

Vergas & Dent United Methodist Churches Newsletter June 2024 Issue 6



Hard to believe the weather that Minnesota has experienced lately, high humidity in May & lots of rain, but don't worry, if you don't like the weather just wait a few minutes and it will change.



As we enjoy all that God's creation has to offer in the summer, I encourage each of us to not let things crowd Jesus and church out of our lives. Though we take vacation from work and routine – do we really want to take a vacation from our spiritual lives and the One who gives us life? Make a point to worship this summer, whether it is here at Dent or Vergas UMC or somewhere else; while vacationing or just visiting different churches or denominations to see what's happening in other parts of the Christian world.

I'm very excited about the upcoming outreach opportunities, which have been designed to bless our two communities and give the people of the church time to meet, welcome, and visit with those in our area. Dent UMC will be having "Free Faith Float Fests" on the last Wednesday of each month in June, July, and August at 6:30. People will be coming to the church for a free pop float and are invited to join their neighbors for conversation and indoor and outdoor games. Vergas UMC folks will be at the public beach the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each of the summer months to hand out ice cream treats to anyone present and offer a Bible story & coloring opportunity for any children who wish to participate. On Friday June 21 at 5:30 Vergas will be serving a hot dog supper in the park across the street.

As you can imagine – these events need financial and personal support. If you can help with the cost of these blessing events, please note on your check memo: floats, beach or meal and we will see your gift goes to the proper event. Let Pastor Joyce or anyone on the Leadership Team or Ad Council know you'd like to help-out in person.

Blessings and See You in Church!

Pastor Joyce <><



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June 2 – "Loving the New Normal" 2 Corinthians 4:5-12. How should we respond to adversity? Ted Lasso and the apostle Paul have some advice. Hymns: This Is the Day; I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light; This Little Light of Mine; ORSHIP SCHEDULE May You Run & Not Be Weary.

June 9 – "Inside-Out Jesus" Mark 3:20-35. Doreen Schwarzrock will lead the service & share a message.

Jesus wants us to put our hearts into discipleship, not just our heads. Our emotions are a part of doing the will of God. Hymns: This Is the Day; My Hope Is Built; In Christ There Is No East or West; I'm Gonna Live So, God Can Use Me; May You Run & Not Be Weary.

June 16 – Father's Day, "The Parable of the Growing Church" Mark 4:26-34.

Do we need a modern parable to help us understand a 21st century kingdom of God? Hymns: This Is the Day; Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee; Come, Ye Thankful People, Come; Hymn of Promise, May You Run & Not Be Weary.

June 23 – "It Isn't What It Is" 2 Corinthians 6:1-13.

Do we accept what we cannot change, or do we broaden our scope? Hymns: This Is the Day; Lift Every Voice and Sing; How Firm a Foundation; His Eye Is on the Sparrow; May You Run & Not Be Weary.

June 30 – "Unforced Errors" Psalm 130.

In the game of life, there's one problem that's hard to shake off. Hymns: This Is the Day; Great Is Thy Faithfulness; It Is Well with My Soul; Softly & Tenderly Jesus Is Calling; May You Run & Not Be Weary.

Come worship with us this summer and bring along your weekend guests!



Mon July 29th - Thurs August 1st **VBS Vacation Bible School** is coming soon!

Mark your calendar & invite children who live near you to attend (flyers to share info are available). Don't forget your grandchildren or great

grandchildren, ask them to visit you for the week of July 29th – August 1st. We meet from 5:30 – 8:00, supper is provided each evening and our time together is filled with Bible learning, singing, arts and craft projects, science experiments, outdoor recreation, and tons of fun! Online registration information will be



Volunteers needed to help at this event

The Vergas Church is sponsoring a table / booth in conjunction with "Shops and Hops" a Vergas community function to increase our visibility in the community.

"Upcoming Bake Sale ~ Help Needed

The Church Ladies are having a bake sale the day of the "Shops N Hops" event to earn money for charities. The event is on June 8th from 3 - 6 pm.

We would love to have donations of baked goods or dollars to make this a successful event.

The Vergas Church Ladies



Next meeting Monday, June 20th 12:30pm at the church.



