VERMONT STREET
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Thursday Connection

Building the Community, One light at a Time.

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

Calendar of Events

- **Sunday, November 22nd**

10 am – Fanny Crosby Worship Service

- **Monday, November 23rd**

9 am – Care Team
10 am – Advent Study at Pastor Annelle's Home
6:15 pm – Leadership Board Meeting

- **Tuesday, November 24th**

9 am – Quilters

- **Thursday, November 26th**

Thanksgiving Day
Offices are Closed

- **Friday, November 27th**

Offices are closed
10 am –
Eleanor Dennis's Visitation
11 am –
Eleanor Dennis's Service

- **Sunday, November 29th**

First Sunday of Advent
9 am - Worship Service
10:15 am - Sunday School
11 am – Connection Worship

2027 Flower Chart

The 2027 flower chart is now available on the bulletin board near the sanctuary. If you would like to provide flowers for worship, please sign up on the appropriate date. I will contact you the week before to verify the details. Thank you to all who provided flowers in 2026. It truly enhances the worship experience.

Marian Sorenson



Sunday Worship

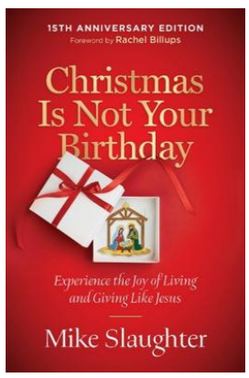
Worship Service:
10:00 am
Scripture:
Psalm 146: 1-2, 7-8, 10
Message:
Fanny Crosby Worship Service

Advent Study

Advent study will begin on November 18th . We will be reading

Christmas Is Not Your Birthday
By Mike Slaughter

Copies are $20.00
and are available from Pastor Rachel



We hope to see you there!

Opportunities to Serve

Looking for ways to use your gifts? Here are a couple of ideas!

- Union UMC is hosting a Thanksgiving meal for church family members. They are looking for salads and desserts that can be delivered to the church on Tuesday or Wednesday, or assistance with lunch on Thursday, especially cleaning afterwards. Lunch will be at noon on Thursday. If you would like to join the feast or assist in any way, contact Shari Sparrow at 217-617-8568.
- Advent begins November 29. If you would like to participate in the lighting of the Advent wreath during the season, please let Pastor Rachel know.
- We are in need of folks to set up and assist with Communion, especially for the 9 am service. If you would like to help, contact Pastor Rachel, Diana Calvert, or the church office.

First Sunday of Advent

Our First Sunday of Advent will be on Sunday, November 29th

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.

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November Birthdays

2	Larry Embree
6	Debbi Taylor
7	Nathale Keirn
9	Sheila Stevenson
12	Greta Read
13	Marvin Kerber
13	JD Speak
13	Allison Hayden
21	John Kissick
25	Lollie Johnson
28	Don Altheide
28	Lou Quintero Sr.

November Anniversaries

12	Barney Bier & Debra Wellborn

Sunday Information:

Sunday, November 22nd

10 am Ushers:

Don Larson

Gathering Space Host:

Flowers of the Month: November

November Flowers are:

Chrysanthemums and Peonies



Eleanor Dennis's Celebration of Life

On Friday, November 28th, we will celebrate our friend Eleanor Dennis, who passed away on Wednesday, November 18th, at Vermont Street United Methodist Church.

Service Information:

Friday, November 27

10 am – Visitation

11 am - Service



Eleanor's Obituary can be found on the Hansen Spears website.

Love Packages

Love Packages is an organization that distributes donated Christian materials all over the world and you don't have to purchase a thing. Go through your shelves and if you have acceptable Christian materials you no longer want, drop them in the donation bin outside the Chapel through January 31st, 2027, and the Mission Team will get them to Love Packages. They accept "Something that will lead someone to faith in Christ and/or something that will disciple a believer." Specifically: Bibles, all translations (new or used); Dictionaries, Bible Dictionaries, Concordance, Commentaries; non-fiction Christian books (adult or children); Devotionals or magazines from a Christian publisher; Sunday School materials; CDs, DVDs, BluRay music or movies; Tracts; Puppets, Bible Games or Biblical Puzzles for children. They do NOT accept: VHS/Tapes/Records or 8-Track; Guideposts or *Missions* magazines; Handiwork or Busy work from Sunday School.

Cookie Walk

The Cookie walk will take place on Sunday, December 13th between services. Baked goods are needed!



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