

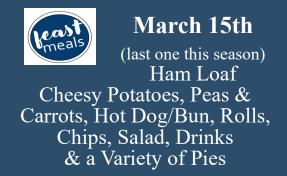
First Church's Maundy Thursday event will look differently this year! We are encouraging our congregation to join our brothers and sisters in Christ at Trinity Friends Church in a Community Event. FREE tickets (for seating purposes) are available at

https://www.trinityfriendschurch.com/events.

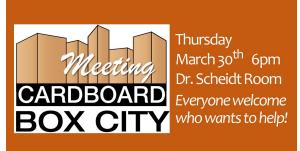




MONDAY – THURSDAY 8:30-1:30 FRIDAY 8:30-12:00









FIRST united methodist CHURCH

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March 12, 2023 8:15 am

God's Filling Love

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 12, 2023

PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR WORSHIP

"And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us...But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:5, 8

The Gathering

Welcome and *Praise Songs Cheri Oechsle

Chat with the Children **Judy Krites**

Children released to AWE

A Witness from a Gideon Ray Etzler

Susan Burchfield Announcements

Offerina

Offering Music -Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart Cheri Oechsle

Romans 5:1-11 Pastor Chris Farmer *Scripture:

Empty and Filled Series Sermon God's Filling Love

Amazing Grace Song Cheri Oechsle

Pastor Chris Farmer **Prayer**

The Lord's Prayer

Pastor Chris Farmer **Announcements**

It is Well with My Soul *Song

Pastor Chris Farmer *Blessing

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.

Worship Participants

Lead Pastor: Pastor Chris Farmer **Worship Assistant:** Susan Burchfield **Praise and Worship Leader:** Cheri Oechsle **Sound Engineer:** Kent Smelser **Projectionist:** Jill Smelser Videographer: Noah Carter

Graphics: Cheri Oechsle, Sherri Arn

Usher/Greeter Coordinator: Dave Lichtle



The flowers on the altar are given by

Terry & Verona Eikenbary In honor of their 55th Wedding Anniversary and their Grandson's 25th Birthday



The rose on the altar is in honor of

Theodore Burchfield born February 22, 2023 to parents Will Burchfield & Allison Hight and **Proud Grandparents** Marty & Susan Burchfield

Discernment Meetings Today at 1:00pm or 3:00pm

You are invited to attend one of our Discernment Meetings this afternoon, regarding our current relationship with the United Methodist Church. No signup is needed, please join us downstairs in the Dining Room. You may also attend a small group that is having the Discernment team join them by contacting Jana Thompson at jana.thompson@vanwertfirst.net or 419-203-1137. Jana will in the Krout area this morning for those who would like to sign up or have guestions.