

2012 Group

Proverbs 20:12:

The hearing ear and the seeing eye – ADONAI made them both

**Bible Study / Sunday School class
after service in the church library**

All you need is your favorite translation of the Bible

Contact Jeremy Laukhuf at laukhuf@gmail.com

Come join us as we learn and grow together



**ADMINISTRATIVE
BOARD MEETING
JULY 27 7PM**

All are welcome to attend

Meeting will be held in the
basement dining room

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.



SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS
May 28 - September 3
ONE SERVICE @ 9:30AM

FIRST CHURCH

OFFICE hours

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

Stockholder Annual Meeting

TODAY!

2pm-4pm

**Krout Memorial
@ First UM Church**

*It's not too late to purchase your YOUTH STOCK!
See Teresa or Sierra*

Desserts - Drinks
Youth Presentations
from Dominican Republic Trip
and Youth Events

You don't want to miss it!



**IGNITE
Van Wert 2023
July 27-29**

A JOB FOR **EVERY** SKILL LEVEL!

SIGN UP AT
communityrelief.net

choose Ignite Sign Up then fill out the volunteer form



Volunteers are needed
from 1-3pm (set up)
and
5-6pm (tear down)
Sunday, July 30, 2023!

**Sunday
July 30!**

Contact Paula LaRue, Teresa Shaffer or the office
for more information.

Faith & Works, Works & Faith, fit together hand and glove.

SIGN UPS ARE
AVAILABLE IN
KROUT:

- Volunteers to register for event
- To make food for the event

See Teresa or
Sierra for
additional
information

FIRST United methodist CHURCH

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SERIES:
Whale of a Fight...

July 23, 2023 9:30am

Pastor Christian Taylor

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.

9:30 am ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, July 23, 2023

“Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High”
Psalm 50:14

**indicates please stand if you are able
Please fill out the attendance pad and pass it to your neighbor*

Prelude: “Out of the Depths Have I Cried unto Thee” J. Langlais Gloria Wendel

Welcome: John White

***Call to Worship:** John White

Leader: I will exalt you, Lord,

People: for you lifted me out of the depths and did not let my enemies gloat over me.

Leader: Lord my God, I called to you for help,

People: and you healed me. You, Lord, brought me up from the realm of the dead; you spared me from going down to the pit.

Leader: Sing the praises of the Lord, you his faithful people; praise his holy name.

People: For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime;

Leader: weeping may stay for the night,

People: but rejoicing comes in the morning.

***Hymn:** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #57

***Opening Prayer:** John White

Oh God, we praise You for Your relentless mercy, grace, and love towards sinners, including every one of us praying right now. All glory be to Your name. Salvation belongs to You. We cry out to You from our distress, and You hear and answer us by Your grace. All glory be to Your name forever and ever. We lift our petitions to you in Jesus’ name, Amen.

***Song:** *Good, Good Father/King Of My Heart* Jeremy Laukhuf

Chat with the Children: Cristi Laukhuf
Children dismissed to AWE (Preschool thru 5th Grade)

Life in the Church I: John White

***Scripture:** Jonah 2:1-11 Pastor Christian Taylor

Series: A Whale of a Fight
Message: “A Hard Bargain” Pastor Christian Taylor

Hymn: *Just As I Am*

Prayers of the People: Pastor Christian Taylor
The Lord’s Prayer

Life in the Church II: Pastor Christian Taylor

***Spoken Benediction:** Pastor Christian Taylor

Postlude: “Toccata in D Minor” by J.S. Bach Gloria Wendel

You are invited to be seated and enjoy the Postlude or leave quietly in peace.



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or 419/238-0631



SELECT PEWS WILL BE BLOCKED OFF FROM WEEK TO WEEK FOR MAINTENANCE

Please use pews **without** white ropes and/or fans.

Thankyou!

UNDER MAINTENANCE STOP

Leaders in Today’s Worship

Pastor: Christian Taylor
Praise & Worship Leader: Jeremy Laukhuf
Announcer: John White
Screen Creators: Cheri Oechsle, Sherri Arn
Usher/Greeter Coordinator: Dave Lichtle, Neil Shaffer

Organist: Gloria Wendel
Projectionist: Grace Dowler
Sound Technician: Kent Smelser
Videographer: Noah Carter

KID’S MINISTRY SUMMER AWE

Children preschool through 5th grade have an opportunity to build their relationship with Jesus through uplifting songs and impactful Bible lessons by attending our Alternate Worship Experience. Children will be released to AWE after praise and worship time. AWE will not meet Communion Sundays which is the first Sunday of the month. Please sign in before service with KidCheck located by the nursery or the Scheidt room.

Tithe/Offering may be made by dropping it in one of the wooden boxes around the sanctuary, using our online giving option found on our website at vanwertfirst.net, texting 419.963.3557 or mailing it to First UMC, 113 W. Central Avenue, Van Wert, OH 45891. Thank you for your support to First UMC and her ministries.