



Welcome to Mt. Healthy United Methodist Church!

We hope you find a spiritual home with us or another church community.

Children are welcome here! We know it can be stressful to come to church with your family. If your child makes a little noise or is a little squirmy, we consider it a blessing. Activity bags are at the front of the sanctuary. Childcare and Sunday School are available during Sunday worship.

The nursery is located in the lower level of the education wing.

Children are also welcome to join us upstairs in the sanctuary for worship. We welcome all people no matter where they are on the journey of faith, to find a spiritual home at Mt. Healthy United Methodist Church.

We believe that God is love and this love is expressed fully in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. We live this out in loving community with one another and humble service to our neighborhood.

Come grow with us! We look forward to seeing you again! Until then, check out our Facebook page, website and this worship guide.

You may find an opportunity that is just right for you!

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*Adult Sunday School: 9 AM • Children's Sunday School: 10:10 AM
Sunday Worship: 10 AM*

Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 21st, 2024

Introit "Sanctuary" by John W. Thompson and Randy Scruggs **The Faith We Sing, #2164**

Welcome and Announcements **Rev. Jerome Weaver**

Flowers on the Altar: In loving memory of Jeanne Stophlet, and Native American Mission Sunday;
by Sandy Young.

Flowers on the Altar: In loving memory of my mother Betty, my father Jack, and my brother Scott;
by Jack Atkinson.

See pages 5 for more details, events, and ministry opportunities.

Prelude "O Jesus, King Most Wonderful" By: Dale Wood

Joe Dilley, organ

*** Call to Worship**

Greg Spitler, Liturgist

(The liturgist (L) makes statements of faith. The congregation (C) reads the words in bold.)

L: How shall we live when we have more than enough?

C: We have no greater praise to offer than caring for your creatures and Creation.

L: The earth is our teacher – nurturing and tender.

C: In this hour, O God, nourish us in the soil of your love.

L: Let us worship God, the Ground of all Being.

*** Opening Hymn**

Joe Dilley, organ

"I Am Thine O Lord"

The United Methodist Hymnal #419

*** Opening Prayer**

Rev. Jerome Weaver

(The pastor (L) leads the prayer. The congregation (C) reads the words in bold.)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Living Word,

whose love abides in us, You call us to love in truth and action. Give courage to our hearts

so we may love your beloveds. Open our ears to the wisdom of those you send,

who might otherwise be dismissed. Transform our charity into justice over all the earth.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray;

C: Amen.

*** Sharing the Peace of Christ**

Rev. Jerome Weaver

P: May the peace of Christ be with you!

C: And also with you! *(During this time, we ask that you greet one another with a peace sign,*

an elbow bump, a bow or a simple nod of the head)

*** Children's Moments**

Rev. Jerome Weaver

(We invite children, 12 years of age and under, to come forward. After Children's Moments,

we invite children to go with loving caregivers to Sunday school.)

"Jesus Loves Me" (Verse 1)

The United Methodist Hymnal, #191

** Indicates please stand, if able.*

The Old Testament Reading

Psalm 23 (niv)

Greg Spitler, Liturgist

A psalm of David.

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,
- 3 he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.
- 4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil,
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- 6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

C: Thanks be to God!

Responsive Special Music

Chancel Choir Ensemble; Joe Dilley, director

"Consecration"

By: John Ness Beck

The Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

Greg Spitler, Liturgist

The Offertory *"Moment by Moment"* *By: Mae Whittle Moody*

Joe Dilley, organ

*** Doxology**

Joe Dilley, organ

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

The United Methodist Hymnal, #94

Prayer of Dedication

Congregation, led by Liturgist

Gracious Provider,

We gather with hearts filled with gratitude for the love and light you've shown us. Your Word reminds us that true love is seen in the self-sacrifice of Christ. As we offer our tithes and offerings, we are reminded of the importance of generosity and stewardship in every aspect of our lives. May these gifts be a reflection of the love we have experienced in Christ and our commitment to steward them faithfully for the work of your kingdom. Use these offerings to bring justice, mercy, and hope to a world in need. In your holy name, we pray. Amen. (1 John 3:16-24)

Invitation to Prayer

Joe Dilley, organ

"He Who Began a Good Work in You"

The Faith We Sing, #2163

Morning Prayer

Rev. Jerome Weaver

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*** Indicates please stand, if able.**

*** The Gospel Reading** *John 10:11-18 (niv)* **Rev. Jerome Weaver**

11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

12 The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep,
 sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—
 and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.

13 The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,
15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father.

 And I lay down my life for the sheep.

16 I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also,
 and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to
 take it up again.

18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord.

 I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again.

 I have received this command from my Father."

 L: The word of God, for the people of God!

C: Thanks be to God!

Sermon *"The Lord is My Shepherd"*

Rev. Jerome Weaver

*** Closing Hymn**

Joe Dilley, organ

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

The United Methodist Hymnal #577

*** Benediction**

Rev. Jerome Weaver

*** Postlude** *"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"*

By: Lani Smith

Joe Dilley, organ

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NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Messy Church: is Saturday, April 27th, 5-7. All families are welcome!

All Families are invited for free food, stories, crafts, family faith, and **FUN!**

Pancake Breakfast: is Saturday, May 4th, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Come Hungry!

You're Invited! HERO Hotline VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

@ Mt. Healthy United Methodist Church, JUNE 3-7 6 – 8:30 pm.

Register on-line at <https://forms.gle/uQiSztW9WBL2QmjB6>

To activate the Prayer Chain, please call Lenora De Marco at 513-884-5111.

March 2024 Profit and Loss summary:

Total Income: \$14,259.85

Total Expenses: \$12,833.33

Net Income: \$ 1,426.38

Thank you: for your generous donation of 5.2 pallets of used clothing to Matthew 25: Ministries.



Free Pancake Breakfast

Mt. Healthy United Methodist Church

7612 Perry St.

Mt. Healthy, OH 45231

10:00 AM -12:00 PM

All you can eat pancakes, juice, fruit, sausage and children's crafts

Carry-out or Dine in. Everyone Welcome!

Saturday, May 4th, 2024



Come learn about God's love
through crafts, activities,
a story and shared meal!

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