

## Activities & Meetings

### Sunday, March 18

|          |   |            |
|----------|---|------------|
| 8:30 am  | Worship   | Sanctuary  |
| 9:45 am  | Sunday School for All   | All Rooms  |
| 11:00 am | Worship   | Sanctuary  |
| 5:15 pm  | Wesleyan Choir Rehearsal  | Choir Room |
| 6:30 pm  | Senior High Youth Table Games Fundraiser - all youth and adults are invited to participate. | Belfry     |

### Monday, March 19

|         |                   |            |
|---------|-------------------|------------|
| 5:45 pm | Cub Scouts        | Downstairs |
| 7:00 pm | Jane Payne Circle | Library    |
| 7:00 pm | BSA Committee     | Room 15    |

### Tuesday, March 20

|         |                               |         |
|---------|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1:00 pm | Dorcas Circle                 | Library |
| 7:00 pm | Hospitality & Evangelism Team | Room 24 |

### Wednesday, March 21

|          |                     |              |
|----------|---------------------|--------------|
| 10:00 am | Interest Group      | Rooms 11, 12 |
| 10:30 am | Staff Meeting       | Room 36      |
| 7:00 pm  | Boy Scout Troop 221 | Downstairs   |
| 7:00 pm  | Church Council      | Library      |

### Thursday, March 22

|          |                         |             |
|----------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 4:00 pm  | VUMmer Hummer Rehearsal | Choir Room  |
| 12:15 pm | Midday-Midweek Worship  | Sanctuary   |
| 6:00 pm  | Lenten Supper           | Dining Room |
| 6:45 pm  | Lenten Service          | Sanctuary   |
| 7:30 pm  | Chancel Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room  |

### Finance Update for March:

March Income Goal: \$35,000  
 Week 1 Income: \$10,075  
 Week 2 Income: \$ 7,535  
 Income Needed for March: \$17,390



Welcome to all our visitors today! Please find our welcome packets in the pew back in front of you. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to talk with any of our staff or volunteers.

# *Vestal United Methodist Church*

## *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

### *In His Own Words*



*March 18, 2018*

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\* Indicates to stand if you are able

**Pre-service Music - A time of preparation for worship**

**Announcements and Greeting** (Please pass the attendance pads to those near you.)

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

**Prelude**

*Vater unser im Himmelreich*

GEORGE BÖHM

**Bringing in the Light**

**\* Call to Worship**

Leader: In the midst of difficult times, we have new life from Christ.

**People: When we think there is no hope, God offers us healing love.**

Leader: Come, let us praise the God of new life.

**People: Let us sing and shout for joy.**

Leader: Let us worship the One who is with us forever.

**All: Thanks be to God for all God's blessings!**

**\* 277 Hymn of Praise**

*Tell Me the Stories of Jesus*

STORIES OF JESUS

**\* Passing of the Peace**

**Silence**

**Gathering Prayer**

Lenten Prayer for Transformation

**Ever-Creating God, I invite you into my life today and make myself available to you. Help me to become the-best-version-of-myself by seeking your will and becoming a living example of your love in the world. Open my heart to the areas of my life that need to change in order for me to carry out your mission, and experience the joy you have imagined for my life. Inspire me to live out my faith in ways that are dynamic and engaging. Show me how to best get involved in the life of my church. Make our community hungry for best practices and continuous learning. Give me courage when I am afraid, hope when I am discouraged, and clarity in times of decision. Teach me to enjoy uncertainty, and lead your Church to become all you imagined it would be for the people of our times. Amen.**

**Silent Prayer and Meditation**

**The Lord's Prayer**

(895 in the red hymnal)

# *In His Own Words*

*presented by the Chancel Choir*

*with Orchestra & Organ*

*Composed by: Dan & Heidi Goeller*

*Directed by: Tim Andrews*

*Organist: Dan Rosenau*

**Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering**

Offertory

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

ARR ALICE JORDAN

\* 94 Doxology

\* Presentation of Gifts

**\* 670 Hymn**

*Go Forth for God*

GENEVA

**\* Benediction**

**\* God's Light Goes Forth**

**\* 671 Congregational Response** *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing* (verse 1)

**\* Postlude**

*If You Will Only Let God Guide You*

ARR CRAIG PHILLIPS

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**Those Serving in Worship Today:**

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8:30

11:00

Acolyte: Carson Camp

Thomas Stewart

Organist: Dan Rosenau

Dan Rosenau

Music: Chancel Choir & Orchestra

Chancel Choir & Orchestra

Greeters: Linda Strauss

Rudy & Diane Bernard

Usher Team: Bob Strauss

Hal Ehrhardt

Welcomers: Tom & Mary Lynn Cole

Cyndi Chapman & Kaye Wood

Flowers on the alter this morning are in memory of loved ones by Terry & Patty Dornbos.