



Thursday Connection



Building the Community,
One Light at a



January 16, 2025

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

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 19

Human Relations Day

9 am Worship

10:15 am Sunday School

11 am Connection Worship

Monday, January 20

Offices Closed

Tuesday, January 14

9 am—Care team

9 am—Quilters

Wednesday, January 22

6pm—Bell Choir

7 pm—Chancel Choir

7 pm- Youth Group

Sunday, January 26

9 am Worship

10 :15 am Sunday School

11 am Connection Worship

January

9 am Greeters

Jim Worrell

9 am Ushers—January

Dave Brown &

Gary Hemming

11 am Greeters-

11 am Ushers—

Justin & Nathalie Messan

Gathering Place Host

Maxine Paluska

Sunday Worship Scripture —January 19, 2025

Sermon Title: “The Call of us All”

Scripture: Isaiah 62:1-5

Book Study

There will be **no** book study in the month of January. We will resume in February. Thank you

Chancel Choir

Chancel Choir will **NOT** be practicing on **Wednesdays 1/8/25 or 1/15/25.**

We will resume practice again on **Wednesday 1/22/25.** Thank you for your understanding. If you have any questions. Please contact the church office. Thank you.

Help Wanted

Pastor Annelle is looking for help with the Connection Worship Service. We need musicians – lead guitar, guitar, drums, vocalists, especially. We are also looking for folks who would like to help with reader’s theater, short skits, etc. Contact the church office if you are interested in helping!

Unmet Needs

From July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, the Quincy Area Partnership for Unmet Needs approved \$62,975.89 to 78 individuals and families in crisis helping 188 adults and 106 children through committee discussion and pledges for rent/ mortgage assistance, utilities, home repairs, automobile/transportation expenses, and air conditioners with a doctor referral. In addition, we approved \$2,000 to purchase Back to School facial tissues, and 83 miscellaneous allocations for bus tickets, birth certificates, etc.

Your continued financial support, caring attitude, and prayers are appreciated. VSUMC has been a valuable contributor since Unmet Needs was established after the 1993 flood when its devastation threatened the sustainability of many families.

Thank you,
Diana Calvert, Susan Kissick, Lori Kruse, and Karen Weisinger



If you are unable to join us in person, we also offer online streaming services of our 9:00 am service on our website vsumc.org and our [YouTube channel](#). Our 9:00am service is also broadcasted on FM 105.1. The live stream will be available afterwards at those websites.



January

- 1 Benjamin Maxwell
- 1 Rosanna Nowell
- 3 Glory Messan
- 3 Grace Messan
- 4 Addison Koscielski
- 4 Carla Kielsmeier
- 6 Jim Weede
- 7 Jeff Kerkhoff
- 8 Stacy Taylor
- 9 Sue Altheide
- 9 Christopher Bennett
- 11 Ethan Barnes
- 12 Tanya Beth
- 15 Gadden Mutter
- 17 Heather Mutter
- 17 Pat Smith
- 18 Chris Cory
- 18 Isabella Alvord
- 19 Edward Willing
- 19 Jennifer Altheide
- 23 Diane Sloan
- 23 Abel Berhorst
- 24 Marilyn Vincent
- 24 Melissa Penn
- 27 Sara Maxwell
- 28 Chick Sloan
- 28 John Deemer
- 30 Steve Failor
- 30 Venora Deemer
- 31 Megan Klingner



January

- 9 Robert & Pat Sohn
- 10 Tom & Bonnie Ranson
- 17 Rick & Carol Parise
- 29 John & Venora Deemer

VIEWS!

There will be no
January 2025
Views

United Women of Faith and a Baby Shower

Everyone is invited to a Baby Shower, January 22, 10 AM, in Café Vermont. We will be honoring Jamie Olson and Baby Boy Olson who is due February 19. Jamie is the daughter of Pat and Stephenie Sloan and granddaughter of Chick and Diane Sloan. She is an RN at Quincy Medical Group and she and her husband Tyler live in LaGrange MO. Come and enjoy the Fun, Fellowship and Food. Lunch will be provided. A short business meeting will be held.

UWF 2025 Reading Program

New in VSUMC Library and available for anyone to self checkout

- Rough Sleepers, Dr. Jim O'Connell's Urgent Mission to Bring Healing to Homeless People-Author:Tracy Kidder;Category:Education for Mission
- Right Worthy Woman, a Novel-Author:Ruth P. Watson;Category:Leadership Development
- All You Can Ever Know, Memoir-Author:Nicole Chung;Category:Nurturing for Community
- Solito, a Memoor-Author:Javier Zamora; Category:Social Action
- Forgiving What you Can't Forget-Author:Lisa Terkeurse; Category:Spiritual Growth

ROSEMARY D'HEN

Hello, my new Vermont Street friends. I have so enjoyed being among you these last few weeks. I will be here off and on during the fund-raising for the Heifer International "Joy To The World" project. How wonderful it is that dropping loose change or extra dollars into a bucket will bring joy and food security to a community of God's children. Pastor Kathy said we have raised over \$500 towards the \$1,500 needed. I am flapping my wings in gratitude! Let's keep this going!



Pastor Rachel's Leave

Pastor Rachel will be on leave and unavailable until February 2. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Pastor Kathy, Pastor Annelle, or the church office. Thank you.

Outside Food Pantry

Don't Forget! We have two opportunities to help fill food pantries! There are two mini food pantries on the property that can be stocked with individual items at any time. If you'd like to donate, just stop by and drop a few items in them. 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 or 222-7468 by the day before, Saturdays at noon.