

We are alive in Christ. We love God, we care for one another,
and we help people here and around the world.

Sunday, February 19, 2017
Seventh Sunday After the Epiphany
11:00 a.m.

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Prayer Focus for the Week

Almighty God, we pray that our focus stays on the content of Your message
and not get hung up on its presentation.

Entrance

Prelude

*Entrance of the Light (Please rise as the acolytes bring the light into the sanctuary.)

Greeting

Solo: Cornerstone

*Opening Hymn: 545 The Church's One Foundation

*Opening Prayer

Proclamation and Response

Scripture Lesson: 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23

Children's Moment

Message: Building a Church

*Hymn of Response: 540 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

A Time of Prayer

Thanksgiving

Ministry Opportunities

Offering of Our Gifts to God

Offertory: How Firm a Foundation

*Doxology: 94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer

Sending Forth

*Song to Go Forth: 558 We Are the Church

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

*Recessional (Please remain in place as the acolytes carry the light out into the world.)

*The sermon outline is available in the Narthex.
Today's acolytes are Kelsey Tuinier and Kylie Tuinier.
Today's altar flowers are provided by Joe and Betty Gruber.*

Sunday School Lenten Study

Last year, the entire Sunday school department followed *The Way* Bible Study by Adam Hamilton during the Lenten season culminating on Easter Sunday. We have chosen to do another study together this year. We will be following the *24 Hours That Changed The World* Lenten study also written by Adam Hamilton.

In *24 Hours That Changed the World*, Adam Hamilton will help us experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death like never before. He retraces the day that changed human history in his usual straightforward yet easy, conversational style that speaks to both long-time Christians and those who are simply curious about the story of Christ's crucifixion.

In the DVD, Hamilton draws on insights from history, archaeology, geography, and the Bible and takes us to the Holy Land where he provides a deeper understanding of the most amazing day in history. We visit the sites where those earth-shaking events took place, and we walk where Jesus walked along the road that led to the pain and triumph of the cross.

This is one of the greatest opportunities to study together as your own family unit and with your church family. Don't miss out. The study begins March 5 at 9:50 a.m.

ScripCents Makes Sense!

Our ScripCents program offers same-as-cash gift cards from HUNDREDS of merchants nationwide for us to sell at face value. The advantage for us is that the church receives a percentage of each card purchased.

By ordering ScripCents, you do not have to purchase any items that you don't want or need. Simply buy gift cards and use them in-store or online for what you normally buy - like groceries, restaurants, books, clothes, gifts, etc.

Order forms are available at the Welcome Center, or you can print one from the church's web page at vicksburgumc.org. On the web page you can also see a complete list of merchants who offer the cards. Orders will be placed on the 1st and 15th of each month, and the cards usually arrive within a couple of days.

So pick up an order form or print one from your computer, fill out the form, and place it with your check made out to VUMC in box #30 in the church work room. Once you receive the cards, simply shop and make your purchases with the cards.

Easy as pie. Oh, you can buy a card for that!

ScripCents Order Dates

The next order dates for Scrip Cents are Wednesdays, March 1 and 15, no later than 2:00 p.m.

We Need a Wedding Coordinator

We are in need of one or more wedding coordinators. The basic responsibility of the wedding coordinator is to serve as the host to the wedding party and others who might need assistance. It means attending the wedding rehearsal and being present for up to four hours the day of the wedding. The pay is \$100 for each wedding. For more information, or to apply, see Pastor Buff.

Coming Deadlines

Newsletter

The deadline for the March issue of the *Visitor* is end-of-day tomorrow, February 20.

Church Council

The deadline for submissions for the Church Council is end of day this Tuesday, February 21.

Welcome Center Helpers Needed

We are looking for volunteers (single or couple) to help cover the Welcome Center for **November and December**, 11:00 a.m. service. You will welcome members and newcomers and answer any questions as they arrive for worship.

Please arrive by 10:30 and stay until just before the service begins. This is a great way to get to know other church members and greet new people coming to our church.

If you would like to sign up for November or December, or if you have any questions, please contact Karen Simpson at 269-978-8717.

Family Games and Euchre Tournament

The VUMC Connections Class will be hosting a Family Game Night and Euchre Tournament on Saturday, February 25. Registration for the Euchre Tournament portion begins at 6:30 p.m. with the tournament starting at 7:00. Family games can begin as soon after 6:30 as enough players are ready to start. There is no cost for the event, but donations are appreciated. Suggested donation amounts (targeted to building fund) are \$10 per person for Euchre and \$5 per person for game night attendees, but we mainly just want people to show up and have fun!

