



***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*

**Baptism of the Lord, January 11, 2026**

**Introit (All Sing)** "Baptized in Water" by Michael Seward **The Praise Team**

**Welcome and Announcements** **Rev. Jerome Weaver**

*Flowers on the Altar: Order forms for 2026 are on the back table; or see Sylvia Lawson.*

*See pages 5-6 for more events, details, and ministry opportunities.*

**Prelude** Jim Connerly, Piano - Bill Jackson, Bass - John Zappa, Drums **The Jazz Trio**  
"In the Sweet By and By", - J.P. Webster

**\* Call to Worship** **Jeff Vehr, Liturgist**

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

L: Come! Let us follow Jesus to the edge of the Jordan River to be baptized.

**C: We come to be cleansed and made whole.**

L: Come! Let us witness John's confusion and Jesus' insistence that John baptize God Incarnate.

**C: We come to join Jesus in choosing life in the kingdom of God.**

L: Come! Let us hear God declare the truth of Jesus' identity and the truth of our identity as baptized people.

**C: We come to remember and embody who we are as beloved children of God.**

L: Come! Let us worship God who leads us into the baptismal waters and salvation life.

**C: We come to worship God who empowers us through divine presence to live together as the family of God.**

**\* Opening Hymn** **The Jazz Trio**  
"On Jordan's Banks the Baptists Cry" **The United Methodist Hymnal #724**

**\* 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: Eternal Father, at the baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful to their calling as your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**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***Isaiah 42:1-9 (niv)***Jeff Vehr, Liturgist***The Servant of the Lord*

1 "Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations. 2 He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. 3 A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; 4 he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his teaching the islands will put their hope." 5 This is what God the Lord says—the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it: 6 "I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, 7 to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness. 8 "I am the Lord; that is my name! I will not yield my glory to another or my praise to idols. 9 See, the former things have taken place, and new things I declare; before they spring into being

I announce them to you

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

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Responsive Special Music "Hush, Hush, Somebody's Calling My Name" -Clyde Otis The Jazz Trio****The Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings****Jeff Vehr, Liturgist**

The Offertory

"Down to the River to Pray" -Traditional

*The Jazz Trio*

\* Doxology

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

*The United Methodist Hymnal, #95*

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Congregation, led by Liturgist**

*Ever-Present and Calling God, knowing us from the beginning, naming us as your own, you have entrusted us with the holy work of bearing your light to the world. Though we often feel unworthy or uncertain, you remind us that your grace goes before us, and your strength works through us. Receive these gifts, offered with gratitude and hope. Use them—and us—to proclaim your justice, to shine your love to the ends of the earth, and to glorify your name. In the name of Christ, your Servant and our Savior, we pray. Amen. (Isaiah 49:1-7)*

\* Invitation to Prayer

*"Thy Word Is a Lamp" (Ref.X2)*

*The United Methodist Hymnal, #601*

**The Jazz Trio**

**Morning Prayer**

**Rev. Jerome Weaver**

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

\* **The New Testament Reading**

*Acts 10:34-43 (niv)*

**Rev. Jerome Weaver**

34 Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism 35 but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. 36 You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. (cont)

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\* **The New Testament Reading**      *Acts 10:34-43 (niv) (cont)*      **Rev. Jerome Weaver**

37 You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him. 39 “We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, 40 but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. 41 He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. 43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

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

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**      *“Empowered to Make a Difference”*      **Rev. Jerome Weaver**

\* **Closing Hymn**      *“Here I Am, Lord” (vs. 1 & 2)*      **The Jazz Trio**

\* **Benediction**      *The United Methodist Hymnal #593*      **Rev. Jerome Weaver**

\* **Postlude**      *“I'll Say Yes, Lord Yes” -Lynn Keesecker*      **The Jazz Trio**

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**NOTES**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Flowers for the Altar:** Order forms for 2026 are on the back table; or see Sylvia Lawson.

**Snow Related Closures:** will be announced on **channel 12, WKRC-TV.**

**Office will be closed if Mt. Healthy Schools are closed.**

**Zoom Bible Study:** w/ **Pastor Weaver** is Thursday's from 7:00 - 8:15 pm

**Meeting ID: 829 3727 2744      Pass Code: 600228**

**Giving Tree:** Please remember our Mt. Healthy community by providing new winter hats, mittens, gloves, scarves and socks. Our outside "Giving Tree" will accept donations through the winter months; or You may place items in the **basket on the table at the back of the sanctuary.**

**Thank you for caring!**

**Messy Church:** is Saturday, **January 24th, 5-7 pm.** All Families are invited for free food, stories, crafts, family faith, and fun!

**Pancake Breakfast:** is Saturday, **February 7th, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Come Hungry!**

**Prayer Chain:** If you have the time to make a few phone calls, and to pray for your friends who have asked for prayers, this is the ministry for you! Please and leave a message at the church office (513-931-5827) if you are interested.

**To activate the Prayer Chain, please TEXT or CALL Marilyn Talmage at 615-788-4280.**

**Children's Sunday School:** is in need of a **teacher for the K-2 class on the first Sunday of each month.** If you can help, but would prefer a different Sunday, that can probably be arranged. Please see or **contact Jeanine Smith at 513-764-5040 or [jds718@gmail.com](mailto:jds718@gmail.com).**

**V.B.S. Please mark your calendar for June 8-12 for Vacation Bible School 2026.**

**Declare His Glory Among the Nations! (Psalm 96:3) Members and friends of Mt. Healthy United Methodist Church, you CAN declare God's glory among the nations! Share our worship services with family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors! Invite them to watch our live worship on YouTube. It's easy to watch and listen. Go to <https://www.youtube.com/@MtHealthyUMC> and click on LIVE. Choose the service you wish to view. You don't have to have an account with YouTube .to be blessed!**



### 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  
Dine in or Carry-out. Everyone Welcome!**

**Saturday, February 7th, 2026**



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

Saturday ☺ January 24, 2026 ☺ 5-7 PM  
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It's  
Free!

Everyone of all  
ages is welcome!