

LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

Today	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship
	11:45 am	Happy New Year Potluck
Monday, January 6th	5:00 pm	Meatball Supper Planning Meeting
	6:00 pm	SPRC
Tuesday, January 7	10:30 am	Exercise Group
Wednesday, January 8th	8:30 am	Prayer Meeting (Zoom) (Call 606-5009 with prayer concerns or to join)
	1:30 pm	UWF
	6:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday, January 9th	10:30 am	Exercise Group
Sunday, January 12th	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship with Communion
	4:00 pm	Bible Study @ Kathy Hanson's

Artists, now is the time to start working on your creations for the annual art silent auction in March. Winter is a great time to make art! All types of art are welcome. Proceeds from the auction will benefit our missionary, Temba Nkomozepe, who works at Mujila Falls Agricultural Centre in Zambia. More details to come.

Prayer List: All Homebound Members, Pat M., Zoe, Gloria F., Tara J., Suzanne, Jim H., Sue B., families suffering the loss of loved ones, all those suffering from personal stress, pain and/or illness.

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Viroqua United Methodist Church

January 5, 2025

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.

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Epiphany of the Lord 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 "A CHRISTMAS LULLABY" *Wilbur Held*

**RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOMING WORDS/LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CALLED TO WORSHIP

**CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Children of God, we enter the new year as we ended the last: gathered together for worship!

P: We gather to seek, find, and follow the Light.

L: The prophet Isaiah calls to us from deep in the past: "Arise, shine; for your light has come."

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L: The magi followed a star to find a small child who is the Light of the world.

P: We gather to seek, find, and follow the Light.

L: So, let us receive the call of Isaiah and follow the example of the magi as we begin this new year turning our faces to God whose glory shows up among us as a vulnerable child, a poor carpenter, and a foot-washing servant who is the salvation of the world.

P: We gather to seek, find, and follow the Light today and every day. Amen.

APOSTLE'S CREED UMH 881

**HYMN OF PRAISE "CHRIST IS THE WORLD'S LIGHT" UMH No. 188

**OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we come into your presence with joy and praise, grateful for the gift of Christ Jesus in our lives. As we celebrate this gift in our service of worship, fill our hearts with Christmas joy and our spirits with the gift of your Holy Spirit. With joy and gratitude, we pray. Amen.

CALLED TO REFLECTION

SCRIPTURE READING EPHESIANS 3: 1-12 PEW BIBLE No. 1423

GOSPEL READING MATTHEW 2: 1-12 PEW BIBLE No. 1138

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

SPECIAL MUSIC "SONG OF HEROD THE KING" *Hague/Fang*

MESSAGE I AM LESS THAN THE LEAST OF ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

CALLED TO COMMUNITY AND TO SHARE

**COMMUNION HYMN "IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME" TFWS No. 2254

THE LORD'S TABLE

JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER, COMMUNITY PRAYER

OFFERING "HE IS BORN" *Lynn Arthur Koch*

**DOXOLOGY UMH No. 95

**OFFERING PRAYER

**CLOSING HYMN "ALL HAIL, KING JESUS" TFWS No. 2069

SENT TO SERVE

**BENEDICTION

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE "O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL" (*verse 1*) UMH No. 234

**RINGING OF THE BELL

**POSTLUDE "SWISS NOEL" *Louis Claude Daquin*

The radio broadcast and bulletins this morning are given by members and friends of the church