

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Today	MYF	5:30-7:00 P.M.
Monday	AA	8:00-9:00 P.M.
	Al-Anon	7:00-8:00 P.M.
Wednesday	UMW	1:00 P.M.
	First Kids	3:15-6:30 P.M.
Thursday	Kiwanis	11:00-12:00 P.M.
	Bible Study	11:00-12:00 P.M.
Sunday	Seekers	9:30 A.M.
	Worship	10:30 A.M.

10:30 a.m. Attendance (56 in person , 83 online)
General Operating Offering: \$5,139.84
Trustees Preservation Maintenance Fund
Balance: \$2,012.62

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SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters	Ushers	Liturgist
Paula Thorpe	Jim Rolston	Judy Emmons
Ric Thorpe	Jim Grover	
	Karen Berry	

Other Ministries: Campus Crusade for Christ/Athletes in Action
Mark and Mindy Heflin, Ohio University

We welcome each one of you to this special place of worship. We are glad you are here. If you are here for the first time, stop by our Welcome Table in the Rotunda. Ask an usher for coloring books and crayons for busy little hands. Prayer request cards are available on the back of the pews and can be left in the Offering Box as you leave. We hope you feel the love of Jesus and this congregation and will return again to join us soon.

Prayer Requests Health Concerns

Dale Hildreth	Sandye (Stacey's aunt)
Grace Horning	Stacey Oakley Swartz
John Horrigan	Walker Stevens
Ben Kenny	Babetta Thornhill
Kennedy Krueger	Shirley Umfleet
Nancy Rossi	Carl Veith
Chuck Rupert	Dick Vogt



Comfort and Peace

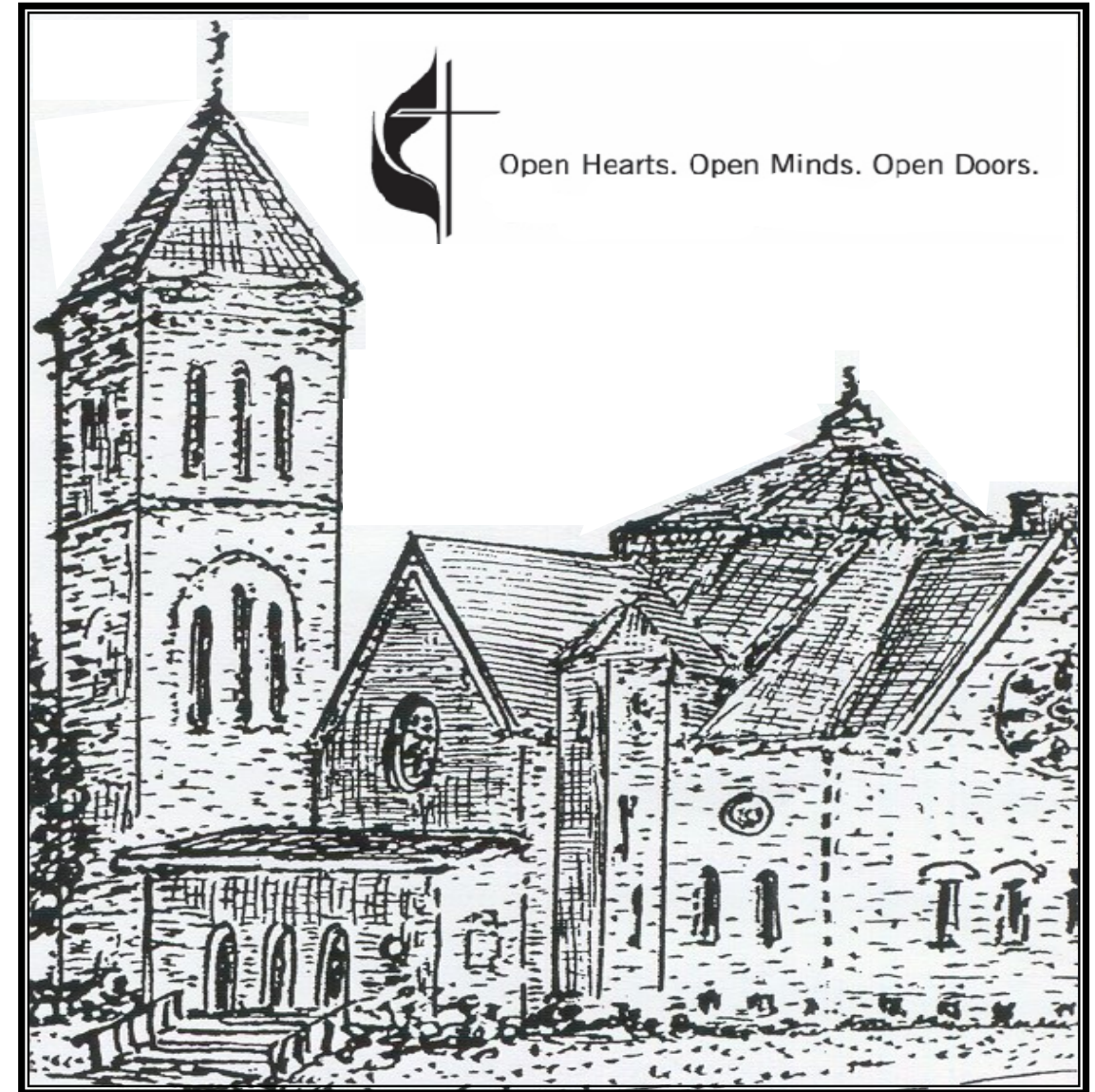
For the family of Ed Wlodarsky who passed on Feb. 29
For the family of Sandy Wurmser who passed on March 1
For the family of Meda Kovacik who passed on March 6
Rev. Ed would like to thank our church family for all of your heartfelt prayers during these difficult days.

