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Tuesday-Thursday 9:00AM-3:00PM

*Items need to be submitted for the bulletin by Wednesday morning.

★If you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital, we would like to know...call us at 453-7988.





Welcome

If you are new, don't panic. Sit back, relax and enjoy a cup of coffee. We're excited you're here! Worship is our gift to God. It's okay to sing loud, whisper, laugh, cry, dance, clap or bow and kneel. You are welcomed and loved. Whatever you're circumstances— single, single again, married, with or without children— and no matter where you've been or what you've done, you matter to God and to us.

"Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

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February 19, 2017

- Announcements and Welcome.
- **Call to Worship:** (Congregation reads bold print)

We have gathered in the presence of God our Creator, who sets before us the ways of life and death.

We have gathered in the presence of Jesus the Christ,

who calls us to accept the cost of discipleship that we may know its joy.

We have gathered in the presence of the Spirit, who sustains us in trial and rejoicing.

In our living and in our dying, we belong to God. In the shadow of God's wings, we sing for joy. Let us worship God.

(-Book of Worship, United Church of Christ (New York, 1986), 490.)

Hymn: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" UMH 139

◆ Opening Prayer

Gathering God, you have promised that if we draw near to you, you will draw near to us. In this time, prepare our hearts and minds that we might receive your wisdom and understanding. Relieve our bodies and souls from all the desires and cravings shaped by this world, that we might be filled with your peace. Pour out your Spirit upon us, that our worship might be joyful and authentic, bearing good fruit in our lives with our neighbors. In the name of Jesus Christ, risen Savior, we pray. Amen.

☐ Call to Prayer "Cares Chorus"

!Prayer Requests



Doug Adams, Kay Baker, Sherry Brooks, Jeannine Cady, John & Kim Cain, Suzanne & Ralph Collins, Karen Curtin, Shannon Davis. Terry England family, Marlene Farley, Kathy Fleming & family, Daniel Ghrist. Gayle Ghrist, Alice Goyne, John Herman, Henrietta Hurst, Jeannita Johnson, Bob & Melanie Kirkwood. Gary Lake, Ed McAuley, Don Miller, Jimmy Moore, Joesy Moore, Debbie Paul, Jim Peadon, Phil & Grandma Plummer. Bonnie Reienbach. Lori Rivercomb, Todd Sands.

Carole Sayre, Shellie Siefert, Dianna Slifko, Joyce Stimpert, Pam Thomas. Barb Tignor, Erin Watts, Vicky Wolfe, Logan Wolford, Melissa Wood, Eloise Zayac, Faith UMC, the homeless, abused, sick, imprisoned, those who have not yet accepted Christ and those who only minimally follow the teachings of Christ.

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¹Events Calendar



Sunday, February 19

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Tuesday, February 21

March Newsletter Deadline: 12:00 PM
Finance Meeting: 5:00 PM
Leadership Meeting: 6:30 PM

Sunday, February 26

Sunday School: 9:30 AM Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Wednesday, March 1

Ash Wednesday Service @ Grace UMC: 7:00 PM

Thursday, March 2

Eventide:

Friday, March 3

NA Ladies Night: 5:00 PM

Sunday, March 5

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Morning Worship: 10:30 AM
Central Trinity Lenten Service: 6:00 PM

Sunday, March 12

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Morning Worship: 10:30 AM
Boiler Fund Luncheon: After Worship
Faith Lenten Service: 6:00 PM

- ₱ Pastoral Prayer—The Lord's Prayer
- **⊠** Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
- ☐ "The Doxology"

UMH 95

As we dedicate our gifts to you, O God, we come to an awareness of the tasks set before us to bring peace to our relationships and peace to our world. Give us strength to be the one to offer the words of reconciliation. Let our hearts be so full of love that we can forgive — and reach out to others who have lost their way. Open our eyes that we may fully see the abundance that is ours as well as the poverty of the world around us. Embolden us to give freely so that others might know what freedom looks like. With gratitude for all that we have and all that we are, we offer our gifts and ourselves to you. Amen.

☐ Hymn: Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service" UMH581

Revenge Fantasies Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:38-48 Pastor Joy French

☐ Hymn "Let There Be Peace on Earth" UMH 431

Benediction (Congregation reads bold print)

God has placed before you life & death, blessings & curses.

Therefore choose life, follow God's way.

Go now, and be a people of reconciliation and integrity.

And in all the paths we walk

may God hold us steady and close.

May Christ Jesus bless us and every place we enter.

And may the Spirit give us length of days and fullness of life.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Amen.

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February 19

Ushers and Greeters:

Nick & Cindy Howard, Floyd & Pat Tolle

<u>Liturgist:</u>

Barb Wolfe

February 26

Users and Greeters:

Nonny Brackman, Beth Dougherty, Marsha Kelly, Janice Moore

Liturgist:

Mark Crawmer

May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other 1 Thessalonians 3:12

Children's Books

Recently at the meeting of the Eventide Circle it was brought to our attention how many children's lives are hampered by their inability to read fluently by the third grade. Some children's ability to read is hindered by lack of access—not having books in their homes.

We hope that you will join us in collecting new or gently used books to be distributed in our community.

Books may be brought to the church and be dropped off in the mission table area throughout the month of January.

Book Club

The 2017 Book Club will meet every other month beginning in March.

The first meeting will be Monday, March 13 at 6:00 PM.

The book to read is: "The Weight of Mercy" by Deb Richardson-Moore

The category is Leadership Development.

If you have any questions see Vickie Finlay.

We hope to see you all there!

Card Shower

The family of Juanita Mohler would be very pleased if you could help them celebrate her 90th birthday on March 7th. Cards and notes can be sent to her at 2661 Cinema Ave. Zanesville, Ohio 43701.

Thanks!

Boiler Fund Luncheon March 12

With a nod to St. Patrick's Day, New Hope Circle will be serving:

Corned Beef Sandwiches with various accompaniments Tater Tots

Cole Slaw

Dessert and Beverages

We hope to see you after church for lunch, social time, and support for the boiler fund!