

The flowers on the altar are joyfully given to the glory of God by Lee & Marge Rhoades with thankful hearts for the fellowship of this congregation and for our many blessings!

SAVE THE DATE:

–August 15th, Larry Gault's service at 11am at Snyders Funeral Home-Dowds Chapel on Newark Road here in Mount Vernon.

-August 18th, Trustees meeting at 5pm & Finance meeting at 6:45pm.

–August 21st, The Closet (taxable night) at 5pm.

–August 23rd, CREW Kings Island Trip: Leaving around 8am and will need money for breakfast and will return around 10pm, cost is \$40 per person which includes ticket, drinks, food for during the day.

–August 26th, Logan’s monthly CREW Youth Group at 6pm on the 3rd floor.

-August 30th, Picnic in the Park from 4-7pm at the Gambier Shelter House.

WAYS TO SERVE:

Friday Night Community Hot Meals:

Join us each Friday at 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall as we serve hot meals to our community.

Volunteers are always welcome!

Sunday Worship Volunteers Needed:

We are seeking volunteers for our Sunday services in the following areas:

- Liturgist
- Lay Readers
- Live Stream
- Sound Board
- Ushers/Greeters

If you feel called to serve in any of these roles, please contact the church office. Your support helps make our worship possible—thank you!

Our Mission

To make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World.

Gay Street & Green Valley Chapel UMCs

Experiencing God through Worship, Spiritual Growth, Care, and Service



Sanctuary, August 9, 2026

Our Next Generation

Tell your children of it,

and let your children tell their children,

and their children another generation.

-Joel 1:3

Welcome to Gay Street UMC!

Ways to stay connected: mtvumc.org | Facebook | Instagram | eDevos (weekly newsletter)

Office Hours: Mon–Fri, 8am–3pm | 740-392-6626 | office@mtvumc.org

Restrooms: Located at the rear of the sanctuary or through the parlor.

Hearing Devices: Available upon request from an usher.

Prayer Concerns: Use gray cards in pews; place in offering plate or give to a Pastor

Connect Cards: In pew racks—guests and updates welcome (return in offering plate or to a Pastor)

Sermon Notes:

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
*The *asterisk is an invitation to rise in body and/or spirit.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
PREPARATION

Rev. Christopher Liberati

Prelude *We Thank Thee, Jesus, Dearest Friend*, D. Buxtehude Janet Guetle

Opening Prayer–All Uniting Liturgist: Eric Diehl
Heavenly Father, Thank You for Your faithfulness through every generation. Help us to remember the ways You have guided, provided, forgiven, and loved us, and give us the courage to share those stories with others. As we worship today, strengthen our faith and help us become people who pass the hope of Christ on to the next generation. Amen.

*Gathering Hymn *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* UM Hymnal 138

***CALL TO WORSHIP (congregation: please refer to the bold text)**
L: We gather today to remember the faithfulness of God from generation to generation.
C: We will tell of the goodness of the Lord and proclaim His mighty works.
L: God has guided His people through every season — through wilderness and blessing, through struggle and hope.
C: We remember His faithfulness and place our trust in Him again today.
L: The stories of God’s love and mercy are not meant to be hidden, but shared with those who come after us.
C: We will pass on the hope of Christ to the next generation.
L: Come, let us worship the God who was faithful yesterday, is faithful today, and will remain faithful forever.
C: We come with grateful hearts to worship the Lord! Amen.

Invitation to Children Rev. Christopher Liberati
Children’s Song-congregation *Where Children Belong*
Lyrics:
This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng. Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

Children’s Message Logan Hines

INTO THE WORD
Deuteronomy 6:5–7 Lay Reader: Bethany Celmar
Psalm 78

*Response to the Word *Gloria Patri* UM Hymnal 71
Message Our Next Generation Rev. Christopher Liberati

RESPONSE TO THE WORD
Prayer Hymn *All Who Hunger* TFWS 2126
Morning Prayer
Lord’s Prayer–**UM Hymnal 895**

Invitation and Dedication for the Giving of Our Lives, Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings:
Worshipping God with giving of our money reveals our hearts desire. We give sacrificially, generously, and continuously as a way of ascribing value to who God is in our lives.



Offertory *It Is Well With My Soul* Stacey Varner, pianist
by Horatio G. Spafford & Philip P. Bliss

***Doxology** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* **UM Hymnal 94**
*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING FORTH
*Hymn of Parting *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* UM Hymnal 66
*Benediction

Postlude *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name* Janet Guetle
Oliver Holden, arr. by John Innes

Worship Participants:

Live Stream:
Max Heindl & Carol Moore

Sound:
Jasmine Bayless

Ushers:
Liz Lutwick, Kelly and Marcia Brown , Cyndi Wyatt

