

CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 5

9:00 am Adult Bible Study
10:30 am Worship
11:30 am Coffee HI
11:30 am Cabinet Meeting
NO Confirmation I

Tuesday, May 7

10:00-Noon Coffee with Pastor Katie at The Bean
6:30 pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday, May 8

7:00 pm Adult Choir

Sunday, May 12

9:00 am Adult Bible Study
10:30 am Worship
11:30 am Coffee HI

USHERS: Kari Jensen, Jama Christopherson, Mike and Kathy Carlson

DEACON OF THE DAY: Dennis Nelsen

ACOLYTE: Anna Christopherson

NURSERY: Lydia Anderson

COFFEE HI: Mary & Lisha Edelen and Alice Barnes

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Pledge Income through March 2024: Actual \$76,801; Budget \$64,837

YTD Pledge Surplus: \$11,964

COFFEE HI SIGN UP

The 2024 Coffee HI sign up is posted on the bulletin board downstairs. Thanks to those who have already signed up! We hope you will find a date that works for you to host and share some treats! You can also call the church office (605-624-3120) or email us (ucc@uccvermillion.org) with a date that works for you.



United Church of Christ

CONGREGATIONAL

226 E. Main St Vermillion, SD 57069 605-624-3120

Worship 10:30 am, May 5, 2024

“*” Please stand if you are able.

Plain text-LEADER, **Bold text-ALL**

Children are always welcome in our worship, but nursery care is also available downstairs.

PRELUDE “Prelude in Classical Style” Gordon Young

WELCOME
Friendship Pads
Announcements
Joys and Concerns

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

O grant us light, that we may know wisdom that you alone can give, That truth may guide us as we go, and virtue bless the lives we live.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ gave us a new commandment:

“Love one another as I have loved you.”

When we love one another as Christ has loved us, we will live lives full of joy.

We will live with God’s love deep in our hearts.

Let us worship the one who shows us how to love.

Let us worship with joy! Alleluia!

*HYMN “Come, O Fount of Every Blessing” 459

INVOCATION

Loving God, we remember your Child’s commandment to love one another as he has loved us. May this time of prayer and reflection remind us of the love we have in Jesus. As we leave this sacred space, may we be filled with joy as we share his love with others. Amen.

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

MUSIC TO INSPIRE “The Lord Bless You” Lutkin, arr. Larson

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

MEDITATION The Greatest of These...

HYMN OF MEDITATION “You Are Called to Tell the Story” 357

A TIME FOR PRAYER

- Silent Prayer
- Pastoral Prayer
- Lord’s Prayer

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Jesus has appointed us to bear fruit that will last. Fruit that will bring love and justice. Joy and hope. Bring what you can; together, the gifts we offer can transform lives.

OFFERTORY “Voluntary Psalm 67:7” Douglas E. Wagner

Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God Above, you heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. 780

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Loving God, we remember that one of Christ’s most important commandments is loving one another. With these gifts, help us show this love in our words and actions, caring for the vulnerable and offering hope in times of despair. Amen.

COMMUNION

Hymn of Preparation “This Is a Day of New Beginnings” (all verses) 417

God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift up them to God.

Let us give thanks to God Most High.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

STORY FROM TRADITION & BLESSING

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

HYMN Reflection Psalm 72:3 D. E. Wagner

HYMN Chorale Prelude Psalm 23:4 D. E. Wagner

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “I Am the Light of the World” 584

BENEDICTION

Friends of God, as you leave this place, remember that God has chosen you to share the love you’ve found with a world of need. Go bear fruit that will last. Let your joyful hearts be signs of hope in these anxious times. Amen.

POSTLUDE “Festa no Sertão” Villa-Lobos

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If you would like to donate to the Vermillion United Church of Christ, Congregational using PayPal, scan this QR code with your phone.

HEARING ASSIST SYSTEM

We now have a Hearing Assist system at the UCC church. The units are available to everyone. If you are interested in trying it, come a little early to church to pick up and receive instructions from our Media Director, Paul Ebsen. You can also bring your own headset that has an AUX plug in to use with it.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

chicken/beef broth, cereal, macaroni, chili beans, dry noodles, sugar, canned fruits, salad dressing, mayonnaise, ketchup, mustard, and personal care products (especially toilet paper, toothpaste, and toothbrushes)

JOB LISTING

With upcoming retirements, we are reimagining roles and shifting titles and duties within the church office. We will have a Church Administrator who will work a 30-hour/week leadership position and be responsible for communications, operations, and human resource management. If you know of anyone who might be interested, please share. Information about applying is posted on our website, ucc@uccvermillion.org

More information on a Church Financial Officer job will be posted at a later date.

NEW MEMBERS

As you know, we welcomed new members last Sunday. Here is a little more information, so we can all get to know them.

MaryEllen Ellyson lives with her husband, **Joe Nitzke**, on her ancestral farm in rural Newcastle. They have been there for over 20 years and are both retired.

Jacob and Shelby Quail moved to Vermillion with their three children in August 2020. Their children are **Ben** (age 13), **Sam** (age 12), and **Lauren** (age 9). Jacob works as a general surgeon at Sanford Vermillion. Shelby enjoys volunteering on several boards around town.

Tim Ricker and Karen Hebert moved to Vermillion in the summer of 2020 for jobs at USD. Tim is a professor of cognitive science, and Karen is a professor of occupational therapy. **Zelda and Simone**, their children, are adamant that Vermillion is the best town in the world and attend elementary school here.

CELEBRATING OUR SENIORS

Please join us in celebrating our high school seniors!

Henry Anderson plans to attend Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee, and will major in music business.

Brody Askew plans to attend the University of Alabama to study aerospace engineering.

Erin Bottesini will attend North Dakota State University in the fall.

Stephanie Carr will attend the University of Iowa in the fall and major in business.

Nina Jordre will attend the University of Texas at Dallas to study Neuroscience. She plans to continue crocheting as much as possible amidst her studies.