



# Mount Vernon

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## The Messenger

### Mark Your Calendar



**Tuesday thru Friday**

8:30 to 2:30

Lynn McDonald

Administrative Assistant

**January 1**

**Office and SBS Closed**

**January 9**

**MVMW at 11 am**

**at Panda House**

**January 14**

**Leadership Team at 6 pm**

**January 15**

**All Church Visioning Meeting**

**at 6:30 pm**

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### Coming Soon

February 4	Leadership Team at 6 pm
February 11	MVMW at 11 am
February 26	Ash Wednesday Service

# January 2020

## Leadership

### Lead Usher:

Marilyn Meyer

### Audio/Visual Technology:

David McDonald &  
Emily Horrell

### Offering Counters:

Peggy Pyle  
& Robin Tate

### Bus Driver:

Volunteer Needed

### Children's Sunday School

Danielle Tabor

### Check Us Out Online!

Check out our homepage at  
[www.mtvunited.org](http://www.mtvunited.org) and leave  
us a message!

### Save Your Best Choice!

Keep up the good work finding  
Best Choice Labels Happy New  
Year to all.

Judy Kitchen

Please make sure the number  
underneath the barcode starts  
with "70038", these numbers  
denote the Best Choice brand. You  
are appreciated and you are  
helping fund the education of our  
children.

Every day that we wake up is a new chance to do things right. To walk as Jesus walked, to love others, to serve and give and heal.

Sometimes we celebrate these days. Today as I type this it's New Years Day...a new year, new month, new decade! I think that's reason enough to celebrate, but also reason enough to pause and focus on our goals, prayers, and hopes for what's next.

What's next for you? Is it to be richer? To be thinner, stronger, more successful? Or is it to walk with the One who was humble, meek, homeless, and yet the Savior of us all?

I'm just saying...it might be worth thinking about as we wake up this morning...and start again.

## January's Dates to Remember:



## Emmaus

Our local Emmaus Reunion group is meeting on Mondays at 5:30 pm at the Church. We encourage anyone who has attended or if you just wants some information to come and find out what Emmaus is all about.

## The Mustard Seeds

We are continuing the study:

IF YOU WANT TO WALK ON WATER,  
YOU HAVE TO GET OUT OF THE BOAT.

We meet every Sunday morning in room 103 right after morning worship. If you have children, there is an excellent Sunday School for them to learn valuable lessons about Jesus while we fellowship and share ideas.



## Sunday Evening Small Group

The Sonshine Group meets Sundays at the Church at 5 pm for study and finishes up with a potluck dinner at 6 pm. All are invited to come and enjoy the Word and fellowship.



### NEW YEAR PRAYER:

Thank You Lord for giving me  
The brand new year ahead.  
Help me live the way I should  
As each new day I tread.  
Give me gentle wisdom  
That I might help a friend,  
Give me strength and courage  
So a shoulder I might lend.  
The year ahead is empty,  
Help me fill it with good things  
Each new day filled with joy  
And happiness it brings.  
Amen.

The Daily Bible Verses

<http://thedailyverses.blogspot.com> • [www.facebook.com/thedailybibleverses](http://www.facebook.com/thedailybibleverses)

**Youth  
Sunday Morning  
Study**  
**Starting after Worship**  
**The Book of Acts**



Do you surf the web? Have a Facebook page? Like us on Facebook or you can get an update on what is going on at Church on our website:

**[www.mtvunited.org](http://www.mtvunited.org)**

If you would like to announce an event you can email the church office at:

**[office@mtvunited.org](mailto:office@mtvunited.org)**

or drop off your item in the “website/social media” mailbox outside the church office.

### Way-to-Go

Do you need a way to go? If so, there may be an answer to your dilemma! Our transportation ministry assists in transporting church members to such places such as doctor appointments, the grocery store, or to other nearby places. There is no cost for this service.

However, a minimum of 48 hours notice is required. For more information, or to schedule a ride call Ann Knott at 417-466-8575.



# January Spotlight



## **Church Visioning Meeting**

**Wednesday, January 15th at 6:30 pm**

- ♦ Where have we been?
- ♦ Where are we going?
- ♦ How will we get there?

Everyone is encouraged to attend and help us to set our goals  
for 2020 and beyond.

### We Need You

We now have a sign-up for Worship Volunteers for 2020!!! We need your help to make Worship time successful.

Please sign up to:

count money  
usher  
operate the PowerPoint  
drive the bus.



### MVMW Mt. Vernon Methodist Women



**TO: ALL LADIES of the CHURCH**

We had a nice Christmas Brunch at the Red Barn in December. We are making plans for the coming year.

Our January meeting will be at the

**Panda House at 11 am, on**

**Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**. Note the change of day for this month. Jeannie Meier will be our hostess. We will continue to make plans for the coming year. Come join us if you can. Everyone is welcome.

Happy New Year to one and all.

Judy Kitchen