October 30, 2022

(**Indicates, please stand as able)

Prelude

Greeting/Life of the Church

Pastor Andy Wagner

Jim McPeek

**Call to Worship

L: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer,

P: my rock in whom I take refuge,

L: my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

P: We love you, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer. A: Let us worship God.

**Opening Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" UMH#110

Opening Prayer (unison)

Merciful God, we come to you for a moment of quiet in our selfmade busyness. We come to you for energy in our weariness. We come to you for challenge when we are willing to settle for our own small plans and dreams. We long for the peace of your presence, even as we are afraid of the urgency of your call. Enter, Spirit of God, into each of our lives and enliven us; enter, Spirit of God, into our community and enable us to love and serve you and all your children. Amen

Children's Moments

Prayer Hymn

"Be Still, My Soul"

UMH#534

Prayers of the Faithful & 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, and the power and the glory forever. Amen. Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Jim McPeek UMH #95

**Doxology

**Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, by the power of your Spirit, bless and multiply these gifts we bring. Use them to raise up the fallen, to comfort the distressed, to guide the confused and to strengthen the weak. Through our gifts and the work and service we offer through them, let all who are in need know they may experience the presence and power of your Spirit active on their behalf and in their lives. Amen.

Scripture Lesson	Psalm 4			
L: The Word of God for t	e People of God.			
P: Thanks be to God! Amen.				
Ministry of Music	John Sherer, vocal solo; Jim McPeek, piano			

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"Τ	HE PRAYER - with Lead us, Lord"	arr. by Tom Fettke
Sermon	"Our Helper Amid the Flood"	Pastor Andy Wagner
**Closing Hymr	"It Is Well with My Soul"	UMH #377
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Postlude		Jim McPeek



Altar Flowers are given by Elaine Hughes in honor of Dr. Paul Dillaplain's birthday.

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Scripture Lesson – Psalm 46

God Is Our Fortress

46 God is our refuge and strength,

- a very present help in trouble.
- ² Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
- ³ though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
- ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.
- ⁵ God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.
- ⁶ The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.
- ⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- ⁸ Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth.
- ⁹ He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.
- ¹⁰ "Be still, and know that I am God.I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"
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WELCOME VISITORS!

If you are visiting with us today, please take a moment to sign our attendance register located in each pew. We welcome you and hope you will come back and worship with us again soon.





Sharing Faith, Building Community

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Worship Team

Ushers	Karen Mossing, Joyce Osburn Virginia Pinkerton, Debbie Spitler
Greeters	Dick Montgomery, Sandy Pramer
Acolytes	Luke Mossing, Logan Fleming
Liturgist	Vic Toney
Guest Organist	Jim McPeek
Choir Director	Glen Shaw
Bells Director	Jim McPeek





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Hally Netton	Boy Scouts	7:00 pm	FH 15
Tuesday	Tuesday Magic Volleyball Practice		FCC
1	Girl Scouts	6:00 pm	FH 15 A,B,C, 16A-B
	Trustees	6:30 pm	Rm 8
Wednesday	Handbell Practice	6:15 pm	Music Room
2	Choir Practice	7:30 pm	Sanctuary
Thursday	Prayer Shawl	11:00 am	Parlor
3	Woman's Club of Xenia	1:30 pm	Parlor
	Showers for Blessings	6:30 pm	Chapel & FH 15A
Friday Private Event		5:30 pm	Sanctuary
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Saturday	Private Event	3:30 pm	Sanctuary
5	Private Event	4:30 pm	FCC
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6	Worship Service	10:30 am	Sanctuary
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SHOWERS FOR BLESSINGS: Do you remember Bri Davis? She was a dependable young lady who was a member of our youth group and then worked with Susan Fellie to assist with prom preps and many other activities within the church. Bri is expecting a baby boy in December so Sandy Pramer and I thought it most appropriate to bless Bri with a shower for her upcoming new little boy. Set aside **Thursday, November 3rd** to help us celebrate with Bri. We will meet in the chapel at **6:30** for story and prayer time and then progress to the Fellowship A for the opening of gifts and some light snacks. We hope all the ladies of the church will be able to celebrate with us. -- Virginia Pinkerton (937) 902-9022.

REGIONAL CHARGE CONFERENCE: On **Sunday, November 6**, our church will host a regional Charge Conference for Greene County and northern Clinton County churches. The regional Charge Conference will take place in our sanctuary at **3:00PM**. Prior to that, the Administrative Board will meet at 2:00PM in the chapel, in order to discuss and finalize all of our reports and prepare them for the vote. While everyone is welcome to attend the Charge Conference, voting is limited to the members of the Administrative Board.

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