



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*

Third Sunday of Easter, May 4th, 2025

Introit (All Sing)

"How Great Is Our God" by Chris Tomlin

The Praise Team

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jerome Weaver

Flowers on the Altar: To purchase flowers on the Altar: Order forms are on the tables in the back of the Sanctuary. **Dates available: May 18, June 8, August 19 & 17.**

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

Prelude *"The Communion Table"*

By: Gerald Peterson

Joe Dilley, organ

*** Call to Worship**

Rosemary Andrew, Liturgist

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

L: God, you call us from the corners of the Earth.

C: From the cities and the prairies, from the ghettos and the tables of the wealthy.

L: God, you sing to us from the corners of the universe.

**C: In the gentle ocean breeze, in the colors that burst forth from our landscapes,
in the faces of children ravaged by war.**

L: God, you speak to us from the corners of the Earth.

**C: To the east, to the west, to the north and to the south, above us, below us, and within us,
your voice rings clear. Send your voice to sing in us, we pray, as we worship this day.**

*** Opening Hymn**

Joe Dilley, organ

"O for A Thousand Tongues to Sing"

The United Methodist Hymnal #57

*** 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: God of love, we bring our very selves to worship. Our triumphs. Our failures. Our vulnerabilities. Our greatest joys and our deepest sorrows. In this time set apart, may we hear the voice of Jesus urging us to feed and be fed, to love and be loved. Amen.

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 30 (niv)

Rosemary Andrew, Liturgist

You restored me to health

- 1 I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up and did not let my foes rejoice over me.
2 O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.
3 O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.
4 Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.
5 For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
6 As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."
7 By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed.
8 To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication:
9 "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?
10 Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be my helper!"
11 You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
12 so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you 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

"Meet with Me" By: Lamont Hiebert

The Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

Rosemary Andrew, Liturgist

The Offertory *"I Love to Tell the Story"* By: Sarah Douglas

Joe Dilley, organ

*** Doxology**

Joe Dilley, organ

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

The United Methodist Hymnal, #95

Prayer of Dedication

Congregation, led by Liturgist

Cast your nets in familiar waters, empty, time and again, yet you look on the other side, where there are whispers of abundance, where the deep holds more than you dared hope. In the soil beneath your feet, ancient voices speak, telling you to listen, to honor, to remember the land as more than dirt, as more than resource, as kin, as life, as memory. You have taken too much, drunk from rivers that now run dry, hunted the Earth until she wept, yet still, she offers her hand, still, she whispers— there is another way.

To survive is to remember, to reclaim the wisdom buried deep, in the roots of the trees, in the songs of the wind, in the stories of those who came before, who knew the Earth as mother, who walked gently, who loved fiercely. (continued on next page)

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Prayer of Dedication (cont.)

Congregation, led by Liturgist

You are called to feed the sheep, not only with bread, not only with grain, but with justice, with love, with a vision of a world where all are fed, where all are seen, where all are honored. In the silence of the dawn, when the world is still and the sky blushes with light, you find the strength to begin again, to cast your nets, to sow new seeds, to believe in the abundance that is promised, if only you dare to trust, if only you dare to see.

For survival is not just to endure, but to thrive, to flourish, to sing with the Earth, to dance with the rain, to know that you are part of this sacred web, connected, interwoven, bound together in this place.

And so, you begin again, with the sun, with the moon, with the stars, with the earth beneath our feet, you begin again, to survive, to thrive.

God, we offer these gifts, given for the healing of creation, to you. Bless them and us to support the survival and thriving of all creation. Amen.

Invitation to Prayer

"He Who Began a Good Work in You"

Joe Dilley, organ

The Faith We Sing, #2163

Morning Prayer

Rev. Jerome Weaver

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

*** The New Testament Reading**

Acts 9:1-20 (niv)

Rev. Jerome Weaver

Paul's conversion, baptism, and preaching

1 Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest 2 and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

3 Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. 4 He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" 5 He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. 6 But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

7 The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. 8 Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. 9 For three days he was without sight and neither ate nor drank. 10 Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord."

11 The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, 12 and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." 13 But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem, 14 and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name."

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*** The New Testament Reading** *Acts 9:1-20 (niv) (cont)* **Rev. Jerome Weaver**
 15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; 16 I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." 17 So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit."
 18 And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, 19 and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, 20 and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."
 L: The word of God, for the people of God!

C: Thanks be to God!

Sermon *"I Can See Clearly Now"* **Rev. Jerome Weaver**

Holy Communion *(You do not have to be a member of Mt. Healthy United Methodist Church to partake in Holy Communion. Those who are hungry for love and desire forgiveness are invited to come to the Lord's table. The altar is always open for prayer.)*

Service for Word and Table *(Communion litany is on page #8 of the hymnal)*

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Interlude

Joe Dilley, organ

Prayer After Communion

Congregation

God of us all, we thank you that you have called us all to your Table. Fill our hearts with the same loving spirit that drove you to open the way for us to have right relationships with you and with each other. Thank you for these symbols of bread and cup that remind us of how much you gave in love for us all. In Jesus name, AMEN.

*** Closing Hymn**

Joe Dilley, organ

"More Love to Thee"

The United Methodist Hymnal #453

*** Benediction**

Rev. Jerome Weaver

*** Postlude**

"Postlude in G Minor" by: Edward Broughton

Joe Dilley, organ

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NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To purchase flowers on the Altar: Order forms are on the tables in the back of the Sanctuary. Dates available: May 18, June 8, August 10 & 17.

Zoom Bible Study: with Pastor Weaver is **Thursdays, from 7:00 :8:15 PM.**

Meeting ID - 829 3727 2744 Pass Code - 600228

2025 Church Directory Data Sheet: We are collecting data for the new church directory.

Please **Email the data to the Church @ mthealthymc@fuse.net**

or fill the form in the bulletin and place it in the collection plate.

U.W.F.: Meeting has been rescheduled for **Friday May 16 at 9:00 am.**

Faith Circle Soup Sale: Sunday, **May 18** in Fellowship Hall **after worship.**

You're Invited! "Camp Firelight" VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL >>>

@ Trinity Lutheran Church, 1553 Kinney Ave. JUNE 9-13, 6-8:30 pm. >>>

Register on-line at <https://forms.gle/rncpcFA4a7RikDXy5> or QR Code >>>

VBS Meeting: will be May 20th @ 7:00pm at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Messy Church: is Saturday, May 24th, 5-7. All families are welcome!

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

Pancake Breakfast: will **resume again** Sept. 6th, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. **Come Hungry!**

Graduate Recognition Sunday is June 22. Please sign up your graduates using forms on the tables in the back of the sanctuary.

Midwest Mission: is asking for donations for their Disaster Relief Ministry.

New Items

*Onesies and Sleepers (0-6mos)

*Receiving Blankets (28" X 28" or 32" X 32")

*Flannel Fabric (at least 1 yard in size)

*Contractor trash bags (2 mil+)

*Underwear (Girls sizes 10-14, Women's sizes 5-8)

*Shampoo (12-19 oz, no pumps)

*Lotion (8-10 oz, no pumps) Collection box in back of Sanctuary until May 25th. **Thank you!**

New or Gently Used

*Walkers, canes, crutches

*Shovels, rakes, brooms, hand tools



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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.



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

Saturday ☺ May 24, 2025 ☺ 5-7 PM
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Everyone of all
ages is welcome!