



# Vernon Park Church of God

June 2017

*Committed to loving God, loving others and serving others!*

# Progress!



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**For more information, contact the church office at 708.753.1975**







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## *Announcements*



*A Community Supported Agriculture Project of Vernon Park Church of God*



**Full Share - \$350.00**

For the Harvest Season

*SHAREHOLDERS WILL RECEIVE ALL NATURAL  
PESTICIDE-FREE PRODUCE EVERY OTHER  
WEEK DURING THE 2017 HARVEST SEASON*



**Half Share - \$175.00**

For the Harvest Season

*For more information on the Mother Carr's  
Farm Project, please contact the church office  
at 708.753.1975 or visit our website at*

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## *Wedding Anniversaries*

*Harold & V. Essia (Jean) Battie - 13 years, June 5<sup>th</sup>*

*Charles & Mary Sawyer - 46 years, June 9<sup>th</sup>*

*Rodney & Tarsa Tucker - 16 years, June 9<sup>th</sup>*

*Darnell & Bonita Boxley - 17 years, June 17<sup>th</sup>*

*Fred & Flora M. Lott - 62 years, June 17<sup>th</sup>*

*Bruce & Barbara McKinney - 34 years, June 18<sup>th</sup>*

*Eric & Andrea January - 18 years, June 19<sup>th</sup>*

*James & Mary Laster - 25 years, June 20<sup>th</sup>*

*Robert & Annie Ruth Walker - 47 years, June 20<sup>th</sup>*

*James & Ladeyiha Reed - 14 years, June 21<sup>st</sup>*

*Chitunda & Danielle Tillman - 10 years, June 23<sup>rd</sup>*

*Tony & Carolyn Williamson - 9 years, June 27<sup>th</sup>*

*Jesse & Carla Norfleet Taylor - 19 years, June 27<sup>th</sup>*

*Tony & Vanessa Davis - 16 years, June 28<sup>th</sup>*





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## *Responsive Readings*

**June 4, 2017, Joshua 1:2-11, "Possess The Land"**

**Lead:** "Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them to the Israelites. I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses.

**Cong:** Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates all the Hittite country to the Mediterranean Sea in the west. No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you.

**Lead:** Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them. "Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go.

**Cong:** Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

**Lead:** Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

**Together:** So Joshua ordered the officers of the people: "Go through the camp and tell the people, 'Get your provisions ready. Three days from now you will cross the Jordan here to go in and take possession of the land the Lord your God is giving you for your own.

## **Graduation and Moving On Ceremony**

**Saturday, July 8th**

**10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

*All graduates are to arrive by 9:00 a.m.*

**There will be a MANDATORY MEETING for all grads and/or parents.  
You will receive detailed information about the ceremony.**

**Sunday, June 4th**

**In the overflow room after service**



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## *Responsive Readings*

### **June 11, 2017, Ephesians 6:11-18, "The Full Armor of God"**

**Lead:** Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

**Cong:** For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

**Lead:** Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

**Cong:** Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.

**Lead:** In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

**Together:** And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

### **June 18, 2017, Ephesians 1:2-14, "Spiritual Blessings in Christ"**

**Lead:** Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight.

**Cong:** In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

**Lead:** In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding, he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure.

**Cong:** Which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment - to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ. In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will.

**Lead:** In order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

**Together:** When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession - to the praise of his glory.





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### **June 25, 2017, Psalm 46:1-11, "God Our Fortress, Our Strength"**

**Lead:** God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

**Cong:** There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

**Lead:** Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Come and see what the Lord has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth.

**Cong:** He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

**Lead:** He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

**Together:** The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.





# Vernon Park *Church of God*

*Speaker:*

*Sermon:*

*Date: June 4, 2017*

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*Date: June 11, 2017*

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*Date: June 18, 2017*

*Speaker:*

*Sermon:*

*Date: June 25, 2017*



# Happy Father's Day

