

JUNE WORSHIP

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This booklet contains the outline for each worship service during the month of June 2021. As of the time of going to print, Sunday worship is in person, online and broadcast on the radio (you can listen in your car on FM 87.9, in the church parking lot). If you are not able to attend in person, you can watch online on our website and YouTube channel. Even if we are not worshipping in the same building, we are still one body, one family, we are brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus. Look up the scriptures referenced in the following pages; pray the words, and claim the promises for you and your family. - Pastor Viv.

So Long, Farewell.

I love the movie, 'The Sound Of Music' and have seen it many, many times. For anyone familiar with this film, it is easy to see why it has become such a household classic and beloved by folks all around the world. When faced with life-changing circumstances; when faced with adversity; when faced with what seem like insurmountable challenges; the family bands together, makes a plan and escapes to safety. In a funny kind of way, I feel like this has been our Cherryvale story for the last year or so.

The real Maria Von Trapp said, she believed that the film would help restore people's faith in God, (one of her personal priorities), and do "great good" by spreading hope.

As my time here at Cherryvale draws to a close, it is my prayer for you that you would stay 'banded' together as a family; make strong plans to reach the community to restore their faith in God, and do 'great good' by spreading the hope of our Lord Jesus Christ. You all, will always be in my prayers.

.....Blessings - Pastor Viv

To the tune of So Long, Farewell from The Sound Of Music, I leave you with a little levity.

There's a sad sort of clanging from the clock in the office,
And the bells in the bell room too
And up in the parsonage an absurd little bird
Is popping out to say "cuckoo"
My family, they tell me but firmly they compel me,
To say goodbye...Cuckoo! . . . to you.
So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, Cherryvale church
I hate to go and leave this pretty perch.
So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, adieu
I'm going to miss our lawn chair visits for sure.
So long, farewell, au revoir, auf wiedersehen
I'd like to stay and taste my last communion wine,
So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, goodbye
I leave and heave a sigh and say goodbye -- Goodbye!
I'm glad to go, I cannot tell a lie
I've packed, I've moved, driven there and back so many times,
The sun has gone to Madison and so must I
So long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, goodbye
Goodbye, goodbye, goodbye
Goodbye!

June Worship

Worship June 6

Scriptures to read and meditate on

Mark 3:20-35; 1 Samuel 8:4-20 (11:14-15); Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Thought for the week

Today, in this hour, at this moment, we are in a regular rhythm of letting God work in us. Here we rest from daily work. This is the moment our souls have been waiting for, even if some of us didn't know we needed it.

Call To Worship

We look to the rulers of this earth for leadership, wisdom, and strength. We look to these bodies of ours for stability, fulfillment, and joy. We look to families and friends for love, compassion, and hope. When rulers betray, when bodies fail, and when families disappoint, God offers another look. God will guide us. God's Spirit will sustain us. Christ will welcome us home. Come, my sisters and brothers, we are all God's family now.

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, you call us like a good parent to you to guide and protect us, to nourish and lead us. Brother Jesus, you call us like a caring elder brother to serve us and help us, to cheer us and invite us. Healing Spirit, you call us and move us ever closer into fellowship with you and each other.

Yet like unruly children we strain at your guidance, we try to break away and do it ourselves. We feel our strength and imagine to be all powerful. We rejoice in our life and imagine ourselves to be immortal. We know our talents and want to be independent rather than depend on you. Before we know it we are in the grip of other powers, leading us away from your loving ways into the slavery of selfish greed, adoring false gods of youth-fullness, materialism and power. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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Worship June 13

Scriptures to read and meditate on

Mark 4:26-34; 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

Thought for the week

Never be daunted by small beginnings. It may seem that at the moment we can produce only a very small effect; but if that small effect is repeated and repeated the small effect will become very great. – William Barclay

Call To Worship

The Lord answers us in our day of trouble. The name of the God of Jacob protects us. God is our help, now and forever. We shout with joy!

Prayer of Confession

We know that we are called to at work for your kingdom, O God, but we fail to heed that call. Forgive us when we shirk our responsibilities to you and to those seeking your grace and peace in the world. Teach us, mighty God, to use our gifts wisely and to do our work for your kingdom gladly. Though our faith may feel small, assure us today, God, that in your hands, even a small faith is mighty. Give us the opportunity to be co-creators with you in this hurting and dying world. Remove our selfishness and give us generous hearts for all who cross our paths. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

June Worship

Worship June 20

Scripture to read and meditate on

Mark 4:35-41; 1 Samuel 17:1-49; Psalm 9:9-20; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Thought for the week

We must always trust God and remain alert in life's storms.

Call To Worship

Let us give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! For his steadfast love endures forever. When we are hungry and thirsty, our Lord delivers us. For his steadfast love endures forever. When our world seems dark and lonely, the Lord delivers us. For his steadfast love endures forever. When the storms of life toss us about, the Lord delivers us. For his steadfast love endures forever. Let us give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! For his steadfast love endures forever.

