

Sunday  
**August 5, 2018**  
10:00 a.m.

## Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Diana Pomeroy

Becoming disciples,  
serving God's world.



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Plain print indicates worship leader.

**Bold print indicates congregation.**

*\*Indicates please stand as able.*

### Gather to Worship

#### Welcome

#### Ministry Opportunities

#### \*Call to Worship

- Holy God, like Isaiah the prophet, we stand in awe of Your glory, feeling tremendously small and polluted by our sin and the sin of our society. Even so, You touch us with Your burning presence, and we are made clean and whole.
- Christ, our Savior, lead us to do as You will.
- Spirit, our Power, strengthen us for the work of the Kingdom, a worship and a service which is ours today as well as tomorrow.
- Blessed Trinity, fill this place and these people with Your presence. For yours is the Power, and the Salvation, and the Creation, now and always.

#### \*Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Lord God in Heaven, You have given us so many things in this world: flowers and trees, friends and family, necessities and treats. You have given us the Bible that is so full of guidance for us. You have given us the example of Jesus. Then you put the icing on the cake when you gave us the Holy Spirit living in and amongst us. Yet even with all of that,

**we confess that we still do wrong things. Sometimes we even deliberately disobey you. Help us to remember that we are joined together by Your love shown to us in Jesus. Fill us with love for You and each other as we worship together and when we greet one another in the streets where we live. In Jesus' mighty name, amen.**

\*Hymn: #365 Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Scripture Lesson: 1 John 1:5 – 2:2

Hymn: #2233 Where Children Belong

Children's Time ~ Kathy Phillips

## The Lord's Prayer

Led by our children

Children 3 yrs. to 3rd grade will go with Laurie Nic to POP!

**Sermon:** "It's Nothing New" ~ *Diana Pomeroy*

Second in a sermon series on 1 John, "Walk in the Light"

**Hymn:** #2150 Lord, Be Glorified

**Praying for Others and for Ourselves**

**Offering Our Gifts and Tithes**

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

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Father God, giver of all GOOD things, we return to you just a small portion of all you have blessed us with. Use these, our gifts and tithes, to further your Kingdom here on earth, here and into the future. These gifts are just a symbol of our willingness to be used by You in ANY way you see fit. We offer you these, today and always. Amen.

**\*Hymn:** #373 Nothing Between

**\*Blessing**

**\*Depart to Serve**

Coming up next Sunday, August 12: Third in the sermon series — "*Walk in the Light*" — with 1 John 3:1-7,16-24. Hank Stamm, minister of youth, will be preaching while Pastor Greg is on vacation.

### In Service to Our Country

Matthew Kohler  
Jeff Kudary  
Ryan Miller

Walker Polsinelli  
Tyler Smith  
Geoff White

### This Week's Celebrations

#### Birthdays

8/5 Calvin Gose	8/7 Tim & Lynne Melvin
8/7 Betty Witcher	Dan & Sandy
8/8 Don Dailey	Minger
Jen Thompson	8/8 Brad & Lisa Beams
8/11 Nona Mattheis	8/9 Ken & Jolene Cron
Liz Page	John & Sharon
Lori Tichvon	Wagner

#### Anniversaries

8/5 Vernon & Janet Noel	8/11 David & Cande Ver- meulen
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### For Cheer and Hello

Liz Anderson	Beverly Nimmo
David Bretz	Robert & Carmen Parsons
Barb Griner	Marv & Kitty Starbuck
Pat McClelland	Mina Willett
Iris McGahan	

July 29 Worship attendance: 117



In August, we are exploring Jesus being our rock, the foundation of our lives. This program, intended for children age 3 to third grade, encourages kids to worship God using their whole body. Children leave the adult worship service right after the kids' message and are returned back to service after the offering. **Please be sure your child has a name tag with age or grade.**



### 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.

We are collecting school supplies for Generous Hands and South County Community Services.



## Prayer for Family and Friends

### Praise

Kayla Daniels (Jeff and Cathy Johnson's niece) had 2 spots on her lungs tested for cancer. They are not cancer but will be monitored.

Lizz Heikes returns to Shepherds College for her final year!

25 years ago, Joanne (Joe and Betty Gruber's daughter) had her bone marrow transplant and is doing well still.

Linda (Ken Franklin's stepmother) embraced Christ last Saturday.

### Updates and New Requests This Week

Diane Brandon (June Taylor's neighbor) needs prayer.

Noni Heikes and her group of students will go to South Africa to work with wildlife veterinarians.

Melanie (Andrea Read's friend), mother of three young girls, was diagnosed with breast cancer Monday and started chemotherapy Thursday.

Jerry Miller (Betty Gruber's nephew) has kidney failure with many complications. Pray that he will repent, as his days are numbered.

Dee Morton needs prayer as doctors try to learn what is causing her to be so tired.

Mary Stenstrom was hospitalized on Sunday with congestive heart failure.

Al Thomas passed away last Sunday. Please pray for Margie and all the family.

