

Serving Us Today

Disciples: All Members

Organist: Ginny Beamish

Minister: Don Crist

Altar Decoration: Becky Pierce

Liturgist: Mike Beamish

Head Usher: Mike Beamish

Choir Director: Becky Pierce

Counters: Mike Beamish &
John Gibbons



February 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 9:30a Adult Sunday School 10:30a Worship	5	6	7 10a History Team 10a Membership & Outreach 6p Choir	8	9	10
11 9:30a Adult Sunday School 10:30a Worship	12	13	14 10a History Team 4:30p M&W 6p Choir	15	16	17
18 9:30a Adult Sunday School 10:30a Worship	19	20	21 10a History Team 6p Choir	22 10a Council	23	24
25 9:30a Adult Sun School 10:30a Worship 5p-7p Family Night	26	27	28 10a History Team 6p Choir	29		

February 11, 2024

“Sanctuary”

Happy Birthday!

Logan Wilson 2/7



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INTROIT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Liturgist)

A friendly welcome to all! No matter who you are or where you are on your life's journey, you are welcome here.

BELLS TO WELCOME THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

PRELUDE "O God, Our Help In Ages Past" Roger C. Wilson

*OPENING WORDS But let all who take refuge in you be glad; let them ever sing for joy. Spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may rejoice in you. From Psalm 5

SONG OF THE MORNING #13 (Red Hymnal)

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: God summons us from the sun's rising to its setting. Listen, for the mighty One speaks to us.

People: Our God comes and does not keep silence. Through fire and tempest, God is with us.

Liturgist: Open your ears to the good news of the gospel. Open your eyes to the glory of God.

People: We have come to share the knowledge of Jesus Christ. We gather, seeking transformation and empowerment.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION: (In Unison)

Speak to us, Mighty One, for we are eager to listen. Bless us, as we cry out to you for strength and vision. You have acted in times past to save your people. Save us now. You have granted light in Jesus Christ. Shine on us now. Let us see your glory. Lift us to the mountaintop in the time of prayer. We find refuge in you. Do not leave us, we pray, through Christ. Amen.



- Glenn Lytle would appreciate some assistance with frozen, single serve size meals. His dislikes, due to covid, are items that are breaded, peppers, and raw onions. Food may be brought to the church and placed in the kitchen freezer or delivered to Glenn, but please call first. If you would like the food picked up please call the Fessler's (937-339-5545). Your help is greatly appreciated.
- Thank you to John Gibbons for preaching next week for Don while Mary Ann is recovering from surgery.



Please join us next week at 9:30a in the café for Adult Sunday School. The topic will be "The Reluctant Giver: God Loves a Cheerful Giver" with Mike Beamish leading.

Attendance and Giving

Total Attendance last week 2/4/24 = 37

General Fund Donations		
Week of 2/4/24	Month of February	Monthly Budget
\$3,934.99	\$3,934.99	\$9,507.00

The rose on the altar this morning is in celebration of the birth of Phoebe Ann King on Tuesday, February 6, 2024. She weighed in at 6 pounds and 8 ounces and measured 18.25 inches. She is welcomed by parents Carolann Stanley and Brian King, Grandparents Melissa and Gary Stanley, and Great-Grandparents Joyce and Roger Heffelfinger.

Our Children's Space is located through the door at the front of the sanctuary. We know there may be times that children's needs may differ. Families are welcome to come to the area at any time during the service. Simply follow the signs and you will find our children's rooms thoughtfully prepared for your family, including a live feed for you to follow along.

God is Still Speaking,

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Thy Word" Michael Smith / Amy Grant

A TIME FOR KIDS OF ALL AGES

MORNING PRAYER Don Crist

THE LORD'S PRAYER: (In Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WELCOME TO FACEBOOK LIVE VIEWERS

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 84

SILENT PREPARATION FOR LISTENING

We invite you to use these few moments of silence to welcome the Inner Teacher to speak to you as Don shares the morning message.

SERMON "Sanctuary" Don Crist

OFFERTORY INVITATION (Liturgist)

Through our offerings, we support our leaders, provide possibilities for mountaintop experiences, and enable to teaching ministry of our church. Our generosity can make a difference in the lives of people we will never know and in our own lives as well. Let us give from our hearts in deep thanksgiving.

OFFERTORY "In Quiet Reverence" Stewart Landon

***DOXOLOGY: (In Unison)**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, Ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***DEDICATION PRAYER: (In Unison)**

**Use our gifts, might God, to bring light were there is
gloom, hope where there is despair, peace where
there is turmoil. May Jesus Christ be proclaimed
among us and around your world. May righteousness
and justice prevail in spite of differences. We
dedicate ourselves and our offering to these ends.
Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: "Lord, Prepare Me To Be a Sanctuary" (Insert)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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PRAISE & PRAYER REQUESTS

Brent Adkins: Brent is now home and improving slowly.

Betty Bryant: Betty is a friend of Betty Shaffner and has been in the hospital for 4 weeks with a serious illness. Prayers are appreciated.

Bruce Cunningham: Bruce, husband of our former pastor, Carla Cunningham, passed away on Friday, January 19th. He was 94 years old. Please keep Carla in your prayers.

Wayne and Gretchen Cunningham: Stephanie Strobe's parents continue to battle health issues. Both have experienced some improvement of late but face long roads. Please keep them in your prayers.

Mary Ann Crist: Please keep Mary Ann in your prayers while she fights breast cancer. She is scheduled for surgery on February 15th.

Em Finney: Please continue to pray for Ginny's sister as she continues to battle her illness. Ginny reports that she continues to hold her own but needs our prayers now more than ever.

Michael Ham: Michael continues to need our prayers as his health struggles continue. Thankfully, at the moment, he is holding his own.

Glenn Lytle: Glenn is back home following rehab. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

Erika, Logan and Brianna Wilson: Please pray for Sharon's grandchildren that they may know the love, peace and grace of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Remember our homebound in your thoughts and prayers. Cards are welcome:

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Carletta Gritzmaker: 2896 West Main Street, Troy, OH 45373

Joan Meredith: Lakeview Wing #213, 1567 Garbry Road, Piqua, OH 45356