

October 6, 2024

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John

Opening Prayer Pastor John

Responsive Proclamation (Psalm 100:1-3) Pastor John

Pastor: Shout triumphantly to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Serve the Lord with celebration!

Pastor: Come before him with shouts of joy!

People: Know that the Lord is God!

*Apostles' Creed Cindy Mykrantz

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.

*Passing of the Peace Cindy Mykrantz

*Hymn "I Sing the Almighty Power of God" No. 152

*Prayer of Assurance Cindy Mykrantz

As the forces of evil continue to surround us, seeking to divide and conquer, and to inflict pain and suffering, let us fall back on our faith and call on our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, to stand before us, serving to shield us from danger and provide a light to guide us out of the wilderness and into the safety and security of the refuge he provides. In His Majestic Name, we pray. Amen!

Call to Confession Pastor John

Prayer of Confession Pastor John

God of Grace and God of Mercy, our inability to honor and serve you in the way we would like continues to hinder us, but we know that if we confess our sins and turn away from life's temptations, you will lead us out of the darkness and into the light. We ask again today, that the blood of your Son wash away the stain of our sinfulness, so that we can begin anew a life with you. In Your Compassionate name we pray. Amen!

Prayer of Preparation Pastor John

Scripture 1 John 6:47-51 Cindy Mykrantz

Scripture 2 1 Corinthians 1:10 Cindy Mykrantz

Scripture 3 Philippians 2:1-11 Pastor John

Response

One: Let us rejoice in God's Holy Word

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

*Gloria Patri

*Hymn "Fairest Lord Jesus" No. 189

Message "Everlasting Love" Pastor John

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Our Morning Prayer Pastor John

Presentation of Our Gifts

*The Doxology

*Prayer Over Our Offerings Pastor John

*Hymn "Now Let Us from This Table Rise" No. 634

Benediction Pastor John

Postlude Jen Moser

**=An Invitation to Stand in Body or Spirit*

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Pictorial Directory

Oak Chapel will be putting together a new pictorial directory. Portraits will be taken October 28-29 at the church. We would love to have everyone participate. Each family will receive a complementary 8x10 portrait with the option of ordering more, just in time for Christmas. Please contact Rosie or Bob Troutman to set up an appointment.

Good News Club

Oak Chapel's Good News Club for Kids is gaining momentum each week, and our sessions continue this afternoon from 4-5 p.m. at the church. There will be a variety of activities and games for those ages 5-12 as well as a Faith-based discussion and a snack each week. Please encourage your friends, neighbors, nieces, nephews, and grandchildren to join us for this exciting new initiative! All are welcome!

Outreach Opportunity

On Thursday, October 17, Oak Chapel will be providing complimentary coffee for the teachers and staff at Triway High School. It is a goodwill gesture through O-Huddle to demonstrate our support for the vital work they do in teaching and mentoring young people. It is also an opportunity to introduce our church to them in a very welcoming way. If you are an early riser and would like to mingle with them, please contact Pastor John. We will be at the school from approximately 7-9 a.m. that day.

Annual Craft Fair ~ October 19 ~ 10 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

We hope you will come and shop and eat lunch. We will feature glass candy, and our Kitchen Corner that offers eat-in as well as carry-out foods. We will have a bake sale with items ready to give as gifts as well as enjoy at home. Our Nice as New Boutique is back with plants and produce.



Praises and Prayers

As we celebrate our unity in Christ on this Sacred World Communion Sunday, we recommit ourselves to the greatest commandments: to love the Lord our God with all our heart, and all our soul, and all our mind, and to love our neighbor as our self. In this spirit of love, we also ask God to hear our voices as we lift up the following praises and prayers before Him....

Praises

- *For the many gifts that God has bestowed upon our church
- *For God’s presence in our church and our world
- *For the compassion of our caregivers
- *For our new Shelter from the Storm initiative
- *For our new Good News Club
- *For Operation Christmas Child
- *For the life and legacy of Jeffrey Merickel

Prayers

- *For peace in our Nation and in our World
- *For those suffering from the tropical storms in the South
- *For Lori Hauser, who is in Wooster Hospital
- *For Paul Kauffman, who is battling cancer
- *For the family of Leslie Easler, who passed last week
- *For Brad Kitchen, who is dealing with health concerns
- *For Joyce Varns, who is recovering from foot surgery
- *For Brandi, who is having knee surgery
- *For Cathy McConnell, who is undergoing chemotherapy
- *For Judy Crites, who is recovering from knee surgery
- *For Paul Ennis following the death of his wife, Gloria
- *For Frank and Beth Latella after the death of their daughter
- *For Tripp, a 3 year old boy in a coma

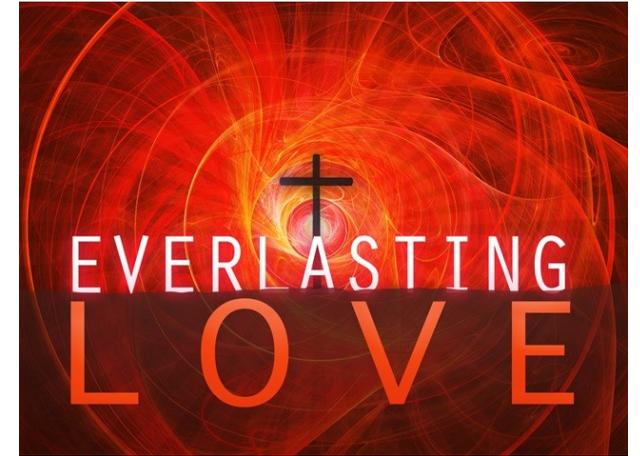
World Communion Sunday Offerings: Supporting Education and Hope, make a global impact, supporting students through scholarships and grants that further inclusion, diversity, equity, and access. Through these offerings, we equip students to lead and shape a hopeful future.

Opportunities for Worship and Ministry This Week...

Sunday 10/6	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	World Communion Sunday	10:30 a.m.
	Good News Club	4:00 p.m.
Monday 10/7	Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
	Art & Soul	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday 10/8	Evangelism Team	1:30 p.m.
	Days for Girls	2:00 p.m.
	Girl Scouts	6:00 p.m.
	UWF Unit meeting	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday 10/9	Acorn Society	11:30 a.m.
Saturday 10/12	Lay Servant Training	7:30 a.m.
Looking Ahead		
Sunday 10/13	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Worship	10:30 a.m.
	Good News Club	4:00 p.m.
Monday 10/14	Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
	Candy Making	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday 10/15	ACORN deadline	
	Girl Scouts	6:00 p.m.
	Outreach Team	6:30 p.m.
Thursday 10/17	Coffee at Triway HS	7:00 a.m.
Saturday 10/19	Men’s Breakfast	7:30 a.m.
	CRAFT FAIR	10:00 a.m.
	Bishop Jung Installation	11:00 a.m.
	at Wooster UMC	

Shelter from the Storm ~ Our new outreach initiative, “Shelter from the Storm,” is officially underway. We have a generous supply of blankets and pillows for those in need in our community to keep them warm this fall and winter. We will be distributing blankets to several agencies tomorrow (Monday, October 7) at 3:00 p.m. If you are available and would like to help, please contact Pastor John. Also, if you know of any individuals that could use new linens or blankets, but cannot afford them, please let us know, and we will make arrangements to provide them.

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

Today’s Message...

“Everlasting Love”