Prayer of Confession

Forgiving and merciful God, we come before you with open hearts. We confess that we, like Job, have misunderstood our place in life. We have puffed ourselves up with pride. We believe we can tell you how to run this world. Remind us, O God, of your power. Remind us that it is you who laid the foundations of the Earth. It is you who made the clouds and put the dawn in its place. We stand in awe of you this morning, Lord, as we seek your mercy. We seek reconciliation with you, loving God. We seek your peace and grace. May it be so. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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Worship June 27

Scriptures to read and meditate on

Mark 5:21-43; 2 Samuel 1:1,17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Thought for the day

We must overcome our fear and approach God with faith so that we will be made whole.

Call To Worship

Out of our despair we cry to you, O Lord! Lord, hear our voice! We wait for you, O Lord. Lord, hear our voice! Our hope is in you, O Lord. Lord, hear our voice! We celebrate your steadfast love, O Lord. Lord, hear our voice!

Prayer of Confession

It is easy for us to fall into despair, God. We humans are beset by problems in our world and in our personal lives that seem insurmountable. We confess that instead of bringing our problems to you, Almighty God, we tinker with them ourselves. We put our faith in ourselves that we can solve our problems and the problems of the world. Forgive us for our folly and remind us that it is you who can heal us – it is you who brings wholeness and mercy. Turn our hearts of stone into hearts of flesh that seek you in both good times and bad. Let us always be reaching for the hem of your garment. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Cans and Kits 4 Conference

The Virginia Conference has invited every church to participate in this year's Annual Conference mission project called "Community Cans & Kits." You may recall the "Kits for Conference" and "Cans 4 Conference" initiatives in the past when UMCOR kits and canned food were collected and delivered to Annual Conference. This year Annual Conference will be held virtually, and there are several options for helping. Maybe you would like to pick one or a Sunday School class would like to pick one option for focus. We are encouraged to have a "Fill the Church with Canned Goods Sunday" the first week of June. So let's see how much we can gather by June 6 and we'll ask those offerings to be blessed before they are distributed. The local ministries to be served are: Valley Mission, Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, Augusta County Schools, Marquis Memorial Food Pantry

Needs for food pantries: canned goods...especially soups, vegetables, canned pastas, (but no more green beans please), etc. There is an immediate need for: peanut butter, crackers, pop top soups, Pop tarts, Vienna sausages. There is an immediate need for non-food items: soap, laundry detergent, dish detergent, bathroom tissue, paper towels, shaving cream, and our UMCOR hygiene kits.

While hygiene kits, flood buckets, school kits are always in demand, Conference cannot accept kits this year. He says they want to concentrate on hygiene kits for local distribution, as well as the canned goods and non-food items. Listed below is the Hygiene Kit Material list from the UMCOR site. If you choose to put these kits together, bring them to church. We'll get them delivered

Monetary donations are greatly appreciated. If you have questions, contact me at 540-430-3503 or bstreeves@gmail.com. If I can't answer your question, I'll try to find the answer. You can also check out the Conference website at www.vaumc.org/kits. Cherryvale is always so generous. Thank you for responding to the need! - Bonnie Reeves

Hygiene Kit Materials

- **One hand towel (15 x 25 –17 x 27 inches)**
No kitchen, cleaning, or microfiber towels
- **One washcloth**
No kitchen, cleaning, or microfiber towels
- **One comb**
Must be sturdy with at least 6 inches of teeth
No pocket combs or picks
Rattail and combs without handles are acceptable but must have at least 6 inches of teeth
- **One toenail or fingernail clipper**
No emery boards or metal nail files
- **Bath-size soap (3 oz. bar or larger)**
No Ivory or Jergen's soap
Do not remove from packaging
- **One adult toothbrush**
Do not remove from packaging
Personal advertising not acceptable
- **10 adhesive bandages (¾ by 3 inches)**
Common household bandages acceptable
- **One one-gallon size re-sealable bag**

Assembly Instructions

- Lay hand towel flat on a table.
- Lay the washcloth in the center of the hand towel.
- Place all remaining items on top of the washcloth (except the plastic bag).
- Fold the sides of the hand towel to cover the items.
- Grasp the bundle tightly and roll over the remainder of the towel.
- Place the tightly rolled bundle in the plastic bag, remove air, and seal.

Important Notes

- All items must be new.
 - Do not wash any of the items as they will no longer be considered new.
 - Do not include any personal notes, money or additional materials in the kits.
- Contents of kits or the containers of kits should not be imprinted with cartoon characters, advertisements, religious, patriotic, military or camouflage symbols

Devotion Finds A Way

Isn't it frustrating when you lose things? Especially when it is important things and you are late, such as glasses or car keys. Even though we may be the last one to have seen and touched the item, we always think someone else moved the item.

