

March 8, 2020 – Scout Sunday

*(Indicates, please stand as able)

We Gather as Community

Prelude "This Is My Father's World"
Franklin Sheppard/Rick Parks

Greeting Rev. Andy Wagner
(We invite members & guests to provide your name & contact information in the attendance pad as it is passed through the row.)

Life of the Church

Mission Moment Char Lee

*Presentation of the American Flag by: Boy Scout Troop #362,
Cub Scout Pack #362, Girl Scout Troops #32782 and #32386

*The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by: The Scouting Units

*Introit Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship

L: God is the Gardener, and God is planting something new;

P: In this time of worship, may we grow in Christ.

L: God is pruning us back so we may bear fruit;

P: In this time of worship, may we repent, and know God's forgiveness.

L: God is nurturing us with water and Spirit, that we may blossom;

P: In this time of worship, may we praise our Creator and Sustainer!

L: Come, let us join together in worship;

A: Let us praise God, who is growing something new in us.

*Hymn of Praise "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" UMH #57

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Opening Prayer (unison)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We Proclaim the Word

Children's Moments

This Sunday is Coins for Mission Sunday. Coins will go to the following Ministries supported by the FCUMC mission and outreach team:

International: Wings of the Morning; National: Shoes 4 the Shoeless, Henderson Settlement; Local: Bridges of Hope, Fish Pantry, and IHN.

Anthem Chancel Choir
"My Savior Died Upon the Cross" Sue Farrar

*Scripture Reading John 15:1-12

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

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Sermon "A Perfect Love: Stay Connected" Rev. Andy Wagner

We Respond in Faith

Hymn of Prayer "O For a Heart to Praise My God" UMH #417

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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 sins as

we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,

the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Bind Us Together" Bob Gillman/Mark Hayes

*Doxology UMH #95

*Prayer of Dedication Rev. Andy Wagner

We Go Forth in Service

*Hymn of Commitment "I Need Thee Every Hour" UMH #397

*Benediction

*Choral Response

Postlude "You Are My All In All" Dennis Jernigan/Jerry Ray

Altar Flowers are given by Grandma & Grandpa Byers in honor of Nickie, Gracie, Braden, Koltan, and Kinsey.

Monday 9	Bible Study w/ Pastor Andy	2:00 pm	Parlor
	Cub Scouts	6:30 pm	Rm 5, 11, 12, 15 A,B
	Boy Scouts	7:00 pm	Rm 15 C
	Stephen Ministry	7:00 pm	Library
Tuesday 10	Xenia H.S. Winter Guard	3:30 pm	FCC
	Worship Design Team	4:30 pm	Pastor Andy's Office
	SPRC	5:00 pm	Rm 6
	Volleyball	6:00 pm	FCC
	Girl Scouts Leaders	6:00 pm	Rm 15 A,B
Wednesday 11	DEADLINE FOR 3/15/20 BULLETIN		
	Handbell Practice	6:15 pm	Music Room
	Lydia's Circle	7:00 pm	Parlor
Thursday 12	Choir Practice	7:30 pm	Sanctuary
	Bible Study	10:00 am	Parlor
	Prayer Shawl	11:30 am	Parlor
	Membership Care	12:30 pm	Rm 6
	Volleyball	6:00 pm	FCC
Friday 13	Grief Support	7:00 pm	Parlor
	Xenia H.S. Winter Guard	3:30 pm	FCC
Saturday 14	Volleyball	6:00 pm	FCC
	UMW Prayer Breakfast	9:30 am	15 A-C
Sunday 15	Sunday School	9:00 am	Preschool through Grade 5, Rm 12 & Grades 6-12, Rm 8
	Fellowship & Coffee	10:00 am	FH 15 A & B
	Worship	10:30 am	Sanctuary
	Confirmation Class	4:30 pm	Youth Room 16B

Sunday School Studies

Explorers meet in Room 6, Leader Cheryl Vahle study of **"Easter Realities, a 4 week study.**

Double I meet in 15C, Leader Wayne Cook study of **"30 Life Principles" by Charles F. Stanley.**

Open Doors meet in Parlor studying **"A Life-Changing Encounter with God's Word from the Book of Mark" by The Navigators.**

Friends & Followers meet in the Library, Leader is Chad Mossing will be studying **Didn't See It Coming.**

Grades 6-12 will meet in The Edge, Leader Julie Wickline.