Blessings at the Beach

Building upon an idea that came up during our Spring Bible study of the book "Multiplying Love", Members of Vergas UMC are going to meet at the public

beach 3pm Wednesday June 12 & 26, July 10 & 24.

Our purpose is to go beyond our church doors to meet people and bless whomever is present with ice cream treats, the offer of hearing a Bible story and coloring a sheet that matches the story. Donations of money to purchase treats and volunteer time on any Wednesday to hand out treats are greatly appreciated. For more info on how you can be a part of this ministry, talk with Rick Nelson or Pastor Joyce.

Free Faith Float Fests

Dent UMC will be inviting the community to come to the church the **last Wednesday of the months of June**, **July**, **and August** to have a free pop float (a variety of flavors will be available), enjoy some indoor or outdoor games and visit with their fellow neighbors in Dent. Donations of pop, ice cream, time and games are appreciated. Talk to anyone on the Leadership Team or Pastor Joyce for more info about this exciting outreach ministry!



PONTOON AND KAYAKING SUMMER SCHEDULE



We have planned to meet 2 times a month, on the date and at the time that works best for the hosts who will provide the main part of the meal. Bring something to contribute to the potluck meal and if you want an adult beverage – bring your own. We are still looking for hosts in August or anytime during the summer that is convenient for you. Call Pastor Joyce at 763-742-4241 and Sheri at 218-329-7465 so info about your date and time can be included in future newsletters and in the Sunday announcements.

June 13 th	Thursday	5 pm	Rick & Margy Nelsons	46945 Big Owl Loop Vergas
June 23 rd	Sunday	5 pm	Bryan & Eileen Giese	32016 Loon Dr Vergas
July 9 th	Tuesday	5 pm	Jane Wasvick & Don's	25222 Dunton Locks Rd DL
July 30 th	Tuesday	5 pm	Lisa Wrabek's	32501 Starland Shore Dr Dent









June 21st Vergas Blessing Meal

 \sim 5:30 - 6:30pm, we will be blessing the City of Vergas by inviting folks to a free cookout at Lions Park (across the street from the church). This is a way for us to meet and greet more of the people in Vergas and share a little bit about who we are and that we want to simply bless them with a free meal. The plan is to provide hot dogs, maybe hamburgers, cole slaw, chips, and a beverage. We will a variety of kinds of help: cooking, moving tables to the park, greeting people, talking with them, sharing info about our church, donations of food or money to cover the cost and of course, other jobs. Talk to any Ad Council member: Pastor Joyce, Sheri, Faye, Dave R, Jane, Tonya, or Doreen if you would like to help!

Perham Area's 5th Annual Bible Reading Marathon

Wednesday, June 12, 2024 Krauss Park, 6th St SW, Perham



What to Expect Throughout the Day:

- * Prayer / Resource Tent
- * Entertainment
- * Family Focus & Fun
- * Fellowship with Others
- * Food (Free Will Offering)

Dent Breakfast Club



Meets at Mysteries Café 9am on the 1st Wednesday of the month







Wednesday, June 19th Dent 3:00pm Vergas 6:30pm



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No Meeting in June Next Meeting Tues, July 2nd 12:30pm Mysteries Café in Dent Book of Your Choice

2024 The Bridge Food PantryMonthly Donation Needs

June - Pasta July - Canned Fruit August - Personal Care Items September - Breakfast Items October - Tomato Products November - Baking Items December - Canned Meats

**Please ensure all items are new, unopened, and not expired. **





Church Mission's ~ Vergas and Dent



The Mission of the Quarter is UMCOR which is the United Methodist Committee on Relief. As the humanitarian relief and development arm of The United Methodist Church, **UMCOR** assists United Methodists and churches to become involved globally in direct ministry to persons in need. UMCOR comes alongside those who suffer from natural or human - caused disasters – famine, hurricane, war, flood, fire or other events - to alleviate suffering and serve as a source of help and hope for the vulnerable. UMCOR provides relief, response, and long-term recovery grants when events overwhelm a community's ability to recover on their own. UMCOR also provides technical support and training for partners to address emerging and ongoing issues related to disaster relief, recovery, and long-term health and development. They are currently working in many areas of the United States following the tornadoes and floods in the first quarter of 2024. UMCOR is still assisting Ukraine during the war there.

