

## Activities & Meetings

### Sunday, April 8

8:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 am	Sunday School for All	All Rooms
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
12:15 pm	United Methodist Women's Executive Committee	Room 24
*Our Youth Groups will not be meeting today following their Mission Trip to Niagara Falls.*		

### Monday, April 9

10:30 am	Staff Meeting	Room 36
6:00 pm	Trustees	Library

### Wednesday, April 11

9:00 am	Lectionary	Library
10:00 am	Interest Group	Rooms 11, 12
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 221	Downstairs

### Thursday, April 12

4:00 pm	VUMmer Hummers	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

### Finance Update for April

April Income Goal: \$38,000  
 Week 1 Income: \$12,157  
 Income Needed for April: \$25,843  
  
 Income thru March 31: \$105,621  
 Expenses thru March 31: \$117,066  
 Deficit thru March 31: \$ 11,445

Attendance Easter Sunday: 357

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# *Vestal United Methodist Church*



## *April 8, 2018*

Welcome to all our visitors today! Welcome packets in the pew back in front of you. We would appreciate it if you would take the time to complete the information card inside and return it in the offering plate. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to talk with any of our staff or volunteers.



\* 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** *Sunrise Prayer* DOUGLAS SPOTTED EAGLE

**Bringing in the Light**

\* **Call to Worship** *Adapted from Rev. Jeff Ramsland, Pastor, Cherokee UMC, Cherokee, NC*

Leader: Come, let us worship the Creator with hearts where pride and prejudice once dwelt now open to all people;

**People: Let us worship the Creator with minds where listening and respect once had no place now open to the wisdom of all people.**

Leader: Let us honor the One who freely gives by showing honor to those who were once and still remain oppressed.

**People: Let us worship the God of diversity, who made the world in colors, in seasons, in endless variety; who created the diversity of the earth's peoples in the Creator's image.**

**All: We were created to honor one another and in so doing we honor the Creator. Let us honor God today by reflecting in our worship and in our lives the One who is Creator - by reflecting God's image - love.**

\* **318 Hymn of Praise** *Christ Is Alive* TRURO

\* **Sharing the Peace**

**Silence**

\* **329 Gathering Prayer** *Prayer to the Holy Spirit* Trad. Native American Prayer

**Silent Prayer and Meditation**

**The Lord's Prayer** (895 in the red hymnal)

**Anthem** *Arrival* DOUGLAS SPOTTED EAGLE

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Loving Lord, there is so much we don't know, so much we don't understand, so much more than what we see. God, we need wisdom - not just of the mind, but of the heart and soul. Help us to hear the words of the Scripture in a new way, so that the light of your Love, the Word Made Flesh, will live in us and we will live in you. Amen.**

**New Testament Reading** Acts 4:32-35 Pew Bible NT p. 116

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **People: Thanks be to God.**

**Children's Message**

Nursery is available during the entire hour for children age 0-3 in room 21 of the church.

Children age 3-5 may leave after the Children's Message for a 3-K nursery in room 22.

\* **408 Hymn** *The Gift of Love* GIFT OF LOVE

**New Testament Reading** I John 1:1-2:2 Pew Bible NT p. 221

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** *What Happens Now?* Sharon Harris

**Joys and Concerns** (Mission Moment about Native American Awareness Sunday)

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering**

Offertory *House of Light* DOUGLAS SPOTTED EAGLE

\* **2223 FWS Doxology** *They'll Know We are Christians by Our love, vs. 3 & refrain*

\* **Presentation of Gifts**

\* **2172 FWS Hymn** *We Are Called* WE ARE CALLED

\* **Benediction**

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

\* **2173 FWS Congregational Response** *Shine, Jesus, Shine vs. 1* SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

\* **Postlude** *Fantasia on Bryn Calfaria* JOHN INNES

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**Those Serving in Worship Today:**

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8:30	11:00
Acolyte: Karissa Camp	Ally Mariano
Reader: Jim Meade	Matthew Slocum
Organist: Dan Rosenau	Dan Rosenau
Music: Douglas Spotted Eagle	Douglas Spotted Eagle
Greeters: Susan Leeson & Lorraine Arrow	Dana Gleason
Usher Team: Bob Hinkley	Mike Macey
Welcomers: Sandy Morgan & Tammy Nist	Sue and Barry Biddle

Flowers in the chancel today are in honor of Kelly Decker's 21st Birthday from her family and in memory of Tom Chubbuck from Mel and Joan Chubbuck.

The red roses are in honor of the births of Caroline Jade Mistretta, daughter of Katelyn and Joseph Mistretta, granddaughter of John and Lauri Capwell, great granddaughter of Shirley Capwell and Ron and Nancy Myers, born March 9th and Carter Robert DePugh, son of Sean and Anne DePugh, grandson of Roger and Mary Beth DePugh, born March 21.