

Sunday
May 19, 2019
10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Easter

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Becoming disciples,
serving God's world.



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Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Ministry Opportunities

***Call to Worship**—*Based on Proverbs 3:5-6; 9:10; 3:8*

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding.

In all your ways acknowledge the LORD, and God will make your paths straight.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom.

It will be healing for your flesh and refreshment for your body.

***Opening Hymn: #2193** Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

***Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance**

Lord, You invite us to choose what is wise, but we willfully choose that which is foolish. We are drawn to what is loud, glitzy, and temporarily satisfying, rather than following Your still, small voice.

Forgive our blindness of mind and heart, and free us to truly follow You.

God waits. God hopes. God celebrates when we choose good judgment.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

Scripture Lesson: Proverbs 9:1-18

Hymn: #2233 Where Children Belong

Children's Time ~ *Hank Stamm*

Anthem: Holy, Holy, Holy ~ *Handbell Choir*

Sermon: *Proverbial Wisdom: "Learn Good Judgment"* ~ *Pastor Greg*

This is the third of a May sermon series called "Proverbial Wisdom".

***Prayer Song: #526** What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Prayer requests may be collected by the ushers.

Prayers of the People, and The Lord's Prayer

Offering Back to God

Offertory: Stand Up and Bless the Lord ~
Handbell Choir

***Doxology:** #95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Closing Hymn:** #70 Glory Be to the Father

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Prayer for Family and Friends

Praise

Evy turned 3 last week! ~ *Diana Pomeroy*

Updates and New Requests This Week

Family and friends of Jack (one of Diana Pomeroy's clients) are mourning Jack's passing last Friday.

Nicolette (Diana Pomeroy's friend) was moved to Rose Arbor last week.

Denny Osterhouse (Jody Tuinier's stepdad) is in Three Rivers Hospital and is not expected to survive long. Please pray also for Jody's mom, Julie Osterhouse, during this time.

Previous Requests

Brad and Lisa Beams and family are mourning the loss of Brad's father, Gene Beams.

Carol Eaton

Nacee Howard (Georgia Rolfe's friend) has been diagnosed with terminal cancer.

Vern Reed is recovering from quadruple bypass surgery, and he has also been ill with the flu. If you would like to send a card, their address is: 2630 Pirineos Way #2, Carlsbad, CA 92009.

Mary Slavicek (Emily Hansson's mom) is recovering from major surgery.

VUMC's
Mission Statement



The General Rule of Discipleship

To witness to Jesus Christ in the world, and to follow his teachings through acts of compassion, justice, worship and devotion under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Acolyte celebration

ATTENTION all acolytes and future acolytes! Join us for brownies and ice cream directly after church in the Taylor Room today! This is to thank our awesome kids who are serving our church family and welcome future acolytes who may want to join the team. Parents and siblings are welcome to attend.



Can you help with Graduation Breakfast?

If you would like to help honor this year's graduating seniors at the graduation breakfast - cooking, serving, decorating, clean-up - please contact John Cleveland, 269-649-1405, Jcleveland327@gmail.com. Breakfast will be the morning of June 2, 8:30, in the Taylor Room.

Coming deadlines

- Items for the June newsletter are due in the church office by Tuesday, May 28.
- ScripCents orders are due in the church office by 2:00 Monday, June 3.

For Cheer and Hello

David Bretz
Barb Griner
Pat McClelland
Beverly Nimmo

Robert & Carmen
Parsons
Marv & Kitty Starbuck
Mina Willett

This Week's Celebrations

Birthdays

5/19 Dominick Hosner
Phil Tilbury

5/21 Billy Adams
Ken Herson

5/22 Betty Bradfield
5/23 Elizabeth Tuinier

5/24 Sofia Hess
5/25 Vern & Aurelia
Reed

Anniversaries

5/20 Mark & Mary Rusk

5/21 Doug & Deb
Sponseller

5/25 Vern & Aurelia
Reed

In Service to Our Country

Matthew Kohler
Ryan Miller
Walker Polsinelli

Tyler Smith
Geoff White

You are encouraged to attend Council meetings

A week ago last Monday, on the 6th, there was a Church Council meeting. Who knew?? My apologies for not encouraging all of you to attend. Yes, we are now meeting on the FIRST Monday of each month at 7:00. I thank you for trusting me to lead your council, but I guarantee you that I, and everyone else on that council, want and need YOUR input. Come and see. ~ *John Cleveland*

Vacation Bible School needs items

Vacation Bible School is fast approaching! We are in need of some donations for Bible-times decorations. If you happen to have any of these items, or if you can keep your eyes and ears open for any of these items, it will be greatly appreciated. We need:

- Baskets
- Colorful pieces of fabric
- Terra-cotta pottery
- Rugs
- Greenery
- Blankets

Vacation Bible School will take place the week of June 23-27. If you would like your donated items back, please put your name on a piece of masking tape and attach it to the item. Items can be turned in to the youth room, next to the family life center kitchen. Thank you for all your help and support.