Pray for all the leaders, the USA, and the whole world.

### Previous Requests

Jack and Cynda Buckallew

Derek (Lynne Melvin's co-worker) has a new tumor in his lung, and the cancer has spread to his liver.

Janet and Hugh Forster (Chuck and Lois Myers's sister and brother-in-law) need prayer as Hugh has Parkinson's and fell and broke his wrist.

Jim (Mike and Jody Tuinier's friend) needs prayer as his fiancé, Kim, passed away due to cancer.

Tyler Lynch needs prayer as his cat died.

Tim and Lynne Melvin and family need prayer as their niece, Karrie Melvin, passed away due to illness.

Michelle (Andrea Read's friend) is struggling to control her blood sugar.

Sandy and Dan Minger and family need prayer as Sandy's sister, Barb Hansen, passed away.

Randy Myers (Georgia Rolfe's brother) is hospitalized with severe kidney and blood infections.

Julie and June Taylor and family need prayer as their sister, Sherry, passed away due to a car accident.

Julie Taylor is recovering from additional surgery on her leg.

June Taylor's brain tumor treatment will be in Pittsburgh.

Don Tuinier (Mike's brother) was diagnosed with esophageal cancer about a month ago and now only has a matter of days left. Please lift his wife, Lisa, and the entire family in prayer.

Vera Walker's nephew has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Wally Walsworth (former VUMC pastor) fell and injured his hip. He is in a lot of pain.

### **This Week's Calendar**

#### **Today**

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

#### **Monday, August 6**

12:00 p.m. *Election setup in the FLC*

1:00 p.m. *Matter of Balance class, Taylor Room*

6:30 p.m. *VBS training in the Sanctuary*

#### **Tuesday, August 7**

*all day State Primary elections in the FLC*

11:30 a.m. *Funeral lunch for Al Thomas, Taylor Rm*

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

7:00 p.m. *Trustees in the Library*

#### **Wednesday, August 8**

10:30 a.m. *Wednesday Winners in the Taylor Room*

#### **Thursday, August 9**

10:00 a.m. *UMW Sewing for Missions, Taylor Room*

5:30 p.m. *Preschool Board in the Library*

6:30 p.m. *Scouts District Round Table, Taylor Rm*

#### **Friday, August 10**

1:00 p.m. *Matter of Balance class, Taylor Room*

#### **Saturday, August 11**

*no activities are scheduled*

### **Coming Events**

#### **Monday, August 13**

9:00 a.m. *Vacation Bible School*

1:00 p.m. *Matter of Balance class, Taylor Room*

#### **Tuesday, August 14**

9:00 a.m. *Vacation Bible School*

#### **Wednesday, August 15**

9:00 a.m. *Vacation Bible School*

#### **Thursday, August 16**

9:00 a.m. *Vacation Bible School*

#### **Friday, August 17**

1:00 p.m. *Matter of Balance class, Taylor Room*

#### **Saturday, August 18**

8:30 a.m. *Loaves & Fishes in the FLC till 10:00a*

## Holiday Progressive Dinner is back

Plan now and save the date: December 8.

We will need **3** homes to volunteer for a course. Contact Betsy Myers at 269-207-5212 if you can host appetizers, salads, or desserts.

Plan now so you have plenty of time to clean and decorate for December 8.

## Matter of Balance class

Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A Matter of Balance is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. This class will be held at VUMC Mondays and Fridays in August, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. You must preregister at South County Community Services, 649-2901. For more information, contact Kelly Milliman at 373-5021.

Thursday

# PLAY GYM

10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m.



Fun, inexpensive  
"play with me" group for  
1- to 5-year-olds and  
their favorite adult.

Next session begins **Sept. 6.**  
Class sizes are limited so be sure to register  
early by calling the church at 269-649-2343.

## 24-Hour Prayer Vigil

For the next several weeks, we would like to have prayer for our church, our church family, and others for 24 hours a day, if possible. If you would like to sign up for an hour (as many as you would like), please write your name in available spaces on the chart near the welcome center.

## Teen volunteers are needed

Teen helpers are needed for POP! on Sunday mornings. Please text Laurie Nic if you can help during August - 269.598.2264.

## Place your Christmas events on the calendar

If you have something planned for the months of November and/or December that needs to be on the church calendar, please get that information to Polly in the church office as soon as possible. Outside groups are requesting building reservations, and we want to be sure you get priority. Call 649-2343 or email [reception@vicksburgumc.org](mailto:reception@vicksburgumc.org).

## Coming deadlines

- ScripCents orders are due in the church office by 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 15.

## Thank you

Thank you, JR Fulton, for edging the sidewalks. ~ *Board of Trustees*



Vacation  
Bible  
School

# Stick your neck out... and try something different!

Grab a pair of sandals, your bathrobe, and your sense of adventure, and meet us in ancient Babylon! We'll talk to Daniel to learn all about his courage as a captive in a foreign land.

## Vicksburg United Methodist Church

August 13-16 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

For more information, call 269.649.2343