

## Participating in Worship Today

Pianist:	Julie von Eschen
Song Leaders:	Steven & Kelly Brumm
Greeter:	Mark & Joyce Landmark
Ushers:	Mark & Joyce Landmark
Reader:	Barbara Schmidt
Audio Tech:	Alan Ferguson
Communion Bread:	Aimee Gauger
Serving Communion:	Steve & Aimee Gauger
Counting Crew:	Palmer & Lydia Haynes
Dishwashers:	Margy Murray, Deb Anderson, & &
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*

*“Give your servant an understanding  
mind...able to discern good from evil...”*

*I Kings 3. 4-28*

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22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

October 21, 2018

**Greeting**

**Into Silence**

*Matthew 22. 34-40*

**Prelude**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

**\* 1<sup>st</sup> Song**

*For the Living of this Hour*

**\* Prayer**

In times of trouble such as these are, we pray for your Spirit to awaken our memory. Re-mind us that your love always wins, even when it loses. Re-mind us that your peace is stronger than power and weapons are worse than useless. Re-mind us that generosity makes life possible and kindness makes life pleasant. Creator God, the abundance of this world, the dear lives that touch our own, the hope that carries us forward – all these are gifts beyond our describing. We pray, O God that they will not be beyond our protection and care. “Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of *this hour*” we pray. Amen.

**\* Promise**

**Psalm 103**

*As far as  
the east is from the west  
so far God removes our transgressions from us...*

**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*

**Story Box**

**What's Happening!**

**Offering**

“Otherwise”

Jane Kenyon

*I got out of bed  
on two strong legs...*

**Offering Music**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

**\* 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:** Like the turning of the seasons our hearts turn again to you, our Generous God, and we praise you for your gifts to us. Bless what we bring today. Use it and use us to serve your people and to give honor to your name. Amen.

**1st Scripture**

I Kings 3: 5-6; 9-15

**2nd Scripture**

I Kings 3: 16-28

**Sermon**

**The Table of Our Lord**

**We are Invited**

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

**\* Song**

*O Master, Let Me Walk with You*

**\* Benediction**

**Postlude**

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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.

**And then 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 28, 2018**

Greeter: Palmer & Lydia Haynes  
Ushers: Pete & Delores Way  
Audio Tech: Alan Ferguson  
Reader: Margy Murray  
Communion Bread: Judy Hale  
Serving Communion: Deb Anderson &  
Counting Crew: Barbara & Dumont Schmidt  
Dishwashers: Lorna Brookins, Deb Anderson, Palmer & Lydia Haynes

## **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:**

October Budget: \$ 8,187      October Collected: \$ 4,544  
Totals for Year:

Offering budget end-of-October: \$ 81,680

Offering collected year-to-date: \$ 77,563

**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!*

**Our All Saints Day** Celebration of Remembrance will be held on November 4 this year. If you have lost a friend or family member in the last year and would like to have them included in our video memorial please email 4 or 5 photographs (or deliver paper copies to photos to be scanned) to [church@mtvernonucc.org](mailto:church@mtvernonucc.org). We do not limit the memorial to people who were connected to this congregation. You are welcome to include anyone you have loved and lost. Talk to Brad if you have any questions. Thanks.