

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, April 25th	10:30 am	Worship In Person
Wednesday, April 28th	8:00 am	Prayer Meeting (Zoom) (Call 606-5009 with prayer concerns or to join)
Sunday, May 2nd	10:30 am	Worship In Person
	2:00 pm	Bell Choir Concert-Fairgrounds Youth Bldg

The **Viroqua Community Bell Choir** has been practicing with masks and distancing at an airport hanger in preparation for a **spring concert** that includes varied music from the classics, Gershwin, swing, Star Wars, and more. The concert will also feature a dance performance to "Blue Tango" by Ben Hansen and Kathy Lofton. The concert will be **Sunday, May 2, at 2 p.m.** at the **Vernon County Fairgrounds Youth Building**, which is just north of the old bathrooms. The building has big, open doors so there will be good ventilation. Social distancing and masks are recommended. All are welcome.

**Church-Wide Rummage Sale**—Plans are underway to host a church-wide rummage sale sometime this summer. If you have items you'd like to donate, call the office to arrange for drop-off.

Remember the Good Samaritan fund as you think about your giving. There are needs we'd like help address.

**Prayer List: Bud, Annabel, Mae, Ramona, Pat, Jean, Danny, Lisa, Erma, Youth Program, those suffering from COVID.**



## Viroqua United Methodist Church

### Our Prayer

God, the giver of life, generous giver of gifts and abilities, help us discover our talents and have the courage to use them to serve you and our community with unimagined new purposes on behalf of Jesus Christ. Amen.



Viroqua UMC  
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## Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25th, 2021

10:30 a.m.

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Pastor: Rev. Erika Martinez-Flores

Organists: Barb Casper  
Kathy Hanson

Choir: Irene Fortney

Secretary: Kathy Hanson  
Barb Casper

Custodian: Jim Porter

April 25, 2021

## ***Fourth Sunday of Easter***

*Viroqua UMC Worship Service—Sunday, 10:30 A.M.*

*Please turn off all cell phones and electronics*

*\*\*Please stand if you are able*

### **PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE**

**“PRAYER”**

*by Mark Davis*

**\*\*RINGING OF THE BELL**

**\*\*GREETING**

The Suffering Servant becomes the healing source. The stone rejected becomes hope's cornerstone. The Crucified One is raised to new life. The God of healing, hope and life is in our midst: Let us celebrate and worship our good God!

**WELCOMING WORDS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CALLED TO WORSHIP**

**\*\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L. We rejoice in the One who leads us beside still waters,  
**P. And gives us refreshment of soul.**

L. Christ our Shepherd shows us the way we should go,  
**P. So that the name of God will be glorified.**

L. Though all manner of evil befalls us, we will not be afraid,  
**P. For the Great Shepherd of our souls is with us.**

L. We are never away from the love and mercy of the Lord,  
**P. And we shall be with him for ever and ever. Amen!**

**\*\*HYMN** “COME YE FAITHFUL, RAISE THE STRAIN” UMH No. 315

**\*\*OPENING PRAYER** (*in unison*)

O Good Shepherd, you desire to guide all into safety, refreshment and peace. Meet us here today and fill us with your love, that we may look into your world with your loving knowledge, welcome our sisters and brothers with your joy, and offer our lives with your generosity as members of your beloved community. In your name we pray, Amen.

### **CALLED TO REFLECTION**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**PSALM 23**

**PEW BIBLE NO. 662**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

**ACTS 4: 5-12**

**PEW BIBLE NO. 1321**

**\*\*GOSPEL READING**

**JOHN 10: 11-18**

**PEW BIBLE NO. 1296**

L. This is the word of God for the people of God.

**P. Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

**“WHERE IS YOUR SHEPHERD?”**

**BARB ROBSON**

**\*\*HYMN OF REAFFIRMATION**

**“HE LEADETH ME”**

**UMH NO. 128**

### **CALLED TO COMMUNITY AND TO SHARE**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**SILENT PRAYER, COMMUNITY PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER**

**OFFERING**

**“FAIREST LORD JESUS”**

*arr. by Richard Willis*

**\*\*DOXOLOGY**

**UMH No. 95**

**\*\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**\*\*CLOSING HYMN**

**“THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD”**

**UMH No. 136**

### **SENT TO SERVE**

**\*\*SENDING FORTH** (*in unison*)

**My dearest Lord; Be Thou a bright flame before me. Be Thou a guiding star above me. Be Thou a smooth path beneath me. Be Thou a kindly shepherd behind me. Today and evermore.**

**\*\*APOSTOLIC BENEDICTION**

**\*\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

**“TREES OF THE FIELD”**

**TFWS NO. 2279**

**\*\*RINGING OF THE BELL**

**\*\*POSTLUDE**

**“GET ALL EXCITED”**

*by William Gaither*

The bulletins this morning are given by Barb Casper in memory of her mother, Fran Johnson, whose birthday was on this date, April 25th.