

June 9, 2024

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John

Opening Prayer Pastor John

Responsive Proclamation (Psalm 105:1-2) Pastor John

Pastor: Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;

People: Make known among the nations what he has done.

Pastor: Sing to him, sing praise to him;

People: Tell of all his wonderful acts.

*Passing of the Peace

*Apostles' Creed Phyllis Weaver

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. On the third day, he rose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Opening Hymn "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us" No. 381

*Prayer of Assurance Phyllis Weaver

We are not alone in our journey because the Lord watches over us and protects us as our Faithful Shepherd. We give thanks for his guidance, his counsel, his mercy, and his love, as we seek to emulate his compassionate ways. We pledge to strengthen our faith and deepen our commitment so that our testimony will have an impact on others and draw them into a meaningful relationship with our Savior. In His Blessed Name we pray. Amen!

Call to Confession Pastor John

Prayer of Confession Pastor John
Almighty God, our sins violate our covenant with you, but your abundant grace and infinite mercy provide a place of refuge and an opportunity for reconciliation. Forgive us for our sins and lead us out of the darkness and into the light, so that we may continue to follow you loyally and faithfully all the days of our life. In Your Healing Name, we pray. Amen!

Prayer of Preparation Pastor John
Scripture 1 John 10:1-6 Pastor John
Scripture 2 John 10:7-10 Phyllis Weaver
Scripture 3 John 10:11-13 Phyllis Weaver
Scripture 4 John 10:14-18 Pastor John

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 "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" No. 348

Special Music Ohio Light Opera

Message "Commissioning a Shepherd" Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer
The Lord's Prayer No. 895

Presentation of Our Gifts
*The Doxology No. 95
*Prayer Over Our Offerings Pastor John

*Hymn "For the Healing of the Nations" No. 428

Benediction Pastor John

Postlude Jen Moser

*=An Invitation to Stand in Body or Spirit

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Sunday Brunch with Our District Superintendent: Please join us for a conversation with our District Superintendent over brunch following our service today. Rev. Cara Stultz-Costello will be discussing some important information about our church.

Golden Agers Luncheon: This Tuesday at 11:30 a.m.

All-Sons Dinner: Tuesday, June 18. at 6:00 p.m. Men and boys will enjoy a catered meal from the Buckeye Deli. At 7 p.m., everyone will be invited to join us in the sanctuary for a special presentation by local author John Hopkins regarding his book, *The World Will Never See the Like: The Gettysburg Reunion of 1913*. Please RSVP for dinner by 6/11.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame: Friday, July 26, as the Akron rubber Ducks take on the Bowie Baysox.

Card Shower for Elaine Sprinkle: Elaine will be celebrating her 90th birthday on June 29. If you could take a moment to send her a card, you will really make her day. Her address is Wayne County Care Center, 876 South Geyers Chapel Rd, Wooster, Ohio 44691.

Habitat Project: Oak Chapel is looking to re-establish its relationship with Habitat for Humanity of Wayne County. We are planning a project on July 20 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. If you are free that morning, we would love for you to join us. Please sign-up in the Narthex. Future details will be forthcoming.

Upcoming Worship Services

June 16Jack of All Trades
June 23 I Don't Ask Much
June 30Balloons, Buttons, and Bumper Stickers



Praises and Prayers

Father in Heaven, we beseech your blessings and your favor upon us. We take time to pray for those who suffer, those who are alone, those who are in pain, and those who are lost, and we ask that you hear our praises and prayers at this time....

Praises

- *For the Salvation Army's Chicken Bar-B-Que Fundraiser
- *For safe travels for Gene and Joyce Varns
- *For Karen Cantrell's mother, who continues to improve
- *For Becky Schlund's granddaughter's successful surgery
- *For this weekend's successful Vacation Bible School

Prayers

- *For Wayne Spangler as he looks to increase his strength
- *For Dave Acker, who recently had surgery

Change the World Day: On Saturday, June 22, we will celebrate "Change-the-World Day" with a special mission project. In addition to packing meals for people around the world, we will also be packing hygiene kits for those in need in our community through 180. We could use travel-size containers of conditioner and shampoo, tampons (no pads), deodorant, and shaving cream. We could also use new bath towels, hand towels, and wash cloths. Items can be placed in the container in the Narthex. Thank you for your support!



Opportunities for Worship and Ministry This Week...

Sunday 6/9	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Sunday Worship	10:30 a.m.
	Brunch with D.S.	11:30 a.m.
	Young Adult Class	11:30 a.m.
	Farmer to Farmer	3:00 p.m.
Monday 6/10	Member Care cte.	11:00 a.m.
Tuesday 6/11	Golden Agers Luncheon	11:30 a.m.
	Days for Girls	2:00 p.m.
Wednesday 6/12	Clergy Session Annual Conference	
Thursday—Saturday	East Ohio Annual Conference	
Saturday—6/15	ACORN deadline	5:00 p.m.

Looking Ahead

Sunday 6/16	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Sunday Worship	10:30 a.m.
Monday 6/17	Trustees	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday 6/18	All-Sons' Banquet	6:00 p.m.
Saturday 6/22	Change the World Day	8:30 a.m.

East Ohio Annual Conference: Clergy and Lay members will meet at the John S. Knight Center in Akron for this annual meeting beginning Thursday June 12.

Love is Kind Reminder: Please add a post-it note to our poster to share your experience about the *Love is Kind* initiative with the congregation. Additional envelopes and inserts are available in the Narthex.

Words of Wisdom from Mahatma Gandhi...

An eye for an eye will only make the whole world blind

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Today's Message...

"Commissioning a Shepherd"