



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*

Fifth Sunday of Easter, April 28, 2024

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

Welcome and Announcements **Rev. Jerome Weaver**

To purchase flowers on the Altar: Order forms are on the tables in the back of the Sanctuary. Dates available: May 19 & 26, June 23 & 30, July 14, August 11 & 25.

See pages 5-8 for more events, details, and ministry opportunities.

Prelude *Jim Connerly, Piano - Bill Jackson, Bass - John Zappa, Drums* **The Jazz Trio**

*** Call to Worship** **Steve Harness, Liturgist**

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

L: Easter people, we have been saved by the Risen Christ, the life-giving Vine.

C: We abide in Love, the life-giving Vine.

L: We are branches of the Vine—sustained, nurtured, and pruned by Love.

C: We have no life apart from Love, the life-giving Vine.

L: When we make our home in the Vine, and the Vine makes a home in us,
we bear the fruit of Love.

C: We produce the fruit of Love, the life-giving Vine.

L: Easter people, how shall we bear the fruit of Love, the life-giving Vine?

**C: We will love and learn to love as we rest, play, work,
and build community with God and one another. Amen.**

*** Opening Hymn** **The Jazz Trio**

“To God Be The Glory”

The United Methodist Hymnal #98

*** 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: Merciful One,

you know when we are afraid to love; you know when we are too cowardly to show mercy.

Remind us again that perfect love casts out such fears. Surround us and strengthen us with your perfect love, even in the face of our imperfections. Imbue us with a love so strong, with such growth toward perfection, that we may cast aside our pride and embrace the power of love.

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 *Psalms 22:25-31 (niv)* **Steve Harness, Liturgist**

25 From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly;
before those who fear you I will fulfill my vows.
26 The poor will eat and be satisfied; those who seek the LORD will praise him—
may your hearts live forever!
27 All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations will bow down before him,
28 for dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations.
29 All the rich of the earth will feast and worship; all who go down to the dust will
kneel before him— those who cannot keep themselves alive.
30 Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord.
31 They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn: He has done it!
L: The word of God for the people of God!

C: Thanks be to God!

Responsive Special Music

The Jazz Trio

The Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

Steve Harness, Liturgist

The Offertory

The Jazz Trio

* Doxology

The Jazz Trio

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

The United Methodist Hymnal, #95

Prayer of Dedication

Congregation, led by Liturgist

Gracious God, as we offer our gifts today, we reflect on the wisdom in the words from John's gospel. In this imagery, we recognize our role as branches, connected to you, the source of our strength and vitality. Help us stay rooted in your love, producing fruit that brings glory to your name. May these gifts signify our commitment to abide in your teachings and work joyfully in response to your love. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen. [John 15:1-8](#)

Invitation to Prayer

The Jazz Trio

"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

Lord's Prayer

* *Indicates please stand, if able.*

Spring 2024 Call to Service:
Make and Share Personal Dignity Kits,
A mission project for Mt. Healthy UMC
in connection with Midwest Mission

Understanding that some people *really don't have* the basic necessities, we'll be collecting items for Personal Dignity Kits on the following Sundays:

April 28, May 5, May 12, May 19, and May 26.

A container for donations will be on table in back of sanctuary.
Adult Sunday School members will assemble the kits.

We need one of each of these items for each kit:

1 Hand Towel	1 Wash Cloth
1 Adult Toothbrush	1 Bar Soap, 3-4 oz
1 Shampoo, 12-19 oz	1 Deodorant, 2-3 oz
1 Lotion, 8-10 oz	1 Toothpaste

Cash donations and a few boxes of 1 gallon resealable plastic bags will also be accepted.

We need bags to contain the kits and we must provide \$8.00 per kit to cover delivery costs.

Cash donations should go into offering envelopes and into offering plates during services.

Last May our church donated 33 personal hygiene kits that were delivered to Midwest Mission at the West Ohio Annual Conference.

Whatever we gather this year will be delivered during Annual Conference on 5.30.24

The Midwest Mission Family thanks us,
"for all the blessings you give to people you may never meet."

Post-Secondary Scholarships Available to Members

Going off to college or other post-secondary school is expensive!

Perhaps we can help!

Scholarships for post-secondary tuition expenses are available to students who have been a member of Mt. Healthy United Methodist Church for at least one year, and have evidence of active participation, leadership and service at Mt. Healthy (or the church where the student attends school) at least one year prior to application.

Additional qualifications include:

- Studying for the ministry, other church-related vocation, or similar service-type vocation which includes (but is not limited to) education-related careers (teacher, librarian), and medicine and healthcare (doctor, nurse, pharmacist, lab technician, physical therapist, dietician, counselor, social work).
- Acceptance in an accredited school of higher education

Maintain high grade standards – a C+ average or equivalent point value

In addition, the Scholarship Committee will consider the financial need of the applicant, scholastic and attendance records, character and development, and attitude of the applicant concerning his/her desire to continue the education process, and his/her reason for choice of career.

All scholarships awarded are to pay **tuition only**, and are paid directly to the school. Scholarships will be awarded as adequate funds are available, and amounts of scholarship awards may be limited by number of applicants.

You can obtain an application by contacting any one of the Scholarship Committee.

Jay Klenk: jdklenk@fuse.net

Janine Smith: jds718@gmail.com

Sandy Young: skyoung513@yahoo.com

The application must be received by the Scholarship Committee by **June 9th**

Thank you!

Your Scholarship Committee

PS If you have received a church scholarship in the past and could use some assistance as you continue your education, **you must re-apply for a scholarship again this year and for each following year.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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> or QR Code



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

Messy Church: is Saturday, May 25th, 5-7. All families are welcome!

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

To activate the Prayer Chain, please call **Lenora DeMarco** at **513-884-5111**.

Thank you: for your generous donation 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!

Saturday 😊 May 25, 2024 😊 5-7 PM
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Everyone of all
ages is welcome!