We do ask that you bring a snack to share. If you are coming for game night and have a game you'd like to share and play with others, please bring that along as well. We will have decks of cards available. We look forward to a good turnout and having lots of fun together!

This Week

Sunday, February 19

- 9:00 a.m. Celebration & Praise, Sanctuary
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. PIT CREW, Room 118
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, Sanctuary

Monday, February 20

- 6:30 p.m. Family Volleyball in the FLC
 - 6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop, Taylor Room
 - 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee meeting in the Library
- Submissions for the March newsletter are due*

Tuesday, February 21

- 6:00 p.m. Sew What Now God? in the Taylor Room
 - 6:30 p.m. Scout Den meeting
 - 6:30 p.m. Personnel Committee meeting in the Library
- Submissions for Church Council are due*

Wednesday, February 22

- 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Winners in the Taylor Room
- 2:30 p.m. The Shed (MS Outreach), Room 107
- 5:00 p.m. Helix (MS Youth), Room 107
- 6:00 p.m. Bell Choir practice in the Sanctuary
- 6:30 p.m. Pickleball in the FLC
- 7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the Sanctuary

Thursday, February 23

- 6:00 p.m. RAW (HS Youth)
- 6:30 p.m. Disciple Bible Study in Room 125

Friday, February 24

- 10:00 a.m. Knit & Stitch 2gether in Room 219
- 6:00 p.m. Scout Pack in the FLC

Saturday, February 25

- 9:00 a.m. Confirmation class in the Taylor Room
- 7:00 p.m. Euchre/Family Game Night, FLC

Monday through Friday

- 9:00 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Heart & Hands Preschool

Coming Events

Monday, February 27

- 6:30 p.m. Church Council meeting in the Taylor Room

Wednesday, March 1

- ScripCents orders are due by 2:00 p.m.*
- 7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service in the Sanctuary

Thursday, March 2

- 11:00 a.m. UMW Executive Committee meeting
- 12:30 p.m. UMW general meeting

Saturday, March 4

- 6:15 p.m. Fellowship of Christian Athletes, FLC and Taylor Room

Monday, March 6

- 7:00 p.m. Worship Planning Team in the Library

Mission Moment—Plus 10 Families

- February 19: Beth Griner and Dee Morton
- February 26: Joe and Betty Gruber
- March 5: Dee Morton and Beth Griner

For Cheer and Hello

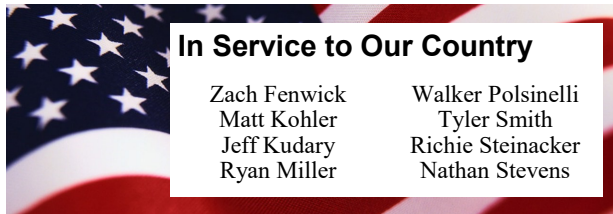
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| Liz Anderson | Iris McGahan |
| Mary Evelyn Bell | Beverly Nimmo |
| Carol Berkey | Robert & Carmen Parsons |
| David Bretz | Char Rice |
| Virginia Caswell | Marv & Kitty Starbuck |
| Alice Dibble | Al Thomas |
| Barb Griner | Mina Willett |
| Pat McClelland | |

For Hope and Healing

- Marilyn Butcher
- Chris Carpenter
- Terry Coburn (Joe and Betty Gruber's friend)
- Pastor Buff and Lisa's friend
- Family of Ryan Cole (Darcy Osborn's friend)
- Derek (Lynne Melvin's friend)
- Matt Franklin
- Family of Doris Grinder (Vicksburg resident)
- Barbara Griner
- Mari Hiemstra
- Tyler Lynch
- Georgia Rolfe
- Larry and LaVon Rolfe
- Jerry Swift
- Family of Norma Woodcox (Vicksburg resident)

For Lost Loved Ones

- Rev. Dean Bailey (pastor here from 1966-1969)
- Nancy Blanchard
- Marilyn Durham
- Jack Kennedy (Lisa Coe's great-uncle)
- Andrea Loucks (Virginia Caswell's granddaughter)
- Lucille Miller
- John Munn (Virginia Caswell's son-in-law)
- Linda Smith (Lisa Coe's mother)
- Bob Springer (Karla Stubblefield's father)



This Week's Celebrations

Birthdays

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| 2/19 Frances Howard | 2/21 Betty Gruber |
| Anna Sponseller | 2/23 Bonnie Sellers |
| 2/20 Kristopher Dibble | Anniversaries |
| Laverne Swinehart | 2/22 Billy & Barbara |
| 2/21 Adalynn Brundige | Adams |