Vergas Local Outreach

The Local Mission for March was to be Feed My Starving Children, but we received a donation for that so the \$300 was sent to the family of Addison Dennison, who is a 14 year old girls dealing with an aggressive Lymphoma. April mission dollars of \$150 will be spent to purchase gas cards to give away at Shops and Hops. The other \$150 will be spent on Ice Cream Treats for the park giveaway.



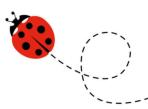
JUNE VOLUNTEERS LISTS

June Ushers
Richard & Karen J.

June Liturgist	
Darlene H	

June	Fellowship			
02	Dorothy W / Ivy M			
09	Michelle & Kelvin S			
16				
23	Peggy & Lyndon J.			
30	Richard & Karen J.			

June	Vergas	Vergas Ushers	Fellowship	
02	Carla R.	NEEDED	Potluck	
09	Tonya J.	David & Carla R.	Renee S.	
16	Bev F.	Faye & Tonya	Faye C.	
23	Margy N.	NEEDED	Bev F.	
30 Bryan G.		NEEDED	NEEDED	



If you are unable to be there on a Sunday, please find a substitute to fill in for you. Thank You!



Vergas Birthday's

June 2nd Sondra Flett June 9th Doreen Schwarzrock

Dent Birthday's

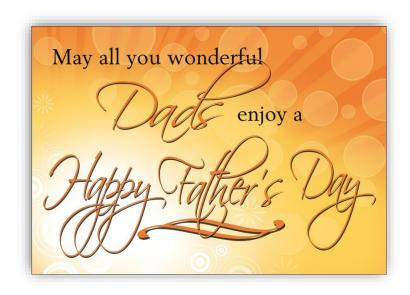
June 9th Carolann Garber
June 10th Rob Mickelson
June 16th Joanne Stiras
June 24th Jim Dahlen
June 27th Bob Belsly





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"Worship Times"

Dent UMC

8:30am Pre Fellowship 9am Worship Service

Vergas UMC

9:30am Adult Sunday School (Sep thru May) 10:30am Worship Service 11:30am Coffee Fellowship



Livestream Service begins at 10:30am on the Vergas Facebook page



Recorded Service will be posted on YouTube and dentvergasumc.org

Click on the icon or link to go to the site

Are there things you would like to see each month in your newsletter? Would you like to write an article? Submit photographs? Share a recipe? Please let us know and we will do our best to include it here. Also, If you want your Newsletter delivered by email. Please let Sheri Schoenberger know at sheri.Lschoenberger@gmail.com or call her at 218-329-7465

Additions to the newsletter, deadline for July, is June 26, 2024.

We will be sending out the newsletter on the first or second Sunday of each month, if possible. To defray costs the newsletter will be offered in the following formats:

Email - Website - In person pick up at church - 1st or 2nd Sunday of the month. **US Mail -** Remaining newsletters will be mailed on the 1st or 2nd Monday of the month.

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June / July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue		Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship Times 9am Dent 10:30am Vergas and Livestream	Pastor Joyce Office Hours 2- 3:30pm Tuesdays Dent Thurs. Vergas						Russ Waldorf Funeral at Dent 3-4pm Visitation 4 - 5pm Service
Sondra F (V) 2	3	No Book Club in June		5 9am Dent Breakfast Club @ Mysteries Café	6	7	3:30 - 7pm Shops & Hops in Vergas Church Ladies Bake Sale
Doreen S. (V) 9 Carolann G (D)	Rob M. (D) 10		11	3pm Ice Cream Give Away at the Beach	5pm Kayaking Nelson's 46945 Big Owl Loop, Vergas	14	15
Joann S. (D) 16 · HAPPY· Fathers Day	17	1	18	19 Ad Council 3pm Dent 6:30pm Vergas	20 12:30pm Church Ladies meeting	21 5:30 - 6:30pm Vergas Blessing Picnic in the Park	22
23 5pm Kayaking at Giese's. 32016 Loon Dr Vergas	Jim D. (D) 24	2		3pm Vergas 26 Ice Cream Give Away at the Beach Dent UMC Free Faith Float Fest	Bob B. (D) 27	28	29
30	1	12:30pm Book Club	2	3 9am Dent Breakfast Club Mysteries Café	4	5	6