

UPCOMING EVENTS

We Still Want Pictures!

If anyone likes to draw and/or color, please draw or color for us and leave it in Jaicob Arndt's mailbox across from the office or the offering plate. You can put your name on it or leave it off. Thanks!!

Faith Over Fear!

Sisters in Christ will be hosting a day of fellowship, worship and inspiration. There will be uplifting music and a dynamic message from Sarah Robinette. It will be held Saturday, August 15, 2026 from 8:00am-3:00pm at Evergreen Christian Church in Salem, IL. You can purchase tickets by calling 618-548-2625.

Blessing of the Backpacks!

Today is the blessing of the backpacks during our worship service. So, we hope you brought your backpack or any bag that you carry with you during your day for work or other reasons, to be a part of this worship service and have a great year!

2026 Charge Conference

The 2026 South District Charge Conference will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2026 @ Mount Vernon First United Methodist Church. Stay tuned for more details.

Youth Group Kick-Off Party!

We will have a Kick-Off Party for our Wednesday Night Youth Group on Wednesday, September 9, 2026 from 6:00pm—7:30pm in the back parking lot of the church. We will have food, drinks, dunk tank, Sno Biz snow cones, Wild Foam Adventures and more! Youth Group is for grades K-12.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, August 9

2:00pm, Service @ Brookstone

Tuesday, August 11

4:15pm—Praise Team Practice

Wednesday, August 12

6:15am, Men's Bible Study

Thursday, August 13

10:00am, Coffee, Christ & Cards

Happy Birthday

9—Carrie Casey
10—Drew William Schneider
11—Parker Clark
Nash Grapperhaus
12—Logan Barnett
Daniel Hanna
13—Beth Kern

Happy Anniversary!

10—John & Jody Burnam (52 years)
12—Mike & Mary Fulton (54 years)
15—Gene & Ann Schwarm (45 years)

First United Methodist Church Vandalia, Illinois

Pastor Curtis Flake

August 9, 2026

9:30 am



*What kind of lights did Noah use on the ark?
FLOODLIGHTS!!*

First United Methodist Church

AUGUST 9, 2026

Children start the service in the Sanctuary and leave for Kingdom Kids after the Blessing of the Backpacks.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude	<i>Give Thanks</i>	
*Call to Worship		
*Opening Songs	<i>Forever Great Are You Lord</i>	Praise Team
*Opening Prayer	<u>Proclamation</u>	
Children’s Moments		
Blessing of the Backpacks		
Anthem	<i>Through It All</i>	Dennette Guyer
Scripture	Psalm 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45b	
Sermon	<i>“Sing Praises”</i>	
Offertory Hymn:	<u>Table</u> <i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</i> (vs. 1, 2, 3, 5)	UMH 139
*Doxology	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH 95
Joys & Concerns		
Prayer Song	<i>Cares Chorus</i>	TFWS 2215
Pastoral & Lord’s Prayer		
*Closing Hymn	<u>Sending Forth</u> <i>Great Is the Lord</i> (Praise Team)	TFWS 2022
*Benediction		
Postlude		

* Indicates stand if you are able.



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Worship Leaders

JD Vieregge/Rand Craycroft, **Head Ushers**
Brooklyn Burnam, **Acolyte**
Greeters
Barb McCart, **Liturgist**
Taryn Flake, **Traditional Music & Praise Team Director**
Sue Miller, **Song Leader**
Taryn, Curtis, Charlie, Dawn & Sue, **Praise Team**
Dennette Guyer, **Anthem**
Max Durbin, **Bus Driver**
Deb Durbin, **Bus Rider**
Sandy Stombaugh, **Bus Greeter**
Sam Flake, **Video Tech**
Patrick Myers, **Sound Tech**
Gene Schwarm, **Offering Collector**
Trisha Miller, **Children’s Ministry Coordinator**
Trisha Miller, **Kingdom Kids Leader**
Jaicob Arndt, **Pro Presenter Slides**



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