

Participating in Worship Today

Pianist:	Steve Slack
Song Leaders:	Steven & Kelly Brumm
Greeter:	Harland Erfurth
Ushers:	Phil Leavenworth &
Reader:	Jeff Jenkins
Audio Tech:	Alan Ferguson
Communion Bread:	Phil Leavenworth
Serving Communion:	Mary Dowling & Jeff Jenkins
Dishwashers:	Beth Albert, Tisha Brown & Jeff Jenkins
Ministers:	All the people
Youth Ministry Director:	Mary Penninga
Pastor:	Brad Brookins

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done

On earth,

As it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts,

As we also have forgiven our debtors.

And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.

Amen

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“...choose this day
whom you will serve...”

Joshua, son of Nun

“You gotta serve somebody”

Bob Dylan



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is an Open and Affirming Congregation.*

Mt Vernon Zwingli United Church of Christ
20th Sunday after Pentecost

October 7, 2018

Greeting

Into Silence *Matthew 22. 34-40*

Prelude *Blott En Dag*

1st Song *Amazing Grace*

*** 2nd Song** *Lean On Me*

*** Prayer**

Gracious God, we are a people created by your love, formed by the words of Jesus and breathed into life by your Spirit. In your grace, we are whole. But sometimes we wander from wholeness; sometimes we seek light in darkness. May your ever present Spirit shake us when we need shaking, hold us together when we are coming apart and shape us more each day into the people you want us to be we pray. Amen.

*** Promise**

Anyone...

Thanks be to God!

...And so we sing!

*Breathe on me Breath of God
Fill me with life anew
That I may love what you do love
And do what you would do*

What's Happening!

Offering *zero five thirty* Nina Moyer Fink
a creak in the floorboards, a pressing wind
and for a split second you were here again...

Offering Music *In the Presence of Jesus*

*** Response**

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above you heavenly host
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*** Prayer of Dedication (Unison)**

Prayer: Open our hearts to feel your presence. Open our lips to sing your praise. Open our hands to share your goodness. Use of our gifts and our lives to benefit the world and the people you love we pray, in Jesus name. Amen.

1st Scripture Joshua 24: 1,2; 14,15

You Gotta Serve Somebody Steven & Kelly Brumm

2nd Scripture Joshua 1: 1-9

Sermon

The Table of Our Lord

We are Invited *Bread for Everyone*

Our Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer
Every Time I Feel the Spirit

*** Hymn** *Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us* (NCH 583)

*** Benediction**

The love and affection of the angels be to you...

Postlude *Day by Day* (from Godspell)

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Welcome done right!

We share a communion meal of bread and wine here every Sunday. In this church the communion table is open to everyone. Whoever you are, wherever you come from, whatever brought you here, whatever you believe or don't believe, we want you to leave this place well fed and nourished. When it's time to eat, please feel free to take your place at the table.

Join us downstairs for our potluck Sunday Brunch immediately following the worship service. Especially if you are visiting and even if you didn't bring any food, you are invited and welcome. Enjoy Mt. Vernon's generous *Church 2.0*.

Serving in Worship on October 14, 2018

Greeter: Vic & Liz Babler

Ushers: Gerhard & Sonja Luetschwager

Audio Tech: Alan Ferguson

Reader: Lorna Brookins

Serving Communion: Deb Anderson & Margy Murray

Communion Bread: Margy Murray

Dishwashers: Deb Anderson, Judy Hale & &

Pizza Church re-convenes around the Council Room table next Sunday evening, October 14, at 6 p.m. for young folks 13 years old and up (and their parents). This is church done different! Eat pizza, drink lemonade and discuss topics of great importance for the lives you are living today. This week — "Friends and Bullies; How are you navigating school?"

Knock Knock Middle School Retreat 6th-8th graders

November 16-18, 2018 - Pilgrim Center

Music--Team building activities--Improv games--Youth group bonding

We are trying to get a middle school group together at our church and this would be a great place to start. Please contact Mary Penninga.

Waffle Church is back! Oct. 21, 4:30-6:00 PM (at an earlier time)

Informal worship service that lifts up children and connects across generations. Includes music, story, crafts, and a meal of homemade waffles dripping with warm maple syrup and butter. Don't forget the whipped cream!

Sunday School Reminder (for children K thru 6th grade): On the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of a month the kids are in the sanctuary until after the Story Box time. After the story they are downstairs with Mary Penninga, returning to the sanctuary for communion. On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of a month Sunday School begins at 10:15 downstairs, returning to the sanctuary in time for communion. If you have any questions about the program talk to Mary Penninga or Judy Hale. Thanks for sharing your children with us!

Monthly Offering Status:

September Budget: \$ 8,909 September Collected: \$ 8,348

October Budget: \$8,187

Totals for Year:

Offering budget end-of-September: \$ 73,493

Offering collected year-to-date: \$ 73,019

The Fair Trade, Organic coffee for the adult Bible Study and our Sunday brunch comes from the Youth Ministries coffee kiosk. **25 cents a cup** will cover our cost and provide a small profit for our Youth Ministries Projects. Baskets for your donations are on the tables in the dining room.

Thanks for your support!

Welcome Done Right

Responding to the grace of God, the Mt Vernon Zwingli United Church of Christ is an Open and Affirming congregation. We welcome all persons, including those of all races, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, family structures, faith backgrounds, abilities and economic circumstances. We recognize all people as children of God, welcome all people to worship and serve with us and consider all who come to be a necessary part of this fellowship with all its privileges and responsibilities.

If this doesn't include you let us know and we will enlarge our welcome.