

Sunday
May 26, 2019
10:00 a.m.

Sixth Sunday in Easter

Pastor Greg

Becoming disciples,
serving God's world.



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Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Ministry Opportunities

***Call to Worship**—Based on Luke 14:1, 7-14; Hebrews 13:1-6

Creator God, You call us to hospitality; to give as generously to others as You have given to us.

For there are angels among us.

Loving God, You call us to give You glory in the compassion we show to one another.

To love without judgment, of ourselves or of others.

We gather as one Body, seeking to walk in the way You have set for us.

We gather as one Body, to worship the One who is Love.

***Opening Hymn: #428** For the Healing of the Nations

***Opening Prayer**—Psalm 112 (*The Message*)

Hallelujah! Blessed man, blessed woman, who fear God, Who cherish and relish his commandments, Their children robust on the earth, And the homes of the upright—how blessed!

Their houses brim with wealth And a generosity that never runs dry.

**Sunrise breaks through the darkness for good people—
God's grace and mercy and justice!**

The good person is generous and lends lavishly; No shuffling or stumbling around for this one, But a sterling and solid and lasting reputation. Unfazed by rumor and gossip, Heart ready, trusting in God, Spirit firm, unperturbed, Ever blessed, relaxed among enemies, They lavish gifts on the poor—A generosity that goes on, and on, and on.

An honored life! A beautiful life!

Someone wicked takes one look and rages, Blusters away but ends up speechless.

There's nothing to the dreams of the wicked. Nothing.

Scripture Lesson: Sirach 10:12-18; Proverbs 25:6-7 (NRSV)

Hymn: #2233 Where Children Belong

Children's Time ~ Joanne Culver

Anthem: Blessed Be Your Name ~ Chancel Choir

Sermon: *Proverbial Wisdom*: "Learn Your Place"
~ Pastor Greg

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

***Prayer Song:** #2149 Living for Jesus

Prayer requests may be collected by the ushers.

Prayers of the People, and The Lord's Prayer

Offering Back to God

Offertory: Clap Your Hands and Sing
Hallelujah ~ Chancel Choir

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

***Closing Hymn:** #717 The Battle Hymn of the Republic

On Memorial Day we remember those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of our Lord Jesus Christ. May God bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with His strength and peace.

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Prayer for Family and Friends

Praise

Kids in Sunday School raised \$24.66 in Quarters for Christ. Elementary Kids: Anna, Gabriel, Elliot, Henry, Lily, Mac, Vaughan, October, Liam, and Gabe

Updates and New Requests This Week

Nona Mattheis is in Heartland Nursing Home, Three Rivers.

Linda Murr (Laverne Swinehart's friend) has a brain tumor.

Nicolette (Diana Pomeroy's friend) passed away last Tuesday. Please remember Nicolette's family, Diana, and friends in prayer.

Jane Quembo (Noni Heikes's Zimbabwean friend) continues to need prayer, as her family was affected by the cyclone earlier this spring. Noni will be taking school supplies to them in June.

Debbi Swinehart will have 2 hip replacements. Jody Tuinier's stepdad, Denny Osterhouse, passed away last Saturday. Please remember Jody, her Mom Julie, and all the family and friends in prayer.

Previous Requests

Carol Eaton

Jack (one of Diana Pomeroy's clients) passed away. Please remember the family, Diana, and friends in prayer.

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.

**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.

For Cheer and Hello

David Bretz
Barb Griner
Pat McClelland
Beverly Nimmo

Robert & Carmen
Parsons
Marv & Kitty Starbuck
Mina Willett

In Service to Our Country

Matthew Kohler
Ryan Miller
Walker Polsinelli

Tyler Smith
Geoff White

This Week's Celebrations

Birthdays

5/29 Levi Hawkins

5/26 Randy & Tamra
Stafford

Anniversaries

5/26 Mike & Guila Harrison

5/27 Don & Tamra Puckett

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 next Sunday morning, June 2, 8:30, in the Taylor Room.

Coming deadlines

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

Baccalaureate this Wednesday

Baccalaureate will be this Wednesday, May 29, at the Performing Arts Center at Vicksburg High School. Everyone is invited to attend, especially seniors and their families. We hope to see you there.

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.

Today's acolytes are
John Paul Culver and Gabriel Culver

May 19 attendance:
Morning Worship 128 Sunday School 42

This Week's Calendar

Today

10:00a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Monday, May 27—Memorial Day

Offices will be closed

Tuesday, May 28

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

Wednesday, May 29

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

Thursday, May 30

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

Friday, May 31 - Pastor's Day Off

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

Saturday, June 1

no activities are scheduled

Next Week

Sunday, June 2

8:30 a.m. *Graduation Breakfast, Taylor Room*

Tuesday, June 4

6:30 p.m. *Rotary Strive Banquet, FLC*
7:00 p.m. *Trustees in the Library*

Thursday, June 6

11:00 a.m. *UMW Executive Committee, Library*
12:30 p.m. *UMW general meeting, Taylor Room*

Saturday, June 8

9:00 a.m. *Pie and Ice Cream Social on the front lawn during the Old Car Festival*

You are encouraged to attend Church Council meetings

Last week we told you about our new meeting night for the Church Council being on the first Monday each month. However, in June, due to a couple of items you're not going to want to miss, we will be meeting on Monday, June 10th, at 7:00. This is one meeting you're NOT going to want to miss. Come and see.

Mission Moment—Plus 10 Families

May 26: Joe and Betty Gruber
June 2:

Weekly Donations

Needed each week

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

Received May 14-21

General Fund:
\$ 3,017.05
Building Fund:
\$ 2,558.02

Summer Worship Schedule

Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

no Sunday School



Family Camping

Family Camping is at Lake Michigan Camp in Pentwater on the weekend of June 14-16. There are platform tents, cabins available and spaces for tents, campers and RV's. If you are interested, please call Dana at 231-715-8787 and mention Vicksburg United Methodist Church so she knows to put you in the group. Weekend includes a potluck on Saturday night and lots of fun. Talk to Ken Cron back at the sound booth with any questions.

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 Pendola 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!

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.

HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED...

- ...what it was like to live in Bible times?
- ...how people even heard about Jesus before there were phones?
- ...why people worshiped so many fake gods?

Find the answers to these questions—and more—in ancient Athens!

ATHENS
The 5th century learned to share the truth

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.

Concert at Klines Resort

The Dunnemans will be appearing today 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.

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.

Generous Hands Wish List

- 18 oz. peanut butter
- fruit cups
- applesauce cups
- granola bars
- Ramen noodles
- microwave popcorn
- small peanut packs
- instant oatmeal packets




Help is needed at the Welcome Center

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

Volunteers and pies are needed

We need volunteers to help with the pie and ice cream social Saturday, June 8, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. We also need pies. Please contact Kathy Phillips at 649-3850.




**PIE AND
ICE CREAM
SOCIAL**

Saturday, June 8
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

on the front lawn

**Vicksburg United Methodist
Church**
217 South Main Street
downtown Vicksburg



at the Vicksburg Old Car Festival