

Classic Worship at 9:00 am

PRELUDE Dr. Ann Behrens
Prayer Robert Powell
Variations on "Swabia" David Lasky
Italian Hymn Albert Travis

WELCOME

INTROIT
Bind Us Together Bob Gillman

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
We gather together at the edge of a new season.
We stand together on the cusp of something new.
Will we wade into self-reflection?
Will we invite honesty to dance?
Will we listen for God’s invitation?
Will we seek deeper faith?
What kind of fast do we choose? What kind of faith will
we build? **We gather together at the edge of a new**
season. Listen, God is speaking.

CALL TO CONFESSION

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
Merciful God,
How many times in a day could we choose love?
How many times could we choose justice?
How many times could we speak kindly to ourselves?
How many times could we offer grace?
How many times, God? And how often do we miss it?
Forgive us for choosing the path you did not travel.
Forgive us for hitching our horse to the world’s
measure of goodness, instead of yours.
Return our hearts to you, and guide us continually,
even in the parched places.
With gratitude we pray,
Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

***HYMN # 402** *LORD, I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN*

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

COMMUNITY INFORMATION
Sleep in Heavenly Peace Video

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

CHANCEL CHOIR
Break Forth into Joy Hal Hopson

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 58: 1-12

MESSAGE Pastor Rachel Stockle
“SEEKING: Is this the fast that I choose?”

***HYMN # 405** *SEEK YE FIRST*

MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY
Etude Benjamin Culli

***DOXOLOGY # 95**

OFFERING PRAYER

***HYMN # 581**
LORD, WHOSE LOVE THROUGH HUMBLE SERVICE

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**
For All Your Saints, O Lord Michael Burkhardt

Connection Worship at 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME

WELCOME SONG *ALL MY HOPE*

SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE VIDEO

A TIME OF PRAYER

PRAISE BAND *I HAVE DECIDED*

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S TIME

VIDEO “Idol Worship”

OFFERTORY

PRAISE BAND
THERE’S SOMETHING ABOUT THAT NAME

A TIME OF PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 58: 1-12
The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God

A TIME OF PRAYER

MESSAGE Pastor Rachel Stockle
“SEEKING: Is this the fast that I choose?”

SONG *WHAT AN AWESOME GOD*

BENEDICTION

The people of this church are missionaries in the city.

The staff members are:

Rev. Rachel Stockle, Directing Pastor
Rev. Annelle Ruemmler, Associate & Director of Praise Team
Dr. Ann Behrens, Music Coordinator, Organist, and Chancel Choir Director
Jean Murray, Handbell Choir Director
Sara Bange, Bright Start Preschool Director
Christina Kaufman, Communications/Admin. Assistant
Ian Mehaffy, Finance Manager
Stephanie Alvord, Nursery Attendant
Glory Messan, A/V Tech
Rob Davis, Custodian

9 am Greeters –

9 am Ushers – Laura Hampsmire & Carol Gilliland

11 am Greeters –

11 am Ushers – Justin & Nathalie Messan

Gathering Place Host – Chris & Kim Larson

Don't Forget!

• Lenten Study- *“Why did Jesus Have to Die?”*

Wednesday's at 5 pm and Monday's

• February 18th - Ash Wednesday

• February 16th - Presidents day, offices are **closed**.

• Sleep in Heavenly Peace

• Gift Card Program “Raise Right.” & Hy-Vee

• Greeter sign up – Please contact church office at 217-222-7468 or on a blue connection card if you are interested

Be sure to check out The Thursday Connection every week (e-newsletter) which is sent to your email inbox and is available online at vsumc.org. If you do not have internet access, please contact the office (222-7468) and ask for a copy to be mailed to you

SUNDAY, February 15th

9 am – Classic Worship Service

10:15 am – Sunday School

11 am – Connection Worship Service

MONDAY, February 16th

Presidents Day

Offices are **closed**

6:00 pm - Building & Grounds

TUESDAY, February 17th

9 am – Care Team

9 am – Quilters

WEDNESDAY, February 18th

Ash Wednesday

Ashes Available in Chapel from 8 am – 8pm

4:45 pm – Praise Band

5 pm – Bible study

6 pm – Bell choir

7pm – Chancel Choir

SUNDAY, February 22nd

First Sunday of Lent

9 am – Classic Worship Service

10:00 am – Birthday Part for Eleanor Dennis

10:15 am – Sunday School

11 am – Connection Worship Service

INDIVIDUAL HEARING ASSISTS ARE AVAILABLE.

ASK AN USHER FOR ASSISTANCE.

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1st Sunday of Lent
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