



Mount Vernon

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Messenger

Mark Your Calendar

All in person activities depend
on current COVID-19 protocols.



Monday Thru Thursday
8:30 to 2:30
Lynn McDonald
Administrative Assistant

June 7

Leadership Team at 6 pm

June 11-13

Annual Conference

June 20

Happy Father's Day!!

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Coming Soon

July 4	Happy Independence Day!!
July 5	Leadership Team
July 5-9	SBS Closed



June 2021 Leadership

Lead Usher
Mike Pyle

Audio/Visual
David & Lynn
McDonald

Offering Counters
Marilyn Meyer
& Hope Morris

Kingdom Kids
Volunteer Needed

Bus Driver
Volunteers Needed

First United Methodist Church
Worship 9 am
Sunday School 10 am

Check Us Out Online!

Check out our homepage at
www.mtvunited.org and leave
us a message!

Save Your Best Choice!

We've only received 135 labels so far this year. That's a long way from the 1,000 needed to receive the reward check. As we start getting out more, you might choose to shop at a bigger store that offers Best Choice items. We appreciate any Best Choice labels you can donate. Thanks.

Buy Best Choice items when you can and save the labels for us. Thanks to all who help with this project.

Stay safe.

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.

**HAPPY
FATHER'S DAY**

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A Note From Pastor Donnie

Everyone Needs Some R and R

As you read this I will have completed half of my vacation. I will have attended my #1 Granddaughter's high school graduation and am probably on the beach near Wilmington, North Carolina right now. Everyone needs some R and R (rest and recreation).

Or do they? Did Jesus ever take a vacation?

Jesus didn't take a vacation from who he was (Christ). Jesus didn't take a vacation from his faith (most of what we might call a vacation for Jesus involved going to the mountains to pray). But he did get away from the crowds and the rigors of ministry from time to time (Matthew 14:22, Mark 6:45, Luke 4:42, John 6:15). He also took time to visit friends like Mary, Martha and Lazarus (Luke 10:38-42). Also, a cursory observation of the Jewish feast days reveals God's desire for His people to R and R. The Jewish calendar has a lot of party time built in.

So, am I trying to convince you that my vacation is a spiritual event? Maybe, but I'm also encouraging YOU to make some time for R and R. If Jesus did it and God required it of His people, then you should do it, too! Everyone needs some R and R!

Just make sure you don't take a vacation from who you are in Christ.

The above message is approved by God, I'm pretty sure. At least, the Scripture references are.

Yep! Of that I am confident. 😁

I love you all and will be excited to worship with you again on June 13th.

Pastor Donnie



Happy
Father's
Day!



My Father ...

loves me	John 3:16
cares for me	Matt 6:26
forgives me	Psalms 103:12
is Compassionate	Psalms 103:4-5
is Giving	Romans 8:32
is Understanding	Psalms 139:1-2
is Accepting	Psalms 139:1-6
Satisfies	Psalms 107:9
Persistently Pursues me	Luke 19:10
is Reason	Isaiah 1:18
Pardons	Psalms 103:3
Heals	Isaiah 53:5
Redeems	Job 19:25
is loving-Kindness	Psalms 86:15
Renews	Isaiah 40:31
is Righteous	Jeremiah 9:23-24
is Gracious	Ephesians 1:7-8
is Sovereign	Psalms 103:19

Please keep the following
in your prayers:



General Prayer Requests

Ian McDonald

Those battling COVID-19
and their families

Cancer Treatment

Chris Atkinson

Health and Healing

Jim Greene

Jean McDonald

Military

Nathan Harralson

Lt. Anthony Richardson

Landon Hull

Lt. Jonathan Healey

Jacob Lamkins

Our people in the nursing homes:

Mt. Vernon Place Care

1425 S Landrum St

Mt. Vernon

Shawna Woolsey

Lawrence County Manor

915 Carl Allen Dr

Mt. Vernon

Wilma Wood

Lucille Newkirk

Oak Pointe of Monett

1011 Old Airport Rd

Monett, MO 65708

Lonnie Baugh



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

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

office@mtvunited.org

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

MVMW Mt. Vernon Methodist Women

TO: ALL LADIES of the CHURCH

Our May meeting was at the Panda House on May 13th . We had 11 members present. We were thanked for helping with the SBS graduation on May 7, and also thanked for helping with the Garage sale. Our hostess Judy Kitchen had a devotional about letting go of our negative feelings and behaviors and being thankful for the grace of God. Whatever we do, we must do it in the name of Jesus and always give thanks to God.

We decided to take the summer off and meet in September (date to be decided later). During this time, we will continue helping with the Backpack program, the Festival of Sharing, and SBS. We also remind everyone we have lots of good books for reading in the library.

Have a wonderful summer.

Judy Kitchen



Emmaus

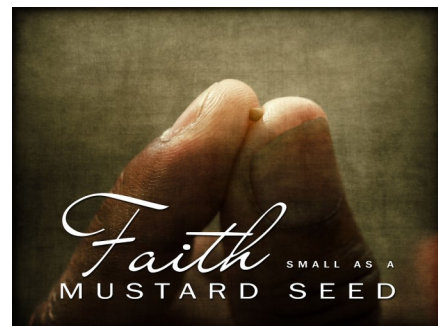
Our local Emmaus Reunion group meets at 5:30 pm on the first and third Thursdays at the Church. We encourage anyone who have attended or if you just wants some information to come and find out what the Walk to Emmaus is all about.

The Mustard Seeds

Planting seeds in faith

Our Small Group meets in Room 103 after Sunday morning worship. We are a multigenerational adult group, our format is casually studying, sharing, and fellowshiping together. We've started a new study: “When Christ Comes” by Max Lucado.

Due to the informal nature of the group,
drop-ins are always welcome!





We have an Emergency Food Pantry. We are stocked and ready to help anyone who June need something to eat. If you know of anyone who might need this service please let them know we are here. We have premade bags for singles, couples, and families.

The pantry is open Monday through Thursday
8:30 am to 2:30 pm.

A New
Small Group

Climbing

A New
Small Group

In A
Caving World

We have started a new small group at Annette and Donnie's home
address is 17665 Lawrence 2075.

"Climbing in a Caving World" is a Beth Moore Study.

We will meet twice a month from 6:30 to 8:30 pm,
our first meeting in June will be June 14th.

The format will be as follows:

spend the first 30 minutes getting to know each other better,
watch the video,
then discuss and close with a prayer time.

Save the Date!!

July 4

On Sunday, July 4th, let's have a picnic at the Spirit of 76 Pavilion right after church. Bring your own meat to grill, drinks, and a dish to share. You may grill your own or someone will be available to grill it for you. Plastic ware and plates will be provided. Some of us are going to stick around and swim at the pool. It opens at 2:00. To cap off a wonderful day, let's meet back at the church at dusk and shoot off fireworks. BYOF.



Potluck Dinner



July 11

Sunday, July 11th Pastor Donnie will be finishing up his sermon series on prayer. We will conclude this with a potluck after church and show the movie "War Room" in the sanctuary.