

## LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

Today	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Pentecost Worship
	11:45 am	Community Meal Planning
Monday, May 20th	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	
Tuesday, May 21st	10:30 am	Exercise Group
	6:00 pm	ICD Sharing @ Westby
Wednesday, May 22nd	8:00 am	Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
	(Call 606-5009 with prayer concerns or to join)	
	6:00 pm	Choir Practice
	7:00 pm	Finance Committee
	8:00 pm	Administrative Council
Thursday, May 23rd	10:30 am	Exercise Group
Sunday, May 26th	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship

Pastor Erika and Verna Drake will share their ICD St. Louis experience on Tuesday night. The meeting will begin with a light supper at 6:00 in Westby.

The Missions Committee will be at a table in the narthex the next few Sundays collecting money and supplies to make personal dignity kits for the Ingathering at annual conference, held in early June.

We will celebrate Peace with Justice Sunday on May 26. United Methodists create and support peace-related ministries, and the special offering taken that day will help support these ministries.

**It Ain't Easy Being Green:** This is the first **Community Conversation** in our new *Open Doors Forum Series*. Viroqua Plastic Free will present the program held in our Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, May 29th at 7:00 pm.

**Prayer List:** All Homebound Members, Pat M., Zoe, Jolene G., Ardith O., Sheila D., all those suffering from economic distress, pain and/or illness.

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## Viroqua United Methodist Church

**May 19, 2024**

**10:30 a.m.**



**Viroqua UMC**  
**221 S. Center Ave.**  
**Viroqua, WI**  
**54665**

### 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 and deepening love for Jesus Christ. Amen.**

May 19, 2024

# Pentecost Sunday

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 "MONASTERY CHANT" Camile Van Hulse

RINGING OF THE BELL

### GREETING

We've come to worship God, who makes streams flow from rock, who turns the parched earth into springs of water, who sends the rain from heaven and makes the wilderness blossom and flourish. Come, let's worship our life-giving God, who pours out living water on all who thirst.

### WELCOMING WORDS/LIFE OF THE CHURCH

#### CALLED TO WORSHIP

#### \*\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L. God of wind and fire,  
P. When you send your Spirit, we are created anew.  
L. God of mighty oceans and still waters,  
P. When we receive your baptism, we are born anew. When we eat at your table, we are nourished anew.  
L. So pour out your Spirit  
P. Let sacred waters flow  
L. Fill us with holy food.  
All. May our hearts and our hands be open wide to receive your gifts of life. Amen.

\*\*HYMN OF PRAISE "HOLY SPIRIT, TRUTH DIVINE" UMH No. 465

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

Move, swirl, and dance among us. Remind us that you are always present: encouraging, luring, and inspiring us to be the loving people you created us to be. Stir us during this hour to walk humbly, embrace love, and do justice in our unjust and fragmented world. Amen.

#### CALLED TO REFLECTION

NEW TESTAMENT READING ACTS 2: 1-21 PEW BIBLE No. 1318

CHOIR ANTHEM "COME, HOLY SPIRIT" Gloria & Wm. Gaither

\*\*GOSPEL READING JOHN 15: 26, 16: 4B-15 PEW BIBLE No. 1306

L. This is the word of God for the people of God  
P. Thanks be to God.

### SERMON

\*\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION "BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD" UMH No. 420

#### CALLED TO COMMUNITY AND TO SHARE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER, COMMUNITY PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER (each in your mother language)

OFFERING "FORTY SECOND ELEVATION" Dom Paul Benoit

\*\*DOXOLOGY UMH No. 95

\*\*OFFERING PRAYER

\*\*CLOSING HYMN "SPIRIT SONG" UMH No. 347

#### SENT TO SERVE

#### \*\*SENDING FORTH

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 and deepening love for Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### \*\*APOSTOLIC BLESSING

As you enter a new week, may you experience God's presence. May you feel God pouring out the Holy Spirit over your heads and your thoughts and the words of your lips, over your hearts and your feelings and emotions and your compassion for all others, and over your hands and your feet as you put into action all that God commands you. Amen.

\*\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "LET IT BREATHE ON ME" UMH No. 503

\*\*RINGING OF THE BELL

\*\*POSTLUDE "VOLUNTARY" John Stanley

The radio broadcast and bulletins today are given by members and friends of the church.