

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



April 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 10a History Team 6p Choir	4	5	6
7 9:30a Adult Sunday School / Exploration Class 10:30a Worship	8	9	10 10a History Team 6p Choir 4:30p Ministry & Worship	11	12	13
14 9:30a Adult Sunday School / Exploration Class 10:30a Worship	15	16	17 10a History Team 6p Choir	18	19	20 10a Coffee Chat at TGP
21 9:30a Adult Sunday School 10:30a Worship	22	23	24 10a History Team 6p Choir	25 10a Council	26	27
28 9:30a Adult Sun School 10:30a Worship	29	30				

April 14, 2024

“Mixed Emotions”



Joyce Huston – 4/15 JoAnn Kropp – 4/15

Robert Brower – 4/22

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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 "Coronation" Janet Correll

*OPENING WORDS *For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.*

I Peter 3:18

*SONG OF THE MORNING "Christ Arose" (Insert)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Sings praises to God, O you saints of God. Give thanks to God's holy name.

People: Praise God for the joyous gift of resurrection and new life. Thank God for healing and ever-present help.

Liturgist: Give thanks to God who turns mourning into dancing. Praise God who hears our cries and answers our prayers.

People: We have cried to you in our need, O God. We believe you are working to make us whole.

Church News

Join us next Sunday in the café for Adult Sunday School at 9:30am. Mike Beamish will be leading us in the topic "Available 24/6 – The Sabbath as a Holy Day".

Membership Exploration Group

All who are in the Membership Exploration Group are invited to the final session on April 21st at 9:30am at the Gathering Place. Next week is our session. Come with your questions.

Coffee Chat

The Christian Education Committee is hosting a Coffee Chat on Saturday, April 27, at 10 a.m. at The Gathering Place. Coffee and munchies will be provided. Conversation will be whatever is on your mind. All are welcome. The playground will be available for those who need it. Come and enjoy a Cuppa Joe with your St. John's family!

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,

Attendance and Giving

Total Attendance last week 4/7/24 = 29

General Fund Donations		
Week of 4/7/24	Month of April	Monthly Budget
\$3,770.00	\$3,770.00	\$9,507.00

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION: (In Unison)

Come to us as a light from heaven, Sovereign God. Pierce the shadows of doubt and despair, anger and scorn, that we allow to rule in our lives. Awaken us from dull routines to fully participate in worship that is alive with awe and wonder, spontaneity, and joy. Surprise us with a presence we cannot avoid. We are gathered by the love of Christ, that we may feed others as we have been fed. Amen.

ANTHEM: "The Words of My Mouth" Ruth Elaine Schram

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.

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 24:36b-48

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

"Mixed Emotions"

Don Crist

OFFERTORY INVITATION (Liturgist)

*Who will carry the name of Christ into the marketplace?
Who will try new ways of faithfulness? Our offerings involve all
who give. They empower those who serve. They express our
praise and thanksgiving while witnessing to the reign of love in
our midst.*

OFFERTORY “Lento” Friedrich Reissiger

*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)

**We bring our offerings to feed your lambs and tend
your sheep, gracious God. May these gifts extend love
in the form of food, pure water, shelter, and
acceptance. Let them provide outreach to the world
and opportunities for growth within the congregation.
Help us focus on what is important, that we may work
together to make a difference in the world. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN: #403 (Black Hymnal)

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Élévation” Antoine Batiste

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PRAISE & PRAYER REQUESTS

Brent Adkins: Brent is now home and improving slowly.

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 recovers from her surgery at home.

Pat Eichhorn: Please pray for Pat, she is ill

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.

Joyce Heffelfinger: Please pray for Joyce, she is having health issues.

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

Caroline Maslowski: Caroline doing well recovering at home and should be able to return soon.

Ruth Simpson: Ruth is recuperating at home with her son. She has several weeks before she is able to return.

Karen Spear: Is home recovering from foot surgery

Erika, Logan and Brieanna 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:

Beulah Bowers: 1220 N Dorset, Troy, OH 45373 ***Address change – she is back home and living with her daughter**

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

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