Mission Moment—Plus 10 Families

May 19: Marshall Linebaugh
May 26: Joe and Betty Gruber

Piano free of charge

We have a Baldwin spinet piano in the chapel (the room next to the sanctuary) that needs a new home. If you come and get it, you can have it at no cost. Please act quickly or it will be gone.

Today's acolytes are
October Moberley and Lily Stamm

May 12 attendance:
Morning Worship 124 Sunday School 33

This Week's Calendar

Today

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for everyone
10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
after church Acolyte celebration in the Taylor Room

Monday, May 20

6:00 p.m. Finance Committee in the Library
7:00 p.m. Worship Committee in the Library
8:00 p.m. SPRC in the Library

Tuesday, May 21

1:00 p.m. Priscilla Circle luncheon out
2:00 p.m. Sew What Now God, Taylor Room
6:30 p.m. RAW (high school youth) in Rm 107

Wednesday, May 22

10:30 a.m. Wednesday Winners, Taylor Room
2:45 p.m. SHED (mid. school outreach), Rm 107
5:00 p.m. HELIX (middle school youth), Rm 107
7:00 p.m. Choir practice in the Sanctuary

Thursday, May 23

7:00 p.m. Apprentice class, Room 125 (Fish Rm)

Friday, May 24 - Pastor's Day Off

6:00 p.m. Preschool Graduation in the Sanctuary

Saturday, May 25

no activities are scheduled

Monday through Thursday

Heart & Hands Preschool: 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Next Week

Sunday, May 26—Summer Worship schedule begins

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
no Sunday School

Monday, May 27—Memorial Day

Offices will be closed

Wednesday, May 29

7:00 p.m. Baccalaureate at the high school

Friday, May 31

7:00 p.m. Stamm piano recital in the Sanctuary

Announcements are needed by Thursdays

Please, please, please, if you have any announcements you would like to have made during church by the lay leader, get them to the church office or to the worship leader in writing by Thursday. Thank you from the worship committee.

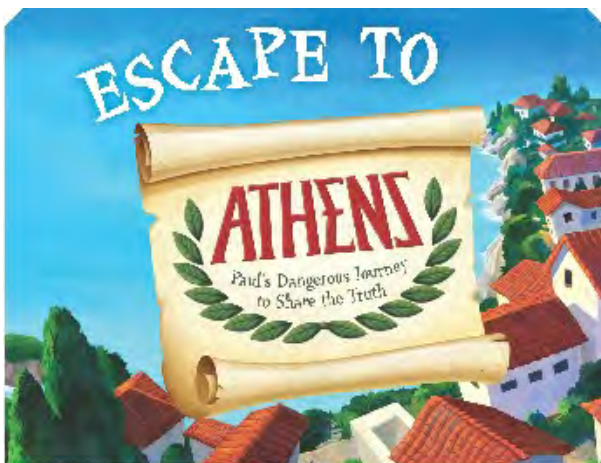
Weekly Donations

Needed each week

General Fund:
\$ 5,288.50
Building Fund:
\$ 1,140.66

Received May 5-11

General Fund:
\$ 4,401.75
Building Fund:
\$ 733.00



In just a few weeks, we're taking a journey back to ancient Athens, where the Apostle Paul stayed! You'll get to talk to Paul to find out what happened on his dangerous journey to share the truth about God.

Vicksburg United Methodist Church

**Sunday, June 23rd to
Thursday, June 27th
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

For more information, call 269-649-2343.

Volunteer wanted

We need a positive male role model to tutor a third grade boy, reading at a first grade level. Hopeful that man can meet 5 times with the student over the summer. Please call Sharon Penola at 372-3123 if you can help.

Coffee Hour snack donations are easy

If you wish to donate cookies, juice, or snacks for the coffee hour, simply drop them off at the church on Saturday or Sunday morning. We will do all the set up and clean up! If the item(s) is perishable, it can be placed in the refrigerator in the Taylor room kitchen. If a plate/dish is used that needs to be returned, simply place your name on the bottom and we will make sure it is returned to you. Items should be marked "coffee hour". Thank you!



Concert at Klines Resort

The Dunnemans will be appearing on Sunday, May 26, at 6:30 p.m. at Klines Resort, 5 miles south of Vicksburg on Silver St. If you plan to attend, you will need to bring a lawn chair or blanket to this outdoor concert and a finger food to share afterward. A love offering will be taken.

Kalamazoo Gospel Mission needs bread

We are continuing to collect bread for The Kalamazoo Gospel Mission. If you would like to contribute, please bring loaves of sliced white bread to the church, and they will be delivered.

Park Village Pines flower sale

Park Village Pines, a Christian assisted living senior care community, invites you to their campus at 2920 Crystal Lane (just off 11th Street south of Stadium Drive) in Kalamazoo on **Saturday, June 1 from 8 am to 12 pm for their annual Flower Sale**. Enjoy great prices on all types of flowers, and free coffee and donuts! All proceeds will help provide our residents with the highest quality Christian senior care and facilities. We're looking forward to seeing you at Park Village Pines on Saturday, June 1.

Help is needed at the Welcome Center

Monthly Welcome Center "welcomers" are needed. Please sign up at the Welcome Center.