We don't like losing things – glasses, keys, pens, phone, but we especially should hate losing the anointing and keen awareness of God. It should make us very uncomfortable when the fire goes out or the sensitivity to Holy Spirit wanes. What most of us discover is that this happens gradually, without us consciously realizing it. We who have within us the well of salvation, the river of life, sometimes fail to drink from it.

Seeking and loving God with all our hearts, souls, minds and strength is often lost in the melee of doing life. Priorities sometimes need to be re-prioritized. We “court” many things in life: success, advancement, fame, other people, glory, money, favor, and a myriad of other goals we humans strive to reach. Gordon Dahl aptly said, “Many Americans tend to worship their work, to work at their play, and to play at their worship.”

This is so true. We often forget to drink from the fountain filling our spirits. Growing thirsty, we take another drink. God's desire, however, is that we continuously drink from the fountain, live in His river, and abide in His wrap around presence.

Quoting A.W. Tozer: “There are occasions when for hours I lay prostrate before God without saying a word of prayer or a word of praise – I just gaze on Him and worship. Sometimes no words are needed. We just enjoy one another's company.”

“Alvin Straight, age 73, lived in Laurens, Iowa. His estranged brother, Lyle, age 80, lived 240 miles away in Blue River, Wisconsin. According to the Associated Press, Alvin's brother had suffered a stroke, and Alvin wanted to see him and make amends, He had a transportation problem, however. He didn't have a driver's license because his legs and eyesight were bad, and he apparently had an aversion to taking a plane, train, or bus. But Alvin didn't let that stop him. In 1994 he hitched a trailer to his 1966 John Deere tractor lawn mower, climbed aboard, and drove it – 5 mph – all the way to Blue River, Wisconsin. “Devotion finds a way.”

It is easy to see how the last 14 months could have affected your ability to enjoy the pleasure of the Father's company. But the Holy Spirit is calling us to drink from His fountain, and to draw near to Him. In Israel's history, Yahweh typically encouraged the Israelites to draw near to Him before He performed great redemptive acts. As preparation for the coming revival, He is saying the same to us - “Draw near to Me.” Hebrews 7:19, a better hope is introduced, (Jesus) by which we draw near to God.

Let's Pray together:

Father, it is our desire to draw near to You, we ask You to draw near to us. And we are confident You will. Prepare us for the next season of Holy Spirit outpouring. Change our wine skins. Make them fresh and pliable. Help us to refocus and become undistracted by life and it's challenges.

Where we have lost our cutting edge, please re-sharpen it. Where we have lost our hunger, please help us find it. Where we have lost our commitment, please help us find repentance. Our desire is to be rightly positioned with You so You can do the wondrous things You desire to do in our lives, our city, our nation and the world. In Christ's name we ask this, Amen.

Hebrews Word Search

Just for fun, or use as a teaching aide with your younger family members.

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Find the **29 bold** words or phrases from Hebrews 20: 19-25

A Call to Persevere in Faith

¹⁹ Therefore, **brothers** and **sisters**, since we have **confidence** to enter the **Most Holy Place** by the **blood** of **Jesus**,
²⁰ by a new and **living way** opened for us through the **curtain**, that is, **his body**,²¹ and since we have a **great priest** over the house of God,²² let us **draw near** to God with a **sincere heart** and with the full **assurance** that faith brings, having our hearts **sprinkled** to **cleanse us** from a **guilty conscience** and having our **bodies washed** with **pure water**.²³ Let us hold **unswervingly** to the **hope** we profess, for he who **promised** is **faithful**.²⁴ And let us **consider** how we may **spur one another** on **toward love** and **good deeds**,²⁵ not giving up **meeting together**, as some are in the habit of doing, but **encouraging** one another - and all the more as you see the **Day approaching**.

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Sunday, June 27, 2021

National Onion Day

National Ice Cream Cake Day

National Sunglasses Day

National Orange Blossom Day

Pastor Viv's last Sunday



Please Join Us in Welcoming Pastor Jonathan Greer

Jonathan was born in Roanoke, VA and moved around Virginia, as his dad was a UMC pastor. Laney was born and raised in Staunton, VA. Jonathan sensed a calling into the ministry at a young age, but he never wanted to follow this call. He ran away from it until his first semester in college when God really made his calling pronounced. Laney, as well, had a sense of her calling at a young age to be a

pastor's wife, or a pastor. Jonathan received his Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree from Blue Ridge Community College. Both Jonathan and Laney completed their undergrad work at Bridgewater College. Jonathan earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Music with a focus in Church Music, while Laney earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Family and Consumer Science, with a hope to pursue family counseling. They were married in 2014 and moved to Durham, NC in 2015 where Jonathan went on to earn his Master of Divinity Degree from Duke Divinity School. Jonathan has been serving the Epworth/Mountain Valley Charge since 2018. Jonathan has also been approved to be commissioned as a Provisional Elder at this year's Annual Conference. Laney is currently a stay-at-home mom while also selling her artwork. Jonathan and Laney have two children, Samuel, who is 2 years old, and AnnaBella, who is 4 months old.



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