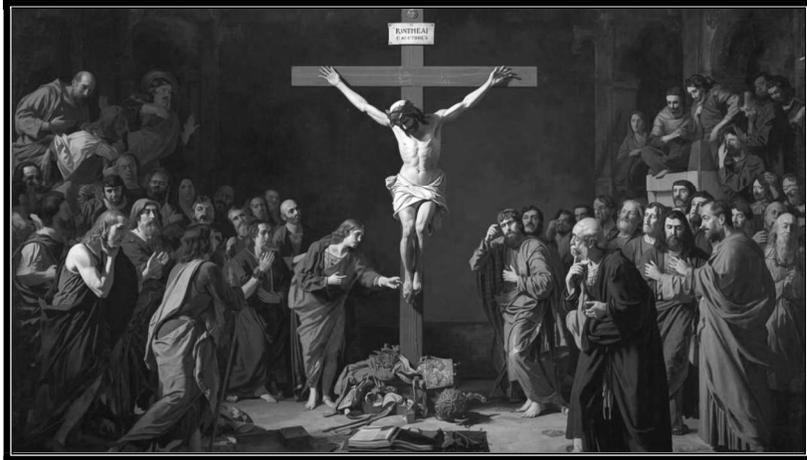


Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church

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.



“The Crucifixion”

March 29, 2026

Reverend Dennis Morgan

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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

Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

10:15am

“The Crucifixion”

Worship Leader

Jeanne Fulks

*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

Everyone loves a parade - until they don't. Even as we wave our palms, we know that many lined the streets with jeers, not cheers. May our words of blessing and hope ring strongly, even when faced with the jeers and cruelty of the world.

*Introit

UMH #177

“He Is Lord”

***Call to Worship** (responsive)

Give thanks to God, who is truly good.

Hosanna in the highest!

Praise Christ, whose love abounds with grace.

Hosanna in the highest!

Welcome the Spirit with songs of praise.

Hosanna in the highest!

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Christ of both celebration and sorrow, be with us in our time of worship today and in the week ahead. Help us to embrace the fullness of your story, both the triumph and the tragedy. Strengthen us to proclaim both blessing and hope, no matter the circumstances, that we may be children of your promise, both now and forevermore.

AMEN

*Hymn of Praise
"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

UMH #280

Children's Message

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Gospel Lesson
Matthew 27:11-54

Rev. Dennis Morgan

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 #430

"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

The Message

Rev. Dennis Morgan

"The Crucifixion"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Special Music

The Choir

"Make My Life an Alleluia"

Passing of the Peace (pastor):

Blessed are you, for you come in God's name. Let us share signs of blessing and love as we pass the peace of Christ on this holy day.

Offertory Prayer (unison):

May Christ's values of generosity, grace, and love guide our giving of time, talent, and treasure. May these values become the focus of our thoughts during this time of offering. 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 #278
"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

*Benediction (Responsive):
With songs in our heart,
we move toward the cross.
May God bless us
with strength for the journey ahead.
God with God,
knowing that Christ is on the journey with us.
AMEN

Postlude

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