A Look into Mount Vernon United Methodist Church **November 22, 2026**

Today's Worship Assistants: Lay leader:
Head Usher: J.G. Hurt Ushers: David Fuquay, Butch Dalton
Children's Moment: Jennifer Underwood Scripture Reader: Catherine Bendall

Next Sunday's Worship Assistants: Lay Leader:
Head Usher: Thomas Underwood, Jr Ushers: Mt Vernon Youth, Butch Dalton
Children's Moment: Beth Bauman Scripture Reader: Megan Gould

~Wednesday Night Dinner Thanks to Margaret Scott for preparing this meal!

~The Poinsettia order forms will be in the church bulletin for the next few Sundays and the orders will be due by the 23rd.

~Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be at The Epiphany Episcopal Church at 7pm for any interested in attending.

~Christmas Decorating & Hanging of the Greens (Nov 29th) Sam is looking for volunteers to help decorate the tree Dec 5th.

~Christmas Parade & Hot Chocolate Dec 6th @ 6pm. Volunteers needed to hand out hot chocolate. Please let Wendy know if you can help!!

~Our organist Sam(Chuck) will be playing the organ at that time as well! We'd love to have everyone there!!

~Angel tree tags are outside the fellowship hall on the table if you would like to buy Christmas for a child in the community. Unwrapped gifts due to church Dec 1st.

~Annual Faith Promise (Pledge) begins November 1st for the 2027 year. The QR code takes you directly to the site or you can complete a giving/pledge card and return it to the office. This is a pledge not a contract. A pledge based upon what you hope or expect to give for the 2027 year. Please give as you are able.

~Restoration Campaign is also beginning. This campaign is to raise monies for the projects to keep our church building in good shape. Any support is appreciated.

~Brunswick Stew Fundraiser: *Coming Soon* Proceeds to help support the youth summer mission trips. The date is DEC 12th!!!! Mark those calendars.

~Youth & Children Activities Sunday: Youth (6-12 grade) will meet at 3pm to carpool to Wildwood to celebrate all their hard work for Crop walk. There will be no other programming that day. Nov 29th- No youth (Happy Holidays). Dec 6th- regular hours 6-7:30. Dec 13th- Caroling & hot chocolate with holiday cookies to follow. Then on holiday break til after the first of the year. The youth are also making bags(100) for homeless in the community. They are collecting gloves, socks, hand warmers, chapstick,trail mix,combs, & sanitary wipes. See Thomas if you'd like to help with supplies or monetary donations.

~The office will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. Please turn in ***newsletter articles*** no later than Nov. 30th, Monday. (The 24th would be best)

Sunday, November 22nd	9AM ***Choir Practice*** 9 AM Coffee & Donuts 10 AM Worship 3 PM Youth to Wildwood (6-12 grade)
Monday, November 23rd	7 PM Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service @ Epiphany
Tuesday, November 24th	
Wednesday, November 25th	11 AM Children's House Friendsgiving
Thursday, November 26th	NO Aldersgate Ringers Rehearsal NO Knitting Group ***Happy Thanksgiving***
Friday, November 27th	
Saturday, November 28th	

Prayer Requests Mount Vernon Family		
Lewis Williamson Oleida Edge	*Tommy Hodges* *Carla Holden*	

Friends of Mount Vernon		
Alice Saunders Mark Deane Madison Bowman Dillon Wilson	*Family of Rev John LeGault, Jr* *The Pruitt Family*	Sarah Johnson Dawn Burton Clinton Wickers

Lectionary Reading before November 29th(1st Sunday of Advent)

ISA 64:1-9 PSALM 80:1-7, 17-19(UMH 801)
1 COR 1:3-9 MARK 13:24-37

Dear Church Family,
Grace and peace to you in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. As we look ahead to 2027, we are grateful for the many ways God has blessed our congregation through your faithful prayers, service, and financial support. Because of your generosity, our church continues to worship, minister, serve our community, and share the love of Christ with others.

The Church Council and Finance Committee are currently preparing for the upcoming year. To help us responsibly plan for the ministries, programs, missions, and operational needs of our church, we are asking each household to prayerfully consider an estimate of what you may be able to contribute to the church during 2027.

Copies of the 2027 budget are at the front of the sanctuary. We encourage you to review it carefully and see how the resources entrusted to our congregation will support the work and mission of our church in the coming year.

We understand that circumstances can change, and any estimate you provide is not a binding commitment. Rather, it is a confidential expression of your best intentions at this time and will assist church leaders in making informed decisions and developing a realistic financial plan for 2027.

Please prayerfully consider your response and return the enclosed estimate form by December 1, 2026. Your participation, regardless of the amount, is greatly appreciated and will help us faithfully steward the resources God provides. Thank you for your continued commitment to the ministry of our church. Together, we can continue to grow in faith, serve others, and advance God's work in our community. May God bless you and your family.

Sincerely,
Rev David Westmoreland
Pastor

Joyce Obstler
Finance Chair