

Sunday  
**July 21, 2019**  
10:00 a.m.

## Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Lay Servants

Becoming disciples,  
serving God's world.



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Plain print indicates worship leader.  
**Bold print indicates the people.**  
\*Indicates please stand as able.

### Enter the Sanctuary Singing Hymns

#### Prelude

#### Welcome, Announcements, and Ministry Opportunities

\***Call to Worship:** #881 The Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\***Opening Prayer:** #844 Psalm 121 (Response 1)

*(congregation sings)* **Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's might.**

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From whence does my help come?  
*(congregation speaks)* **My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

The Lord will not let your foot be moved, the Lord who keeps you will not slumber.

**Behold, the One who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord is your keeper;

**the Lord is your shade on your right hand.**

The sun shall not smite you by day,

**nor the moon by night.**

The Lord will keep you from all evil, and will keep your life.

**The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore.**

*(congregation sings)* **Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's might.**

\***Scripture Lesson:** Matthew 6:13

**Children's Hymn:** #2233 Where Children Belong

**Children's Time** ~ *Hank Stamm*

**Anthem:** Mercy Is a Song ~ *Ken Franklin*

**Sermon:** "Deliver Us" ~ *Lay Servants (Brad, Vera, Ken, Diana, John)*

**Prayers of the People**

**Responsive Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven,  
remind us constantly that You are the  
parent to all Your children, whoever, or  
wherever they are or come from.

Hallowed be your name.

**Your Kingdom come, establishing peace  
and justice, hope and life for all peoples.**

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

**Give us today our daily bread. Disturb us  
into awareness of the needs of others.**

Forgive us our sins, our pride and our  
prejudices —

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

Lead us not into temptation,

**especially keep our hearts and minds  
open to see the good in others.**

Deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, just and true, the power,  
gentle and fair, and the glory, shot  
through with the colors of love, are  
Yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Offering our Gifts and Tithes**

Offertory: The Lord's Prayer ~ *Ken Franklin*

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

\***Closing Hymn:** #399 Take My Life and Let It Be

\***Benediction**

\***Postlude**

**Prayer for Family and Friends**

**Updates and New Requests This Week**

Matt Barton's father passed away. Please remember Matt and Jill and all the family and friends in prayer.

John Cleveland was hospitalized last weekend due to dehydration, but he is home now.

Ken Cron's brother, Mike, passed away Monday. Please remember Ken and Jolene and all the family and friends in prayer.

Carol Eaton is scheduled for surgery in Cleveland on Aug. 5.

Safe travel for Joe and Betty Gruber during their vacation.

Shequita Lewis, a member of Fresh Fire AME Church on Gull Rd., was murdered in her home on Monday. Please pray for her family and friends and the Fresh Fire Church.

**Previous Requests**

Don (John Cleveland's brother) is back in the hospital with kidney issues.

Isaac (Emily Hansson's cousin) is serving in the Air Force, and his assignment in Qatar has been extended indefinitely.

Jake Kohler (Larry's nephew) has cancer at age 35 with 6 to 12 months to live. Larry's sister Shirley and family also need prayer.

Paul Moberly (Susan Moberly-Hayes's dad) is recovering from open heart surgery. Prayers for healing.

Jason Phillips is recovering from major surgery due to cancer. Please pray for full healing and relief from side effects.

Iva Snyder (Vera Walker's sister-in-law and Char Rice's sister) has gone to her heavenly home. Prayers for her family, and praise for this wonderful witness of 98 years.

Cara Swinehart (Laverne's 35-year-old granddaughter) had a seizure recently.

Ken Tice (Betty Gruber's brother-in-law) is in ICU in Elkhart General Hospital with a throat problem.

Jan Walsworth is recovering from triple bypass open heart surgery. Prayers for healing.

**Weekly Donations**

**Needed each week**

General Fund:  
\$ 5,288.50

Building Fund:  
\$ 1,140.66

**Received Jul 10-16**

General Fund:  
\$ 7,449.04

Building Fund:  
\$ 1,944.00

**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

### Just a reminder

UMCOR needs your monetary support as it works for the victims of floods and tornados. Remember, UMCOR is in it for the long haul, long after others have left.

### Coming deadlines

- Items for the August newsletter are due in the church office tomorrow.
- ScripCents orders are due in the church office by 2:00 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15 (**no Aug. 1 order**).

