

5th Sunday
APRIL 30, 2023
 One Service at 10:30am
 Student Led Worship
speaker: Reverend Matt Overman

First United Methodist Church
 Preschool presents a FREE family concert featuring... **TODAY!!**
SLUGS & BUGS
 SUNDAY, 3:00pm
APRIL 16
 with **RANDALL GOODGAME**




FIRST united
methodist CHURCH
 113 West Central Avenue | Van Wert, Ohio 45891 | 419-238-0631 | vanwertfirst.net

Spaghetti Dinner FUNDRAISER
 Sunday, April 30 – 11:30am Support our Youth
\$9.00 Adults \$6.00 under 12
 Spaghetti Salad Bar Bread Sticks Meatballs
 Red Sauce Alfredo Sauce
 Desserts Drinks



OPERATION BACK-TO-SCHOOL
8TH ANNUAL OPBTS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
 Thursday, April 20, 2023
 6:30pm
 First United Methodist Church
 113 W Central Ave, Van Wert, OH




Who We Are

Card boxes will be available on **May 21st** for our 4 graduates!
 ➤ Carly Bebout
 ➤ Hunter Burton
 ➤ Ryleigh Hanicq
 ➤ Damon McCracken

Please bring in cards for our young adults!

2023



Are you receiving our Weekly Email and the Monthly Friendly Visitor?

READ ALL ABOUT IT!

If not, please contact Jody in the office to update your email and address.

April 16, 2023 8:15 am
We Are God's Chosen
Rev. Dillon Staas III

DUE DATE
Discernment Surveys

- Due this **Wednesday, April 19th**
- Additional copies available in the church office today, Monday & Tuesday
- Drop off box is located outside the church office

REGISTRATION IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN & VOLUNTEERS:
 use this link to sign up!
vbspro.events/p/fumcstellarvbs
 Or visit our website:
vanwertfirst.net/vbs

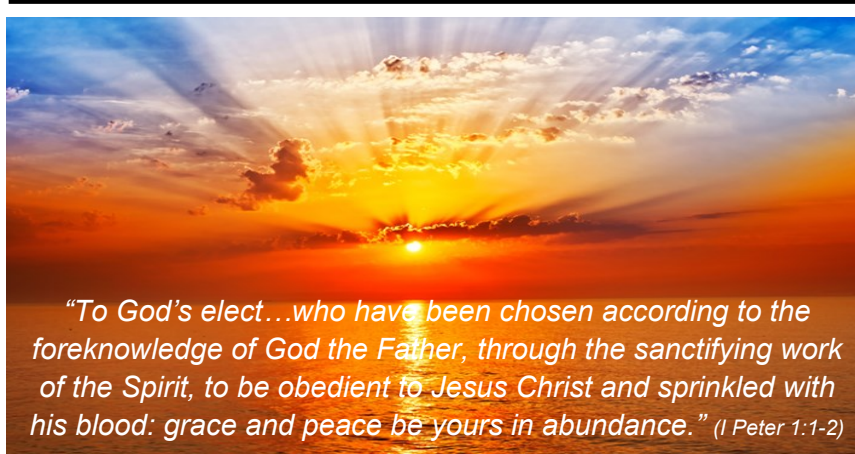


Vacation Bible School JUNE 5-8 8:30-11:30am
 FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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, April 16, 2023



“To God’s elect...who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood: grace and peace be yours in abundance.” (1 Peter 1:1-2)

**indicates please stand if you are able
Please sign the attendance pad located in each pew*

The Gathering:

Welcome and *Praise Songs:

*Heart of Worship
10,000 Reasons
Hear I am to Worship*

Cheri Oechsle and Praise Band

Opening Prayer

Cheri Oechsle

Chat with the Children:

Children are dismissed to AWE

Julie Burenga

Giving of Tithes & Offerings:

Opportunities to Give
*Offertory Music: *Amazing Grace*
*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Al Arnold
Cheri Oechsle
Al Arnold

*Scripture:

I Peter 1:1-12

Rev. Dillon Staas III

Series: Sermon:

Who We Are
“We Are God’s Chosen”

Rev. Dillon Staas III

Song: *In Christ Alone*

Cheri Oechsle

Prayers with the People:
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord’s Prayer

Rev. Dillon Staas III

Life of the Church:

Al Arnold

***Benediction:**

Al Arnold

Leaders in Worship

Preacher of the Day: Rev. Dillon Staas III

Praise and Worship Leader: Cheri Oechsle

Worship Assistant: Al Arnold

Sound: Kent Smelser

Projectionist: Jill Smelser

Videographer: Dave Thompson

Graphics: Cheri Oechsle, Sherri Arn

Usher/Greeter Coordinator: Dave Lichtle

Contact us with any changes
so we can update your records!

EMAIL US AT: firstchurch@vanwertfirst.net

SEE JODY
FOR UPDATES TO:

- ADDRESSES
- PHONE NUMBERS
- MARITAL STATUS
- BIRTHS, ETC.



Take
stock
in our
Youth!

Buy stock
on the
following Sundays:
April 23 & 30

We are offering ‘stock’ for our youth group!

1 share of stock equals \$50
2 shares of stock equals \$100 etc.

What you will get for your stock:

- to support our youth
- a stock certificate
- an invitation to stockholders meeting on July 23rd

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.