Preschool – Grade 5 Join the children under the leadership of Betsy Murray, Karen Mossing, and Kylie Fleming for Bible Stories and activities to reinforce the Bible Story of the day.



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Worship Team

Ushers

Paul Pinkerton, Doug Wickline,
Bruce Spitler, Joe Kennedy

Greeters

Girl Scouts

Liturgist

Joe Kennedy

Acolytes

Moira Ackenhausen, Molly Mossing

Organist

Carol Stewart

Gospel Lesson – John 15:1-12

The Vine and the Branches

15 I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. ² He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. ³ You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴ Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. ⁷ If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. ¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹² My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

Next Sermon – Sunday, March 15

"A Perfect Love: Love God"

Rev. Andy Wagner

Announcements

Nursery Care: We are looking for paid part-time help to provide nursery care for infants and toddlers on Sunday morning for Sunday school and worship. If you, or someone you know, is interested in spending time with our youngest members, please contact Becky Cultice 937-376-5747, culticer@sbcglobal.net, 937-768-8086 (cell), or any member of the Staff Parish Relations Committee for additional information about this position.

Prayer Breakfast: UMW Prayer Breakfast tickets are available in the Narthex before and after worship, in Fellowship Hall during coffee time, and in the church office Monday through Thursday from 10 AM to 2 PM. The breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, March 14 at 9:30 AM, and tickets are \$6 each. Ticket sales close Monday, March 9. Guest speaker is Sandra Sheridan.

Pie Sale: Serving pie at your Easter dinner? Why not save yourself some time and effort. Buy your pies from Faith Community United Methodist Women. Pies will be \$10 each; flavors are Lattice-top Apple, Cherry, Peach, Blueberry, Lemon Meringue, Coconut Cream, Chocolate Cream, and Pecan. Orders will begin on Sunday, March 15 and close on Sunday, March 29. Pick up will be Saturday, April 11 in The Community Center. To order, see a UMW member or place an order during coffee time or before and after worship services.

VBS Special Offering: During the season of Lent and Easter Sunday, the church will be collecting a special offering to support Vacation Bible School. Your gift will help provide for children participating in this year's program. The cost is approximately \$25 per child. Our goal is to raise \$2500. VBS offering envelopes will be available in the pews. Please mark your check VBS. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Educational Assistance: Guidelines and application forms for FCUMC's Educational Assistance are available in the narthex and church office. This year assistance will be offered to graduating high school seniors who are contemplating entering a college or technical school in the fall of 2020 as well as to upper classmen currently enrolled in college. These forms must be completed and returned to the church office by the April 13, 2020 deadline.

Shoes 4 the Shoeless: Anyone interested in volunteering for the Shoes 4 the Shoeless (S4TS) event happening on Saturday, March 20 to measure kids feet and on Saturday, April 4 to give shoes away, please contact Sandy Pramer 937-307-3619. Footprints with the children's names and shoes size will be available in the narthex on Sunday, March 22 if you would like to purchase a pair of tennis shoes for a child. We will bless the purchased shoes on Sunday, March 29 and then give the shoes to the children on Saturday, April 4. Thanks in advance for your help with this project.

Attention All Men: The Men of Faith will be serving a meal at 6:30pm on March 16th in Rm 16 A&B. The program will begin at 7:00pm and will be an update by Beth Holten from Interfaith Hospitality Network on how they are expanding and growing their program. Please call Bruce Pickelheimer at 937-376-2361 if you plan to attend the meal, so we can plan the quantity of food. All men are welcome and you can bring a friend.

Membership Directory Photos: Photos will be taken Thursday, April 23 2:00pm-8:30pm, Friday, April 24 2:00pm-7:30p, Saturday Apr 25 10:30am-5:00pm. If you choose to schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on the yellow sunburst icon, enter **oh2035** in the Church code field and enter **photos** in the Church password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you are unable to use a computer you can register in the narthex on Sunday mornings or call Deb Klaty in the church office 937-372-7601 ext. 10. Please leave evenings and Saturdays for families with kids in school and working parents. Please note the online system is only available Monday-Friday.