

# *Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church*

*Where All the People are Ministers of Christ*

***Our vision is to seek to live and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to nurture persons of all ages and circumstances for faithful discipleship, and to transform faith into service to others.***



*“Marking Iniquities”*

March 22, 2026

*Reverend Dennis Morgan*

7801 Church Lane, Toano, Virginia 23168

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Adult Sunday School begins at 9:15am.

**Welcome to our worship service!** Mt. Vernon has been worshipping our Lord and serving the Greater Williamsburg Community since 1887. If we can be of any assistance to you, please let us know.

**\* Please stand, as you are able.**

**Hearing Assistance Devices** are available in the Narthex

## Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 2026

10:15am

“Marking Iniquities”

Worship Leader

Theresa Kaufman

\*Please stand as you are able. Please read in Unison in **Bold**.

### THE PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude and Meditation

Organist, Carol Kendall

Pastor’s Address

Welcome & Announcements

Centering and Reflection

Through our free will, we often make choices and decisions that are not aligned with the will of God. We sin, and we face the consequences. Still, we can rely on God’s forgiveness, which is given us through our sincere repentance.

\*Introit

TFWS #2160

“Into My Heart”

\***Call to Worship** (responsive)

Our God tells us to love one another as we love ourselves.

**But we often place ourselves before others.**

We are to love God with all our hearts, all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength.

**But we sometimes place our own desires ahead of God’s will.**

God loves us and forgives us when we repent.

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

Praise be to God!

**Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)**

**Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son**

**that when two or three are gathered together in his name, you will be in the midst of them. Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. AMEN**

\*Hymn of Praise UMH #277  
"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"

Children's Message

## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

Gospel Lesson Rev. Dennis Morgan  
Psalm 130:1-8

Prayers of the People and the Church Rev. Dennis Morgan

\*The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Hymn of Meditation UMH #496  
"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

The Message Rev. Dennis Morgan  
"Marking Iniquities"

Reception into Full Membership (Hymnal #33)  
Donna Wilson

## **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

Special Music The Choir  
"Hiding in the Shadow of God"

Passing of the Peace (pastor):

God asks for our obedience to his ordinances, the greatest of which is to love one another. Let us now greet one another with signs of brotherly love, peace, and forgiveness.

Offertory Prayer (unison):

**Lord God Almighty, in humble acknowledgement of the many gifts and blessings we receive through your good grace, we make this offering to you for use in magnifying your Kingdom here in this earthly realm. AMEN**

\*Doxology: UMH #95

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN**

## **SENDING FORTH**

\*Hymn of Celebration UMH #664

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

\*Benediction (Pastor):

May the presence of God the **Creator** give you **strength**;  
May the presence of God the **Redeemer** give you **peace**;  
May the presence of God the **Sustainer** give you **comfort**;  
And may the presence of God the **Sanctifier** give you  
**love.**  
**AMEN**

Postlude

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The Daily Study Bible commentary series, Westminster Press  
The New Interpreter’s Bible commentary series, Abingdon Press

## Announcements/Missions

- **Community Lenten Services:** The Wednesday, March 25 service will be held at Williamsburg Mennonite Church, 7800 Croaker Road, Williamsburg. Hospitality at 6 pm, Service at 7 pm. Rev. Meghan Roth Clayton is the speaker.
- **Fellowship Breakfast:** On Sunday, March 29 (the fifth Sunday and also Palm Sunday), please join us for breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. There will be pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits and beverages. Contact Jesse Rowe or the office if you would like to help.
- **Bridge Group:** 10 am and 6:30 pm, Tuesdays, Fellowship Hall all are welcome.
- **Choir:** Choir practice takes place on Thursdays at 1 pm in the Sanctuary.
- **UPDATED-Pastor's Office Hours:** Pastor Dennis' office hours are Monday and Tuesday 10a-1p. In addition, Pastor Dennis can meet *by appointment* at other times throughout the week. Pastor Contact Information:

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### **Proclaiming Grace Outreach/St. Olaf's Food Pantry**

- Box of Cereal**
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### **FISH Food Pantry**

- Canned Tomato Products**
- Pasta/Spaghetti**
- Canned Tuna, Beef Stew**
- Pancake Mix/Syrup**
- Peanut Butter/Jelly**
- Canned Fruits**
- Canned Vegetables**
- Canned Soup**
- Laundry Detergent**
- Shampoo**
- Feminine Products (pads, tampons)**
- Deodorant**
- Toothpaste**
- Diapers**
- Pull Ups**