### Concert at Klines Resort

The Sound will be appearing on Sunday, Aug. 4, 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 free-will offering will be taken.

### Are you receiving our emails?

If you have an email account and are not currently receiving the Tuesday report or the monthly newsletter via email, please call Polly in the church office at 649-2343 and request to be included in the email list.

### Growlers baseball game

United Methodist Day at the Kalamazoo Growlers will be next Sunday, July 28, 3:05 p.m. Tickets are \$9 and include a free hat. Visit [GrowlersTickets.com](http://GrowlersTickets.com) and enter promo code: UMCTICKETS.

## This Week's Celebrations

### Birthdays

7/21 Carl Williams	7/26 June French
7/22 Mike Harrison	Jager Luegge
Meredith Smola	Don Puckett
7/23 Polly Preston	7/27 Loren Tarner
7/24 Erin Williams	<b><u>Anniversaries</u></b>
7/25 Greg Burke	7/23 Mike & Sharon
Dennis Sherman	Pendola
	7/26 Greg & Mardi White

## This Week's Calendar

### Today

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

### Monday, July 22

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, July 23

1:00 p.m. Priscilla Circle at Aurelia Reed's house

2:00 p.m. Sew What Now God, Taylor Room

### Wednesday, July 24

*no activities are scheduled*

### Thursday, July 25

*no activities are scheduled*

### Friday, July 26 - Pastor's Day Off

*no activities are scheduled*

### Saturday, July 27

*no activities are scheduled*

### Next Week

#### Thursday, Aug. 1

11:00 a.m. UMW Executive Committee, Library

12:30 p.m. UMW General meeting, Taylor Room

### Needed: more disciples!

"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." This is VUMC's mission. It's why we're here. If you have a passion for the gospel (even if you're willing to get a passion) and an earnest desire to see Christ change lives through this church, you are invited to join us on this journey, going forward to be and do what God wants us to be and do. New member orientation will be in September. Interested? Pray about this — and let's talk. You can call Pastor Greg here at the church (269-649-2343) or e-mail ([gpculver@mac.com](mailto:gpculver@mac.com)).

### Can you donate mulch?

Joyce Newton has done a beautiful job of planting flowers around the church and is very thankful for the mulch that has already been donated. She needs a bit more, though, so if you can donate brown mulch, please leave it at the south side (right) of the main entrance.

### Church calendar online

You can see what's coming up on the church calendar by visiting <http://vicksburgumc.org/events.html>.

July 14 Worship attendance: 137

## Generous Hands Wish List



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

## Lend a Hand This Summer!

Generous Hands and South County Community Services (SCCS) are partnering to help children prepare for a successful new school year. They will be hosting the 12th Annual Back to School Bonanza on Aug. 3. Could you please **Lend a Hand**?

When school resumes in the fall, many children do not have the necessary school supplies to help them succeed in school. You can **Lend a Hand** by donating any of the requested school supplies to Generous Hands and SCCS.

Please phone Sheri Louis at 370-7965 if you have any questions. Thank you for **Lending a Hand!** Your help is truly appreciated.

## Backpack Supplies for Generous Hands

- scissors
- Crayola crayons
- pencils
- zipper pencil pouch—pencil boxes
- colored pencils
- markers
- Expo markers (for white boards) - highlighters
- erasers (caps & pink chunky)
- glue (Elmer's liquid & stick)
- spiral notebooks/ wide & college ruled
- 3 ring binders—1"
- backpacks
- hygiene items: small hand sanitizers, small tissue packets, dental floss
- gently used children's clothing

Leave supplies in the baskets in the hall or at SCCS or Generous Hands by July 26.

## 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.

## Mission Moment—Plus 10 Families

Thank you to these families who bring \$10 worth of groceries for South County or \$10 for Generous Hands:

July 21: Marshall Linebaugh

July 28: Joe and Betty Gruber

## Thank you

A heartfelt thanks to each and every one who helped to make the Sunday of my baptism very extra special. ~ *Laverne*

Thank you to everyone who supported and helped with the hot dog dinner. It was a fun evening, and we raised \$360 that will go toward our Ministry Shares obligation to United Methodist Camping.



Friday **August 9**  
**5:30 p.m.**  
 in the Taylor Room

Everyone  
is invited!

**tickets**  
 \$ **5** per person  
 - or -  
 \$ **20** per family

Proceeds will go to meet  
 Ministry Shares obligation  
 to United Methodist Camping.