

The liturgical color is gold, symbolizing joy and festivities

PRELUDE "It Is Well With My Soul" Philip P. Bliss/arr. Janet Linker
Amy Bender, Organ

WELCOME Karen Scott, liturgist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We are called to be people of faith in the midst of an ever-progressing world,
and so we mix our worship and our work, our faith and our life.
We gather here as people who live in the world and yet,
we gather as people who have been called to see the world from a different viewpoint.
God has called us together. God has called us to be part of a community.
God challenges us to consider questions of priority as we engage with the world.
In this time together, may God open our hearts, minds, and eyes,
allowing us to see deeper,
helping us to live
while still offering a challenge!

***OPENING HYMN** "O God, Our Help In Ages Past" UMH 117

OPENING PRAYER

Children are invited to stay in worship or meet in the Narthex to go to Sunday School

ANTHEM 9:00 "O Clap Your Hands" Victor C. Johnson
Capella: Laurie Babcock, Noralee Starr, Karen Nemelka, Tammy Palermo

11:00 "Hold On to the Rock" Pepper Choplin
Chancel Choir; Ruth Aplin, soloist; Bonnie Budziak, accompanist

SHARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

FAITH IN ACTION

SHARING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You may place your offering in the Offering Box at the entrance of the Sanctuary or give online using the link on the back of the bulletin

OFFERTORY 9:00 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Dan Forrest
11:00 "The Prayer" arr. Tom Fettke
Chancel Choir; Bonnie Budziak, accompanist

***DOXOLOGY #94**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts;
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Almighty God, as we give our tithes and offerings, we ask that you would bless the world in return. Cause the windows of heaven to open! Pour out showers of blessings as you promised! We come with open hearts to your ministry here on earth, this we pray, Amen.

HYMN OF CENTERING

"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" UMH 277

Hymn History: The music to this hymn was written by Frederick Challinor. Born in Langton, England in 1866, Challinor was the son of a miner who was also a Methodist Lay Preacher. He began working in a brickworks at age ten and as a miner by age twelve. His family received a cottage piano as a legacy and this inspired Challinor to study music. Though sometimes ridiculed by his co-workers, he continued studying music on his own. A cottage piano is an upright piano about four feet tall. Frederick left the mines and attended the Royal College of Music where he graduated with distinction in 1897. He wrote the music to this hymn for a competition sponsored by the National Sunday School Union of London. He used the words to a hymn written earlier by William H Parker. Challinor died in Paignton, England in 1952.

SCRIPTURE

II Timothy 3:16-17 p. 843

MESSAGE

"This Is Us: Being United Methodist | *We Are Bible Based*"
Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith

***HYMN OF MISSION**

"Thy Word Is A Lamp" UMH 601

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION SUNG RESPONSE** "Go Now In Peace"

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.**

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POSTLUDE

"Psalm of Joy" George Blake

* Congregation invited to stand if able



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In Loving Memory of Judy

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Traditional Worship

April 21, 2024

NEW MEMBERS

This past Sunday we welcomed new members to our church. We are so excited to build relationships, worship, and fellowship together for years to come!



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Shoe Drive

Visit the bin in the Gallery to drop off sneakers in any condition to raise money for The Sub Zero Mission! The drive is hosted through gotsneakers.org, an organization whose mission is to partner with the sneaker community to recycle and reuse sneakers. Sneakers donated help to purchase gloves, winter hats, and boots for the homeless population in northeast Ohio and beyond.

MUMC Softball

Softball season is coming soon! We are always looking to add players. No rules on gender or church membership (friends are welcome). Players must be 18+, but 16 & 17-year-olds are eligible if with a parent or guardian. Anyone interested should contact Brian Bly for more: 440-463-7712 brianbly11@gmail.com

Lake County Youth Lock-In

Lake Co UMC Youth Directors will hold grand events for the youth monthly in Greater Cleveland. We at MUMC will be hosting the FIRST event on Friday, May 17, from 7 PM to 7 AM for a massive lock-in. This event will allow our youth to not only fellowship with one another, but give them the opportunity to meet with youth outside of Lake Co. Contact Briyant Hines to learn more or get registered.

APRIL MISSION MOMENT: Food Ministry

Help support our ongoing and various food missions. Consider donating or designating your giving to Food Ministry. There will be special Food Ministry envelopes available in the Information Hub, Fellowship Hall, and in the Narthex. Mail your giving, drop it off in the offering boxes/church office, or give online through our website or app.

THANK YOU!

A very big thank you to all our volunteers who helped organize, clean, and support the effort of this year's Rummage Sale. It's such a blessing to fellowship with our church AND our community.



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Members who are in need of prayer:

Karen Mancini, Marilyn Oliver, Luke Sanvido, David Fell, Ruthie Hobart, Mike Cosmo, Lois Dyckman, Kathy Fellows

Members admitted to Rehab, Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility:

The Enclave - Delores Tackett, Johanna Kessler, Dee Smith, Mary Lou Haines, John Shetler

Salida Woods - Doris Sturm

Aristocrat Berea - Virginia Gilman

Parker Place - Bill Owen, Bob & Sandy Linsell, Deloris Parsons

Danbury Senior Living - Kathryn Bevacqua

Tapestry - Gloria McFeely

Symphony of Mentor - Lorraine Ahlstrom

Breckenridge/Fairmount - Patricia Laubscher

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Upcoming *This Week*

Wednesday, April 24

- Child & Caregiver Class
- Knitting Group

Monday, April 22

- Parents Morning Out

Tuesday, April 23

- Ring Journey Group
- Being United Methodist Class, 6:30 PM

Thursday, April 25

- Canticle Bells, 6 PM
- Charter Members, 6:45 PM
- Chancel, 7:45 PM

Friday, April 26

- MOMCo