In both difficult times and times of celebration and joy we believe in the power of prayer. Please let us know how we can be praying for you.

**THE ALTAR
FLOWERS ARE
GIVEN IN
MEMORY OF
MEDA KOVACIK**

Our Armed Forces

SSgt. Brandon Alley
HM3 Maddie Kirk
Airman Sam Freeman
AB Anah Freeman
Airman Alexandria Koch
CPL Keegan Livingston
SGT Robert Jackson
CMSgt. Ralph Chandler
Sgt. Joshua Arnett
NC Carter James Beck
William Lee - Citadel
Spec. Mark Heflin



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Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

March 10th/4th Sunday in Lent

Pastor: Rev. Ed Kovacik

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red) / FWS = The Faith We Sing (black soft cover)

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE "Thrive" Give 'Em Heaven

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP Judy Emmons, Liturgist
written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, Oct. 2023

Leader - Lenten travelers, the journey is long. Let us take a moment to rest and breathe.

People - Only in God do we find rest.

Leader - Sometimes the road is easy, and we bask in the warmth of the Light who guides us.

People - Other times the road is hard, and we hide from the Light, afraid for our actions to be made known in public.

Leader - Somedays we delight in the joy of journeying together on this road.

People - Other days we struggle with the temptation to judge and condemn one another as we travel this path.

Leader - Today, let us come into the Light together as we learn to love God and one another through the twists and turns of our Lenten journey.

People - Come, let us worship God together! Amen

*OPENING PRAYER

*Hymn "Trust and Obey" Give 'Em Heaven

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

TIME OF PRAYER

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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.**

*We stand to praise God as we are able.

TOGETHER WE THRIVE "Tithing Testimonial" Chris and Lisa Berry

*SCRIPTURE LESSON John 3:14-21 Judy Emmons, Liturgist
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: "Ultimate Love"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "Trading My Sorrows" Give 'Em Heaven

*Doxology **UMH 95**

**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

*Hymn "Blessed Assurance" Give 'Em Heaven

*BENEDICTION

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