

**Upcoming Summer Hours**  
**Service starts @ 9:30am**  
**Beginning June 16th to Sept 1st**

A FEMALE TRIP TO GO AND LOVE ON THE WOMEN  
 AND MOTHERS IN THE DR OCTOBER 2-9, 2024

**Hope for Her**



**Meeting**  
**Wednesday,**  
**June 12 at 5:30 in**  
**the Scheidt room**

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**methodist**CHURCH

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**"FLAT JESUS"**  
 -Pick up paper in office  
 -Color and cut out "Flat Jesus"  
 -Take a picture with you and Jesus on all your adventures this summer



Text your pic to Cristi  
 @ 719-232-3691  
 or email  
 cristi.laukhuf@vanwertfirst.net



**IGNITE 2024**  
**JULY 18-20**



We Need Volunteers of All Skill Levels  
 There is a Place for Everyone to Serve.  
 Bring the Whole Family



Sign up with Teresa or use  
 the QR code



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**Preschool Enrollment Open**

Contact Marilyn for more information  
 marilyn.agler@vanwertfirst.net



**SAVE THE DATE**

**TINCAPS GAME**  
**AUG 15, 2024**  
**7:05 PM**  
**\$12 EACH**

**TICKET SALES START JULY 1ST**



**Operation Back to School**  
 Fountain Park July 28 2024  
 3pm - 5pm

Register on  
 vanwertfirst.net



FIRST CHURCH

OFFICE hours

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

June 9, 2024

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.

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

“The rabble with them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, “If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!” Numbers 11:4-6 NIV

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

**Welcome & Announcements** Susan Burchfield

**Prelude** *More Love to Thee, O Christ* arr. Mark Hayes

**\*Call to Worship** Susan Burchfield

L: Some of us come today with hearts weighed down with anxiety, fear, despair, and hurt. Together we cling to this truth:

**P: God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Some of us come today with hearts that feel light with relief, joy, comfort, and gratitude. Together we cling to this truth:

**P: God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Some of us come today not knowing what we think about God, confused and disappointed that the world God made is so full of evils of every kind. Together we cling to this truth:

**P: God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

L: Be with us, God, in all that we bring with us, as we gather to encounter your unchanging love.

**P: We come today to enter the dance of the Trinity who is immutable in love. Amen.**

**\*Hymn** *Holy, Holy, Holy*

**\*Opening Prayer** Susan Burchfield

Heavenly Father, we gather this morning with those who love You, that we might sing Your praises and share Your love with one another. You have shown Your faithfulness to us every day in ways that we do not always recognize, so we gather today in order to thank You for Your constant watch-care over us. Help us to entrust our lives to You and Your purposes as we pray in the Name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray in the power of Your Spirit, “Our Father. . .”

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**VBS Kids** Cristi Laukhuf  
*Children are dismissed to AWE*

**Life in the Church** Susan Burchfield

**\*Scripture** 1 Samuel 8:4-20

**Series Message** **Ascribe to God**  
Immutable in Love Pastor Christian Taylor

**\*Song** *King Of My Heart*

**Prayers of the People**

**Giving of Tithes & Offerings** (Children return from AWE)

**Offertory** *Victory in Jesus* arr. Glenda Austin

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* #95

**\*Prayer of Gratitude**

**\*Hymn** *On Eagle’s Wings* #143

**\*Spoken Benediction**

**Postlude** *Praise Him! Praise Him!* arr. Mark Hayes



## KID’S MINISTRY 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 and return during offering time. AWE will not meet Communion Sunday which is the first Sunday of the month.

## Leaders in Today’s Worship

**Pastor:** Christian Taylor  
**Director of Music:** Scott Turner  
**Worship Leader:** Jeremy Laukhuf  
**Screen Creators:** Cheri Oechsle, Melody Taylor  
**Usher Coordinator:** Neil Shaffer and Dave Lichtle, Assist.

**Projectionist:** Noah Carter  
**Sound Technician:** Kyle Wendel  
**Videographer:** Dave Thompson