

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!!

Youth Group Kick-Off

Well....we are back to school and our Wednesday Night Youth Group will be starting back up soon. We will have a Kick-Off Party on Wednesday, September 9, 2026 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. for grades K-12. We will have food, drinks, Sno Biz snow cones, dunk tank, Wild Foam Adventures and more!! Keep watching for updates!

Sanctuary Choir Meeting!

We will have an informational meeting for the Sanctuary Choir next Sunday, August 30th, after church. We would love to have you join us! If you can't come to Wednesday rehearsals, I will send out the recording so you can practice at home. You can practice on your own and then join us for the 9:00 Sunday rehearsal. We hope this will allow more people to join our voices in praise to God on Sunday mornings. Sanctuary Choir sings September through May.

New Software System!

We are moving right along with our new software system for the office. This will impact any on-line giving also, so please watch for more details. If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Curtis, Jake or Sue anytime!

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, August 25

4:15pm, Praise Team Practice
6:00pm, Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 26

6:15am, Men's Bible Study

Thursday, August 27

8:00am, Family Center Reserved
10:00am, Coffee, Christ & Cards

Friday, August 28

8:00am, Family Center Reserved

Saturday, August 29

11:00am—Family Center Reserved

Happy Birthday

23—Joe Cearlock
24—Easton Hanna
Joy Kloster
Amy Vieregge
26—Darrel Casey
28—Janice Kramer
29—John Blythe

Happy Anniversary!

23—Travis & Kelly Clark (23 years)

How long did Cain hate his brother?
As long as he was Abel!!

First United Methodist Church Vandalia, Illinois

Pastor Curtis Flake

August 23, 2026

9:30 am

Lessons in Leadership



First United Methodist Church

AUGUST 23, 2026

Children start the service in the Sanctuary and leave for Kingdom Kids after Children’s Moments.

Welcome, Announcements

Gathering

Prelude Lisette Ehrat

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn God Will Take Care of You UMH 130

*Opening Prayer

Proclamation

Children’s Moments

Anthem Just As I Am Lisette Ehrat

Scripture Exodus 1: 8-2 & 10, Matthew 16: 13-20

Sermon “Power”

Table

Offertory Hymn The Church’s One Foundation (vs. 1, 2 & 5) UMH 545

*Doxology Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 95

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral & Lord’s Prayer

Sending Forth

*Closing Hymn He Is Lord (sing twice) UMH 177

*Benediction

Postlude

* Indicates stand if you are able.



Online giving is available by visiting our church website: www.vandaliafirstumc.org, or you may scan the QR code with your phone.

Worship Leaders

JD Vieregge/Greg Fulk, **Head Ushers**
Parker Clark, **Acolyte**
Joyce Staff, **Greeter**
Barb McCart, **Liturgist**
Taryn Flake, **Traditional Music & Praise**
Team Director
Sue Miller, **Song Leader**
Taryn, Curtis, Charlie, Dawn & Sue,
Praise Team
Lisette Ehrat, **Organist & Anthem**
Max Durbin **Bus Driver**
Deb Durbin, **Bus Rider**
Sam Flake **Video Tech**
Patrick Myers, **Sound Tech**
Jeff Endres, **Offering Collector**
Trisha Miller, **Children’s Ministry**
Coordinator
Sue Burnam, **Kingdom Kids Leader**
Jaicob Arndt, **Pro Presenter Slides**



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