

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, May 2nd	10:30 am	Worship In Person
	2:00 pm	Bell Choir Concert– Fairgrounds Youth Bldg
Monday, May 3rd	1:00 pm	Care & Nurture Committee
Wednesday, May 5th	8:00 am	Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
		(Call 606-5009 with prayer concerns or to join)
Thursday, May 6th	6:00 pm	Worship Committee
Saturday, May 8th	1:00 pm	Ken Turner Celebration of Life @VFW Shelter - Please follow COVID protocol
Sunday, May 9th	10:30 am	Worship In Person— MOTHER'S DAY
	6:00 pm	Jones Book Study Group
Sunday, May 23rd	11:30	Meatball Sub Fundraiser

Meatball Subs, May 23rd—Order blanks for the meatball sub meal are in the pews. Leave your orders in the pews and we'll pick them up. In addition, order blanks can be found on Facebook, and our driftlessministry website. You can also call the church office with your order.

We're looking for volunteers to help with the fundraiser. If you can help to (1)prepare food, (2)make cookies, or (3)serve on the 23rd, let Layne Hanson know.

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, Jean, Erma, Lisa, Mary, Youth Program, those suffering from COVID.

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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
 221 S. Center Ave.
 Viroqua, WI 54665

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2nd, 2021

10:30 a.m.

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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 **“TO GOD BE THE GLORY”** *by William H. Doane*

****RINGING OF THE BELL**

****GREETING**

Jesus offers a new-old commandment, that we should love each other. And it is in this our love for one another that the world will know whom and what we worship. Come, children of God, let us love one another.

WELCOMING WORDS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALLED TO WORSHIP

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

L. We are branches, rooted in the vine of Christ.

P. We come because we seek to abide in Christ.

L. The branches that remain in the vine bear much fruit.

P. We come because we long to be spiritually vibrant, alive, productive.

L. If we abide in Christ, then Christ’s words will abide in us.

P. We come because we strive to be faithful disciples.

L. We gather for worship now to the glory of the One God: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer.

P. May we grow wildly as God tends us lovingly.

****HYMN** **“CHRIST WHOSE GLORY FILLS THE SKIES”** **UMH NO. 173**

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

We, like the Psalmist, cry out in praise and thanksgiving in response to God’s eternal loving-kindness, holding us, guiding us, enfolding us with grace. And, as we gather here as people of God, we pray that our worship will reflect that divine love. We offer our worship today with the remembrance of Easter still filling us with joy, and with the anticipation of Pentecost firing our devotion. Let our praise for all that God has done, is doing, and will do, truly resound within our hearts and our homes, within these walls and beyond. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

CALLED TO REFLECTION

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT READING **PSALM 4** **PEW BIBLE NO. 649**

NEW TESTAMENT READING **ACTS 3: 12-19** **PEW BIBLE NO. 1321**

****GOSPEL READING** **JOHN 21: 15-19** **PEW BIBLE NO. 1315**

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

P. Thanks be to God.

SERMON **“REDEEMED”** **TIM GASKELL**

****HYMN OF REAFFIRMATION** **“GO FORTH FOR GOD”** **UMH NO. 670**

CALLED TO COMMUNITY AND TO SHARE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER, COMMUNITY PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING **“IN REMEMBRANCE”** *by Beryl Red*

****DOXOLOGY** **UMH NO. 95**

****OFFERING PRAYER**

****CLOSING HYMN** **“I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR”** **UMH NO. 397**

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** **“GOD IS HERE TODAY”** **TFWS NO. 2049**

****RINGING OF THE BELL**

****POSTLUDE** **THE WAY OF THE CROSS LEADS HOME”** *by Paul Davis*

The bulletins and radio broadcast this morning are sponsored in honor of Janet Welch with thanks for the special gift which helped us update our membership database and buy a new computer.