

God surrounds us with steadfast love.

HYMN 🎵 291. He Never Said a Mumblin' Word

FIRST READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

HYMN 🎵

140. Great Is Thy Faithfulness

PSALM

Psalms 70

NOISY OFFERING

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² from *An Improbable Gift of Blessing* by Maren C. Tirabassi and Joan Jordan Grant, in *Extravagant Gratitude*, a liturgy from the Seekers Church: A Christian Community.

CHILDREN'S SERMON
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.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 13:21-32

SERMON

HYMN 🎵🎵

365. Grace Greater than Our Sin

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

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE 🎵🎵

Upcoming Ministry Opportunities

Noisy Offering (Cunningham Children's Home)

Today!

Helping Hands Donation (   \$)

4/2

Sign up as liturgist, acolyte, etc.

Every Sunday!

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday (BF Christian Church)

6pm 4/6

Good Friday Worship (Mt Vernon)

7pm 4/7

Saturday Outdoor Sunset Service (Mt Vernon)

7pm 4/8

Easter Sunrise Service (Mt Vernon)

6am 4/9

Easter Sunrise Service (Bellflower)

7am 4/9

Easter Breakfast & Egg Hunt (Bellflower)

8am 4/9

Easter Breakfast & Egg Hunt (Mt Vernon)

9am 4/9

Worship (Bellflower)

9am 4/9

Worship (Mt Vernon)

10:30 4/9

Recent and Upcoming Birthdays

Joe Barnes, Cory Oye, Luke Sherman, Bill Kirby

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.

Reading Plan

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Deut 24-27	Deut 28-29	Deut 30-31	Deut 32-34 Ps 91	Josh 1-4	Josh 5-8	Josh 9-12

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).