



*The entire crowd  
was rejoicing  
at all the wonderful things  
that he was doing.*



\*HYMN "Onward, Christian Soldiers" No. 575

SERMON "The Church Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow" Pastor Ethan

**OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

\*CLOSING HYMN "O Zion, Haste" No. 573

**\*BENEDICTION**

\*THREEFOLD AMEN (unison) Hymnal No. 898

**\*POSTLUDE**

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**LIBERTY POLE**

**VIROQUA**

USHERS . . . . . John & Rita Burckhardt . . . . . Chuck & Kathie Stelzner

GREETER . . . . . Cavan Fang

ACOLYTES . . . . . volunteer . . . . . Ben Hanson

NURSERY ATTENDANT . . . . . Judy Ball

LITURGISTS . . . . . Chuck Metz . . . . . Joanne Hornby

Last Sunday's attendance: 51 56

Last Sunday's offering: \$753.25 \$912.75

Pastor Ethan Larson

Organists: Joyce Funk (Liberty Pole), Kathy Hanson & Barb Casper (Viroqua)

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THE WVRQ RADIO BROADCAST today is sponsored by David and Lorna Peterson in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary on October 24.

THE LIBERTY POLE BULLETINS today are sponsored by Barb and Wayne Robson.

THE VIROQUA BULLETINS today are given in honor of John and Vyrus Huschka's 64th wedding anniversary on October 31.

*A few Sundays in 2009 are still available for radio and bulletin sponsorships! Be sure to sign up in the church office.*

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### CALENDAR

- Wed. 4 PM confirmation class at Viroqua  
Wed. 6 PM choir practice at Viroqua  
Thurs. 1:15 PM prayer meeting at Viroqua  
next Sun. All Saints Day, and communion
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The next **IG-Nite** will be Weds., Nov. 4th, in the Viroqua church fellowship hall. We'll start at 5:30 with a German-themed meal, followed by a variety of fun and informational activities. Elena Benden, the exchange student from Germany hosted by the Mulvaney-Kemps, will speak about her home and her culture. There will also be a parenting class, a presentation about the "Sandwich Generation"-- those who are caring for their children as well as their own aging parents--and board games and other active challenge games. Child care and children's activities will be provided. There is no cost or registration required to attend IG-Nite. Everyone is welcome--members and nonmembers alike. We hope to see you there!

Thanksgiving is coming! As part of our church's Thanksgiving celebration this year, we are **collecting canned goods** and other donations for the food pantry for the first four Sundays of November. Please bring your donations with you to church and put them in the food pantry shopping cart. Monetary donations are also welcome--checks should be made out to the church.

Viroqua Church: Please pick up your third quarter **offering statements** in the narthex. Today is the last Sunday to do so, before we must mail out those that remain. Postage is expensive, so please deliver any that you can to friends and family.

The Missions Committee will be hosting a **bake sale** on Sunday, November 8, in the narthex before and after worship. All proceeds will go to support our missionary, Paul Webster.

## Matthew 18:15-20

15 "If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. 16 But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that 'every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.' 17 If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, treat him as you would a pagan or a tax collector. 18 "I tell you the truth, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 "Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them."

## I Thessalonians 4:1-12

1 Finally, brothers, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. 2 For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus. 3 It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; 4 that each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honorable, 5 not in passionate lust like the heathen, who do not know God; 6 and that in this matter no one should wrong his brother or take advantage of him. The Lord will punish men for all such sins, as we have already told you and warned you. 7 For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. 8 Therefore, he who rejects this instruction does not reject man but God, who gives you his Holy Spirit.

9 Now about brotherly love we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. 10 And in fact, you do love all the brothers throughout Macedonia. Yet we urge you, brothers, to do so more and more. 11 Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, 12 so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.