## The Messenger

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# MTV MountVernon

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lead Usher Mike Pyle

Audio/Visual David, Lynn McDonald & Jill Hauswirth

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Kingdom Kids Volunteer Needed

Transportation Volunteer Needed



Please be in prayer for the following:

General Prayer Requests

**Cancer Treatment** Robin Tate Chris Atkinson Matt Thomas

Health and Healing Nick Tate

Jim Greene Jean McDonald

**Military** Nathan Harralson Lt. Anthony Richardson Landon Hull Lt. Jonathan Healey



#### February Events

- 5 Leadership Team after Worship
- 7 MVMW at 11 am at the Red Barn Women of the Word resumes at 6 pm
- 12 Chili Cookoff after Worship
- 14 MVMW at 11 am
- 21 Women of the Word at 6 pm
- 22 Ash Wednesday Service at 6 pm
- 26 Conference Meeting with Jon Thompson after Worship
- 28 Caps for Kids resume at 6 pm

#### **Upcoming Events**

March 12 Daylight Savings Time Begins

#### Wednesday Activities

SBS Chapel at 10 am Bible Study at 5 pm Youth at 5:30 pm



10:30 - 4:30 Monday - Thursday Lynn McDonald Administrative Assistant

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#### Dear Church Family,

#### Have you ever heard this, "DON'T SWEAT THE SMALL STUFF!"?

There is some truth to this, but, REALLY? Sometimes it's the small stuff that ends up getting us down. One of the problems is that we tend to think God is not concerned with the small stuff. We think that God is too busy to be bothered or that He doesn't care about our little bitty issues.

"Just push it under the surface and forget about it."

The problem is, when it is under the surface it festers, then doesn't stay under the surface and we can't forget about it.

So, what is the solution?

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. –Philippians 4:6-7

Dr. G. Campbell Morgan, the great preacher of a century ago, once gave a compelling sermon about how believers in Christ should bring every request before God. After the service, an elderly woman walked up to him and asked, "Dr. Morgan, should I really bring my every little request to God? Doesn't He have so much more to be concerned about than my little request?"
G. Campbell Morgan looked at the lady with a gleam in his eye and said, "Madam, can you conceive of anything that's not small to God?"
God can handle all of your stuff, so, do not hesitate to give them ALL to Him.

Blessings,

Pastor Donnie



Caps for Kids is a ministry in which we make all cotton surgical caps for kids. They are donated to Mercy Kids in Springfield. There are jobs for all levels from cutting circles, cut elastic, run the elastic, and sewing the caps. Caps For Kids will meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Caps for Kids will resume on Tuesday, February 28th at 6 pm Come and join us!



#### Planting seeds in faith

Lenten Study The Mustard Seeds will start a Lenten study titled: "Jesus In The Wild". Jesus in the Wild is a close look into the meaning within the remarkable scene in Luke 4:1-14 of Jesus being challenged by the devil in the untamed and unruly wilderness. We will view and discuss a 6 video series presented by Dan Wilt. Dan has served the development of disciples internationally through his speaking and resources. He is part of the Seedbed Farm Team.

The Mustard Seeds can be found after Sunday morning Worship in Room 103. It's a casual, multigenerational small group. Walk-ins welcome!!



Women of the Word will resume meeting on the first and third Tuesdays at 6 pm starting on Tuesday, February 7th!!!

The study is titled: "Seamless, Understanding the Bible as One Complete Story" by Angie Smith.

"Angie shows you how the whole Bible - From Genesis through Revelation - connects as one beautiful, seamless thread."

This is a very sweet, effective presentation of how to see the Bible as a single and complete story without getting caught up in the genealogy, laws, and hard to pronounce names.

Come and Join us!!

#### Mt Vernon Methodist Women

TO: ALL LADIES of the CHURCH:

Our January meeting had 10 ladies present. We thanked Sue Chappell for doing the Christmas lunch for the SBS staff. Our business included:

- helping with the SBS Graduation in May
- plans to honor our senior graduates

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- take part in the Super Bowl/Valentine Dinner
- a project for the year to give \$50 to the Church Food Pantry every 2 months.

Martha had the devotion about "The Courage to Change".

#### Our February Meeting is the 1st Tuesday, February 7th at 11 am at the Red Barn.

Ann Knott will have the Hostess/ Devotion. All ladies are welcome to come.

Happy Valentine's Day



Jeaus Is The Greatest Valentine

Jesus is the greatest Valentine; His love will never cease to be. His love is bigger than the world; I'm so glad that Jesus loves me.

Jesus is the greatest Valentine; His heart is bigger than the sea. And He always fills my beart with joy; I'm so glad that Jesus loves me.

Yes He is the greatest valentine; I will rejoice eternally. I will lift my voice with all my heart; I'm so glad that Jesus loves me.

