

Participating in Worship Today

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| Piano & Organ | Julie von Eschen |
| Song Leaders | Steve & Kelly Brumm |
| Greeter: | Pete & Delores Way |
| Ushers: | Pete & Delores Way |
| Audio Tech: | Alan Ferguson |
| Reader: | Delores Way |
| Communion Bread: | Aimee Gauger |
| Serving Communion: | Margy Murray & Steve Gauger |
| Coffee Hour: | POTLUCK!!! |
| Ministers | All the People |
| 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 sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.
Amen*

*Mercy,
within Mercy, within
Mercy*

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19th Sunday after Pentecost!!

October 15, 2017

Greeting

Silence

Lamentations 3:22-26

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. 'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in God.' The Lord is good to those who wait, to the soul that seeks. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

Prelude

Fairest Lord Jesus

1st Song

Rest

* 2nd Song

Higher Ground

* Prayer...

from **Psalm 71**

In you, O Lord, we take refuge; let us never be put to shame. In your righteousness deliver us and rescue us; incline your ear to us and save us. Be a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save us, for you are our rock and our fortress. Rescue us, O God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel. For you, O Lord, are our hope.

L:

Anyone!

By God's grace today we are forgiven and made whole, and so we all say:

Thanks be to God!

*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.*

Story Box

Offering

The Avowal

Denise Levertov

As swimmers dare
to lie face to the sky
and water bears them,
as hawks rest upon air
and air sustains them,
so would I learn to attain
free fall, and float
into Creator Spirit's deep embrace,
knowing no effort earns
that all-surrounding grace.

Offertory

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*** Response** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow!*

*** Prayer of Dedication (Unison)**

Use these gifts we bring aid the hands that heal and the hearts that reconcile. May we shine the light of the gospel into the night around us and be the blessing you desire for the world you love. Amen.

1st Scripture Reading

I Samuel 3. 1-6

2nd Scripture Reading

I Samuel 1. 1-2

Sermon

The Table of Our Lord

We are invited

Come to the table and be fed

Our Prayers of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray...

*** 3rd Song #42** *All People that On Earth Do Dwell*

*** Benediction** *Let the Lord's light shine
Shine into the brightness of our day.
Take the light and hold it high
Make it dear to you and I
That we might show the way.*

Postlude

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Please remember with your prayers, cards, and calls:

Victims of the new wildfires in northern California
Victims, survivors and families of the shooting in Las Vegas
Victims of hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Katia, Jose and Maria, and especially
the people of Puerto Rico another Caribbean islands
Donna & Roger Stoll; Brad and Jessica Stoll

*If you would like to submit a name or concern for this prayer list
please call or email the church office. Thanks.*

Serving in Worship on October 22, 2017

Greeter: Florence Beutler

Ushers: Mark & Joyce Landmark

Audio Tech: Alan Ferguson

Reader: Jeff Jenkins

Communion Bread: Joyce Landmark

Serving Communion: Mark & Joyce Landmark

Dishwashers:

Coffee Hour: POTLUCK!!

Remember—we are continuing our experiment with POTLUCK!!! coffee hours for the next few months. As always, bring a little of what you have and all will be well fed. If you aren't able to bring something for any reason, please stay and eat anyway. **If you are visiting with us we hope you will be our guest.** You will likely leave repeating our "brag line" — "*the finest coffee hour in Dane County*".

This is quilt raffle ticket selling time. Because I am usually in the kitchen on Sunday mornings, helping set up for the potluck, no one is sitting at the table, selling those tickets. It's a "do it yourself" kind of thing, so help yourself, mark your name on the sheet, and how many tickets you've bought.. I am trusting you to put the correct amount of money in the plastic box holding the cash. Take change if necessary. Tickets cost \$1 each, or you can get 6 for \$5. A real deal! The winning ticket will be drawn the first Sunday in November. Thank you.

Waffle Church Tonight!

Informal, fun, and often messy

Homemade waffles and merry-making.

Sunday, October 15, 2017

5:00 - 6:30 PM Waffle Church Program and communal clean-up

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We will begin in the sanctuary for singing and story telling and then move downstairs for craft, meal, and closing.

All ages and people welcome!

RSVP greatly appreciated!

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1676510222383448/>

We use real plates and glasses at our brunch because we like serving guests on our "fine china" and because we want to send less trash to the landfill every week. But with our Potluck!! experiment going so well we are feeding more food to more people and have more to clean up. We need many hands to make light work of it. So, in the spirit of the early church where all things were held common and everybody helped out—we have added lines for dishwashers to our Serving in Worship sign up sheet. Please sign up when you can. Thanks to everyone for creating what really is "*the finest coffee hour in Dane County*".

Pete Way is looking for WILD GRAPES to use in his wine making this year. If you have any to share or know where he might find some, please give him a call at 832—6285 Thanks.

All Saints Day request for pictures

In the church year the first Sunday in November is All Saints Day (November 5th this year). As we have for the last many years, we will remember and celebrate the lives of loved ones we have lost with a video memorial. If you have lost someone in the last year and would like to have them included in the memorial, I need to get from you 3 or 4 pictures, along with birth and death dates. Ideally, I'd like to have photographs from different periods in the person's life. It works best if you can email the pictures to me at mtvucc@gmail.com. If you only have physical copies of photos, I can take those, scan them into my computer and return them to you quickly. We include in this memorial anybody you'd like to include--they do not have to have direct connections to this congregation, only a connection to you.

I will need to have the photos by October 29 so I can finish the video memorial by November 5. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Brad Brookins

The Mt Vernon Mom's Group and Mt Vernon UCC invite you to a

Halloween Party and Potluck

Fellowship Hall, Mt Vernon United Church of Christ

Halloween Eve—October 31st

4:00 - 5:00 PM Toddler and Family-friendly mini pumpkin painting, trick or treating, spooky music, and more!

5:00 - 6:00 PM **Potluck** - Come, bring a dish to share, and take advantage of this fun opportunity to see the little children of Mt Vernon in their Halloween costumes and meet their families.

RSVP maryp@mtvernonucc.org

Looking for people to help set up and clean up! Email me if you're interested!

Community Clothes Closet November Blanket Drive

It's getting to be that time of year when all you want to do is come home and cozy up under a warm blanket. This fall, the Community Clothes Closet would like to provide that same comfortable feeling to all of our neighbors in the area.

We're holding our annual Throw Blanket Drive throughout the month of November, with donations accepted at your church and at the Clothes Closet, 102 E. Front St. in Mount Horeb, during open hours on Nov. 11 (10 a.m. to noon), Nov. 16 (5 to 7 p.m.) and Nov. 25 (10 a.m. to noon).

Although we accept blankets of all types, we have a special need for throw blankets, which measure about 4 feet by 6 feet. They're a popular size because they're versatile, fit people of all ages, and are easy to store away in the summer.

We also accept monetary donations to purchase blankets and other winter weather clothing and accessories.

Thanks for your support of the Community Clothes Closet, which provides gently used clothing, footwear, and bedding to our neighbors in need at no cost. For more info on our organization, visit our Facebook page or email us at cclothescloset@gmail.com.

Every Body Yoga Resumes meets in the fellowship hall at noon on Mondays and Saturdays. Our class is for both beginners and seasoned practitioners of yoga. This Hatha Yoga practice is breath focused and meditative. \$5.00 per session. Sessions are 75 minutes long. Everyone is welcome!