

March 20, 2022

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John

*Responsive Reading (Psalm 63:1-4) Rosie Troutman

One: God! My God! It is you!

All: I search for you!

One: My whole being thirsts for you!

All: My body desires you!

One: Yes, I've seen you in the sanctuary;

All: I've seen your power and glory!

One: My lips praise you!

All: Because your faithful love is better than life itself!

One: So I will bless you as long as I'm alive;

All: I will lift up my hands in your name.

*Hymn "Come Down, O Love Divine" No. 475

*Prayer of Affirmation and Assurance Rosie Troutman

Lord Jesus, we have the great good fortune to know you. Not everything in life goes according to plan, but in pledging to follow you, we are assured of future joy in your Father's Kingdom, and so we give you thanks for your compassion in this lifetime and your promise of companionship in the world to come. Amen!

Time of Reflection Rosie Troutman

Prayer of Illumination Rosie Troutman

God of Glory, you light up our lives, especially in times of darkness and despair. May your eternal flame burn brightly inside of us so that we can continue to live a life that is holy and obedient, and so that we can work to draw people to you and your kingdom. May your will be done in this world and the next. Amen!

Call to Confession Pastor John

Prayer of Confession Pastor John

Lord in Heaven, we were not there when you hung from the cross, nor were we present when you arose from the tomb, but we are so grateful for your sacrifice and your ascension, both of which serve as an atonement for our sins. We come before you today with a mixture of sorrow and joy, lamenting our sins but rejoicing in the promise of eternal life that you have provided for us. So with sincere remorse and deep gratitude, we lift up and praise your glorious name. Amen!

Prayer of Illumination Pastor John

Old Testament Reading — Ezekiel 13:20- 23 CEB

New Testament Reading — II Timothy 3:10-17 CEB

Response

One: Let us Rejoice in God's Holy Word

All: For His Word brings us Light, Hope and Joy

*Gloria Patri No. 70

*Hymn "Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire" No. 603

Message "Faith and Fortune" Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Our Gifts to God

*Doxology No. 95

*Hymn "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" No. 474

*Benediction

Postlude

**= please stand in body or spirit*

Sunday Evening Lenten Series

Our Sunday Evening Lenten Series continues tonight at Moreland United Methodist Church. Pastor John will bring the message, titled, "I Got This!" Please consider joining us as we worship and fellowship with area United Methodist Churches from Wooster, Moreland, and New Pittsburg.

Date	Location	Message
March 20	Moreland UMC 138 Moreland Road, Wooster	John Finn
March 27	New Pittsburg UMC 9670 Ashland Road, Wooster	Jim Cooper
April 3	Church of the Cross UMC 5100 Cleveland Road, Wooster	Mike Law

Fellowship Dinner and Guest Speakers

Be sure to join us for our monthly Fellowship Dinner downstairs after today's worship service. Gayle Bryne, coordinated community response specialist at One-Eighty, and Angela Wypasek from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office will be our featured speakers. They will address the different types of intimate partner violence and common victim responses; identify the personality traits of a batterer; define victim advocacy and identify resources; and help us to gain a broader understanding of the services offered by OneEighty as well as the goals of the Wayne County Domestic Violence/ Sexual Assault Coalition.

Daily Bread

Copies of the March-April edition of Our Daily Bread devotional are now available in the Narthex. Pick yours up this week as we make our way through the Lenten Season and prepare to celebrate the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday.



Oak Chapel Praises and Prayers for the Week

Gracious God, we give you thanks for your daily walk with us. Grant us peace and give us hope as we lift up these praises and prayers to you...

Praises

- * Elizabeth Feldman's friends' safe escape from Ukraine
- * Wendy Rife's safe return home last weekend
- * The many ministries at Oak Chapel, including Art and Soul

Prayers

- * Tom Rife as he continues to recover from surgery
- * Melissa Davis as she recovers from surgery
- * Christa, a young widow dealing with a variety of issues
- * Heidi Arnold as she undergoes treatments for brain cancer
- * Christy Rickard's mother-in-law as she recovers from a broken shoulder
- * Safe travel for Cindy Mykrantz and Pam Corbett as they travel to Florida to see their Father
- * Betsy Bower as she continues rehabilitation at Smithville-Western
- * The people of Ukraine caught in the crossfire of war

Today's Prayer Concerns

Time to Order Easter Lilies

Oak Chapel will continue its annual tradition of ordering Easter Lilies this year. If you are interested in placing an order to be displayed on the altar on Easter and then taking it home after the service, please contact Elizabeth Feldman by the March 21st deadline.



Opportunities for Worship and Ministry This Week

Sunday 3/20	Sunday School	9:30 am	
	Worship	10:30 am	
	Fellowship Dinner	11:30 am	
	Sunday Lenten Service	7:00 pm	
	Monday 3/21	Bible Study	9:30 am
Monday 3/21	Finance	6:00 pm	
	Trustees	6:30 pm	
	Administrative Council	7:00 pm	
	Wednesday 3/23	Choir	7:00 pm

Looking Ahead

Sunday 3/27	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	Young Adult Bible Study	11:30 am
	Sunday Lenten Service	7:00 pm
	Monday 3/28	Bible Study
Monday 3/28	Prayer Shawl Ministry	6:00 pm
	Wednesday 3/30	Choir



Financial News:

Tithes and Offerings needed each Sunday for budgeted expenses (February 2022): \$2,937

- 02/06 - \$583
- 02/13 - \$3,649
- 02/20 - \$2,144
- 02/27 - \$1,204

As of 02/28/2022, we received about 65% of our budgeted income for the month of February and 67% YTD. After two years of COVID, Oak Chapel is still alive and well!

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*Serving God and Community
 through Love, Compassion,
 Fellowship and Caring*

Today's Message...
"Faith and Fortune"