> Susan Y Nikitenko February 3rd, 2012











Thank you for your generosity with our "Cash For Backpacks" collections. Our January "Cash For Backpacks" collection brought in \$41.50. **Our next Cash for Backpacks collection is** <u>Sunday, February 5th</u>.

You can also bring your donation anytime to the Church office.

We will continue the Cash for Backpacks collections on the first Sunday of every month. Now the work begins in preparing for next year. We need your help to make this a successful ministry.





# FEBRUARY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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5 Cash for Backpacks Leadership Team after Worship	6	<b>7</b> MVMW at 11 am WOW at 6 pm	8 SBS Chapel at 10am Bible Study at 5 pm Youth at 5:30 pm	9	10	11
<b>12</b> Chili Cook Off Valentine and Super Bowl Party after Worship		14 HAPPY Valentine's Day	<b>15</b> SBS Chapel at 10am Bible Study at 5 pm Youth at 5:30 pm	16	17	18
<b>19</b> Praise Team 8 am Mustard Seeds after Worship	20	<b>21</b> WOW at 6 pm	22 SBS Chapel at 10am Ash Wednesday Service at 6 pm	23	24	25
<b>26</b> Praise Team 8 am Conference Meeting with Jon Thompson after Worship	27	28 Caps for Kids at 6 pm	1 SBS Chapel at 10am Bible Study at 5 pm Youth at 5:30 pm	2	3	4

# **LENTEN CON CALENDAR**

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19	20	21	22 Ash Wednesday A coin for every lamp. 1 Peter 5:6	<b>23</b> A coin for every light switch. Isaiah 58:6	<b>24</b> A coin for every candle. Psalm 42:2	25 A coin for every flashlight (include your smartphone). Joel 2:12-14
26 Pray today, thanking God for the gift of light. Pray for those who live in darkness.	<b>27</b> A coin for every box of cereal. Matthew 6:21	28 A coin for every can of soup. Lamentations 3:25				

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			<b>1</b> A coin for every type of bread. Isaiah 30:18	2 A coin for every jar of jelly. Psalm 27:14	<b>3</b> A coin for every bottle of salad dressing. Matthew 6:18-18	<b>4</b> A coin for every ja of peanut butter. Isaiah 40:31	
<b>5</b> Pray today, thanking God for the food you enjoy. Pray for those who have no food this day.	<b>6</b> A coin for every ball cap or hat. Psalm 33:20-22	<b>7</b> A coin for every pair of shoes. Psalm 130:5-6	8 A coin for every pair of jeans or pants. Micah 7:7	<b>9</b> A coin for every coat. Romans 12:12	10 A coin for every t-shirt. Hosea 12:6	<b>11</b> A coin for every sweatshirt. Matthew 6:33	
12 Pray today, thanking God for clothing that protects you from the elements. Pray for those who lack clothing to keep them warm and dry.	<b>13</b> A coin for every ball or piece of athletic equipment. 1 Peter 5:6-7	14 A coin for every electronic video game. Galatians 5:5	15 A coin for every smart device (phones, tablets, etc.). Jeremiah 29:12	<b>16</b> A coin for every televison. Psalm 33:20-22	17 A coin for every doll or stuffed animal. Psalm 62:5	18 A coin for every board or card game. Psalm 25:4-5	
19 Pray today, thanking God for how you can enjoy entertainment in your home. Pray for those who would be grateful for just one of these items.	20 A coin for every box of band-aids. Mark 1:12-15	<b>21</b> A coin for every bottle of vitamins. Matthew 4:1-7	22 A coin for every box of tissues. Matthew 4:8-11	23 A coin for every bottle of hand sanitizer. Philippians 3:10-11	24 A coin for every toothbrush and tube of toothpaste. John 10:10	<b>25</b> A coin for every cough drop in your house. John 16:33	
<b>26</b> Pray today, thanking God for your health. Pray for those who are sick.	27 A coin for every room in your home. Zephaniah 3:17	28 A coin for every electrical outlet in your home. John 3:14-18	29 A coin for every chair in your home. Micah 5:4	<b>30</b> A coin for every desk (virtual work/ school) in your home. Joel 2:1-2	<b>31</b> A coin for every bathroom. Zechariah 9:9		

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					9	1 A coin for every bed. Luke 19:28-35
2 Palm Sunday Pray today, thanking God for shelter. Pray for those who have no place to sleep at night.	<b>3</b> A coin for every Bible. Luke 19:36-40	<b>4</b> A coin for every book of hymns or sacred songs in your home. Luke 19:41-42	<b>5</b> A coin for every cross in your home. Luke 22:14-23	<b>6</b> A coin for every prayer you say today. Luke 22:44-46	7 A coin for every story of Jesus you can tell. Luke 23:50-56	8 A coin for every person in your family. Luke 24:1-6
9 Easter Sunday Pray, thanking God for J ways we can gather and those who will receive t they would see God's pr	worship God. Pray for he coins collected that	11	12	13	14	15