

**April 25th, 2024**

### Calendar of Events

#### Sunday, April 28th

9am—Classic Worship Service  
10am— One Minute Mission  
10:15am—Sunday School  
11am—Connection Worship Service

#### Monday, April 29th

9am—Care Team

#### Tuesday, April 23rd

9am—Quilters

#### Wednesday, May 1st

5pm—Book Study  
6pm—Bell Choir  
7pm— Chancel Choir  
7pm- Youth Group

#### Sunday May 5th

9am- Classic Worship Service  
10am— Town Hall Meeting  
10:15am—Sunday School  
11am— Connection Worship Service

### April 28th, 2024

#### 9am Greeters

Jim Worrell

#### 9am Ushers—April

Tim Dennis & Jim Worrell

#### 11am Greeters

#### 11am Ushers

Maxine Palusky & Pixie Sharkey

#### Gathering Place Host

Beth Buckley



Contact the VSUMC Church Office at: 217-222-7468 or Office@vsumc.org

### Sunday Worship Scripture — April 28st 2024th

Sermon Title: Grace Before All *Ephesians 2: 1-10*

Pastor Rachel will be out of the office from April 23rd—28th  
you have any questions, or concerns,  
please contact Pastor Kathy during this time. Thank you

### Dogwood Parade

VSUMC is joining with Melrose Chapel and Union UMCs in the Dogwood Parade, coming up on May 4. **We need volunteers** to be in the parade. We will need folks to sit on the truck or trailer, as well as folks to walk and toss out candy. We are also seeking **donations of individual wrapped candy** – tootsie rolls, hard candies, etc. Probably not chocolate – if the weather is warm and sunny that will melt in the heat!

What a great opportunity to get to know some folks from the other churches, as well as making our names visible in the Quincy community!

If you want to be a part of the parade contact the church office or Jim Sours.

### Graduate Recognition

It's getting to be that time again! If you have graduates in your family, please send the information to the church office. We don't want to miss anyone!



### Mission Minute: Personal Hygiene kits

Through the month of April, we will be collecting items for personal hygiene kits to be distributed locally. We are looking for: shampoo (12-19 oz), toothpaste, toothbrushes (individually packaged), bar soap (3-4 oz), deodorant (2-3 oz), lotion, disposable razors, feminine hygiene products, wash cloths, and microfiber cloths. We are looking for full size products, not travel size, please.

On April 28, between services, we will pack the **products** into kits.



### Town Hall Meeting

There will be a Town Hall meeting on May 5th between services to discuss the property next to the church and bring this information to the congregation.





**April Birthdays**



Chris Livesay	4	3
Harold Pickinpaugh	4	3
Bruce Tode	4	4
Paige Heady	4	4
Abigail Barnes	4	5
John Read	4	8
John Basinger	4	8
Cindy Haxel	4	10
Alexis Barnes	4	11
Nancy Elliott	4	12
Jim Shoemaker	4	14
Clif Weisinger	4	16
Will Klingner	4	19
Dan Brothers	4	19
Georges Messan	4	23
Bill Dean	4	24
Peter Behrens	4	24
Franklin Scibilia	4	24
Chris Larson	4	26
Fae Jones	4	27
Claire Morrison	4	27
Tony Crane	4	28
Curtis Bennett	4	29
Larry Embree	4	30
Jessica Cornwell	4	30

**Wednesday Evening Study: Reaching Out” by Henri Nouwen**

**5 PM each week**

**Books cost: \$5.00**

Rather than returning to our Bible Study of the lectionary texts for each week, the group has decided on another book study. This time we will be reading “Reaching Out” by Henri Nouwen. The book will help us explore the question: “What does it mean to live a life in the Spirit of Jesus Christ?”

We Hope that you will join us!

**Connect With Us!**

We will soon begin using a communication tool that will allow us to utilize text messaging more effectively. Please use this information to indicate we may contact you by text!

Connect  
Text "CONNECT" to  
217-673-0012



**April Anniversary's**



- 1 John & Stacey Edwards
- 4 Richard & Laura Ehrhart
- 10 Randy & Sebby Fierge
- 18 John & Greta Read
- 19 Harold & Loretta Hyslop
- 30 Kent & Sheila Stevenson

**The Views**

If you have anything that you'd like in the views please make sure that information is to the secretary by

**April 30th**

Altar Flowers

- ◆ If you would like to provide altar flowers for worship services this year, the flower sign-up chart for the year 2024 is available above the guest book in the Gathering Space.

If you have any questions please contact:  
*Marian Sorenson*  
Email - [sorensonmj@comcast.net](mailto:sorensonmj@comcast.net)

**Thursday Connection & Views Emails**

If you are not receiving the Thursday Connection or The Views emails, please let us know! We will try to assist in any way that we can to help fix the issue.

Thank you!

**New Upper Rooms Available**

Be sure to pick up your copy of the Upper Room. They are available in regular or large print.

Suggested donation is \$1. You can find them in the Gathering Space.

**Connection Cards**

Don't forget to fill out your connection cards on Sunday mornings. Thank you!

**Greeter Sign Up**

Please remember to sign up to help greet. The sign up is in the Gathering Space. Thank you!



If you have prayer requests that you would like to have lifted on **Sunday** mornings during worship, please send them to Pastor Rachel at [pastor@vsumc.org](mailto:pastor@vsumc.org) or 222-7468 by the day before, Saturdays at noon.