



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 in Lent, March 22, 2026

Introit (All Sing)

"Goodness of God" by CeCe Winans

**The Praise Team
Rev. Jerome Weaver**

Welcome and Announcements

Flowers for the Altar Open Dates: March 22, April 19 & 26, May 3.

See pages 4-6 for more events, details, and ministry opportunities.

Prelude

Jim Connerly, Piano—Bill Jackson, Bass—John Zappa, Drums

The Jazz Trio

"I'll Fly Away" by: A.E. Brumley

Call to Worship

Bea Greene, Liturgist

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

L: Some of us come to worship today, weary and worn,
heavy with all the circumstances that are too much to bear alone.

C: We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

L: Some of us come to worship today, dry and thirsty,
longing for relief and peace from the troubles that surround us.

C: We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

L: Some of us come to worship today with stories to tell of little resurrections,
moments of new life that sprang up when we least expected them.

C: We gather to travel God's redemption road together.

L: Beloved, whatever we bring with us to worship today, God welcomes us and calls us
to work together as we travel God's redemption road together.

C: We gather to be truth-tellers and life-bringers as we travel God's redemption road together. Amen.

*** Opening Hymn "I Stand Amazed in the Presence" United Methodist Hymnal #371 The Jazz Trio**

*** 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 mercy, we come to you dry and lifeless, seeking your breath of life. Lead us to the place where our hopes lie buried and call us out from the tombs of despair. Call forth our faith that, with Martha, we may know you to be the resurrection and the life, in this world and the world to come. 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*Ezekiel 37:1-15 (niv)***Bea Greene, Liturgist**

37 The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. 2 He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. 3 He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" I said, "Sovereign Lord, you alone know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! 5 This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. 6 I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.'" 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.'" 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army. 11 Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. 13 Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. 14 I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.'" 15 The word of the Lord came to me:

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

C: Thanks be to God!

Responsive Special Music *"We've Come This Far By Faith"* by: A.A. Goodson

The Jazz Trio

The Worship of God with Tithes and Offerings

Bea Greene, Liturgist

The Offertory

"Spirit of the Living God" by: Daniel Iverson

The Jazz Trio

*** Doxology**

The Jazz Trio

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

The United Methodist Hymnal, #94

Prayer of Dedication

Congregation, led by Liturgist

Life-Giving Spirit, you breathe hope into our valleys of despair and call forth life where we saw only dry bones. We come today not out of habit, but out of longing to be part of your work that restores, renews, and redeems. Take these gifts and use them to roll away the stones that keep your people bound. Let them be signs of trust, symbols of resurrection, and tools of transformation in a weary world. May our offering, like our living, lean into your Spirit and testify that life—abundant, eternal, and holy—is possible in you.

In Christ, who calls us out of the grave and into your grace, we pray. Amen.

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Invitation to Prayer	<i>"Into My Heart"</i>	<i>The Faith We Sing #2160</i>	The Jazz Trio
Morning Prayer			Rev. Jerome Weaver
Sharing Our Joys and Concerns			
Pastoral Prayer			
The Lord's Prayer			
* The New Testament Reading	<i>Romans 8:6-11 (niv)</i>		Rev. Jerome Weaver
6 The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. 7 The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. 8 Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. 9 You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. 10 But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. 11 And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.			
L: The word of God, for the people of God!			
C: Thanks be to God!			
Sermon	<i>"Spiritually Blessed"</i>		Rev. Jerome Weaver
* Closing Hymn	<i>"To God Be the Glory" UMH #98</i>		The Jazz Trio
* Benediction			Rev. Jerome Weaver
* Postlude	<i>"The Preacher" by: Horace Silver</i>		The Jazz Trio

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NOTES

Mt. Healthy Alliance Pantry: (7717 Harrison Ave, Cincinnati, OH 45231) needs Canned or DRY goods and personal hygiene products, (soap, shampoo, toilet paper, wash cloths shaving needs.) Thanks!



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

**Saturday ☺ April 25, 2026 ☺ 5-7 PM
Mt. Healthy U.M.C.
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Everyone of all ages is welcome!