

Vanna News July-August 2023

What an exciting time we are entering in the life of Vanna United Methodist Church. This excitement has both positive and sad aspects. Our worship is now greatly enhanced with a new audio/video system which we consecrated for God's service Sunday, July 16, after thanking God for generous gifts from family and friends of Claudia Jersey. But for those that know we are separating from the United Methodist Church it is a poignant time for the history of Vanna United Methodist will close. So many of us have found memories of growing up in this small, rural church: attending homecomings, special singings, weekly chapel years ago when the elementary school was next door, and Sunday School and worship every Sunday. Now, as the United Methodist Church leadership chooses a path to be more inclusive, we choose to worship and honor God as we always have, frequently adding new ideas for how to love our neighbors

Because we are disaffiliating from the United Methodist Church, one of the things we must do soon is choose a new name. Since it is important for all members to have a voice in deciding a new name, we are inviting people to submit suggestions for a new name on Sunday, July 23 and 30, and then on Sunday August 6, church members will vote using the suggestions submitted. This must be done now to facilitate all correspondence and legal references to who we are becoming. So be thinking and praying about a new name. What an exciting time we are entering in the life of our church!!

Be sure to check the events calendar for upcoming events. We are looking forward to a fish fry in August and an Ice Cream and Games Event also in August! Enjoy the rest of this summer and be blessed in all you do!! Love Gale and Rich