

March 8th

Taco Soup (cheese, Doritos chips, sour cream) Deviled Eggs, French Bread, Hot Dog/Bun, Chips, Salad, Drinks & Variety of Desserts

First Church's Maundy Thursday event will look differently this year! We are encouraging our congregation to join our brothers and sisters in Christ at Trinity Friends Church in a Community Event. FREE tickets (for seating purposes) are available at <u>https://</u> www.trinityfriendschurch.com/events.



We hope you will join us and bring a friend.



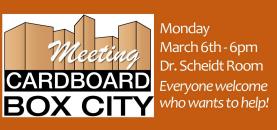


PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE Thursday, March 9th 6:00 to 7:30pm > Meet the teachers > Tour the classrooms > Learn about our curriculur > Register for the 2023-2024 school year

an't make it? Call Administrator Marilyn Agler at 419-238-0631 ext. 308 to schedule a tour or register online at www.fumpreschool.com







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March 5, 2023 8:15 am

Saving Faith

Pastor Chris Farmer

Our Vision Statement: Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus

Thanks for joining us today! If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the Welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances, and no matter where you've been, you matter to God, and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, **Welcome!** Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.

8:15 am ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, March 5, 2023

PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR WORSHIP

"What does the Scripture say, Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness." (Romans 4:3)

The Gathering

Welcome		Jeremy Laukhuf
*Praise and Worship Time	J	eremy Laukhuf & Praise Team
Old Testament Lesson:	Psalm 121	Al Arnold
Praise & Worship time		
Offering Offering Music - <i>I Surrender</i> Prayer of Dedication		
*Scripture:	Romans 4:1-5, 13-25	Pastor Chris Farmer
Series: Sermon:	Empty and Filled Saving Faith	
Song:		
The Sacrament of Holy Com Invitation The Great Thanksgiving The Lord's Prayer Distribution of the Brea Prayer of Gratitude		
Song of Thanksgiving	Here O My Lord	

Life of the Church

*Benediction

KID'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT 8:15

Nursery Ministry (infant to age 2) is located near the Jefferson Street entrance. You may drop your child off at any time during the service. There are also rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary for your use.

8:15 AWE - AWE is an exciting time of helping kids experience God through weekly Bible points, fun activities, and engaging worship. This class includes preparing a worship presentation during service.

Participants:

Lead Pastor: Chris Farmer Worship Assistant: Al Arnold Praise and Worship Leader: Jeremy Laukhuf Sound Engineer: Kent Smelser Projectionist: Jill Smelser Videographer: Dave Thompson Graphics: Cheri Oechsle, Sherri Arn Usher/Greeter Coordinator: Dave Lichtle

You are invited to Discernment Meetings regarding our current relationship with the United Methodist Church. If you would like to attend a meeting, please sign up in advance. Groups will be limited to 20 people. You may sign up by contacting Jana Thompson at jana.thompson@vanwertfirst.net or calling 419-203-1137. Jana will also be at the coffee station in Krout during church for those who want to sign up.

Meetings will be held:

Sunday March 5, 2023 @ 1:00pm Sunday March 5, 2023 @ 3:00pm Sunday March 5, 2023 @ 6:30pm Wednesday March 8, 2023 @ 5:30pm Thursday March 9, 2023 @ 7:00pm Sunday March 12, 2023 @ 1:00pm Sunday March 12, 2023 @ 3:00pm