

FIRST CHURCH
OFFICE hours
MONDAY – THURSDAY 8:30-1:30
FRIDAY 8:30-12:00

Third Grade Bible Presentation
September 8th
10:15am Service



Children's Ministry Meeting
Sunday, August 18th
11:00am - 12:00pm
Scheidt Room

Open to anyone interested in helping with Sunday School, AWE, Monthly Events, or just wants to know what we're doing.

August Food Pantry needs:
BOXED MEALS
Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, etc.

Wednesday Night Feast Volunteers
WNF begins Sept 11th - Nov 13th
Every Wednesday @ 5pm

Sign up sheets will be available August 11th

We are in need of volunteers

- WNF Cooks
- Dessert Volunteers
- Clean Up Volunteers

AUGUST 18th
9:30am service

BLESSING of the BACKPACKS

Anyone attending school in the fall please bring your backpacks to service so we can pray over you



Festival of Sharing
Aug 4-Sept 1

Help build a kit for a person in need

- Hygiene Kit
- School Kit
- Period Kit
- Cleaning Bucket

Finished kits can be placed next to the displays in both church entrances




Operation Back to School High School Event

Get school supplies for your young adult August 21 2:30pm - 6pm @ the Goedde Gym

Register your student by Aug 19th on our website: vanwertfirst.net

HAPPY LABOR DAY

Building & Office are closed September 2nd



FIRST united methodist CHURCH

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August 11, 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

“Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts.
Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God,
for he will freely pardon.” Isaiah 55:7 NIV

**indicates please stand if you are able*

Please fill out the attendance pad and pass it to your neighbor

Welcome & Announcements

Dillon Staas

Prelude *Great is Thy Faithfulness* William Runyon, arranged by Chris Rice
Jeremy Stoller, piano

*Call to Worship

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house,

People: The builder's labor is in vain.

Leader: Unless the Lord watches over the city,

People: The guards stand watch in vain.

Leader: In vain, you rise early and stay up late,

People: For he grants rest to those he loves.

Leader: Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.

People: They will soar on wings like eagles, run, and not grow weary,

All: We walk and do not faint.

***Hymn** *On Eagle's Wings*

#143

*Opening Prayer

God of heaven and earth, time and again, You invite us into your presence and show us your wonders. You surround us with a multitude of witnesses of your glory, but we often fail to see them for what they are. Restore our sight, O Lord, and help us to see the divine witnesses, the angelic messengers, that You set before us. When we see Your servants testifying of Your goodness, bring us to humble praise so we are not caught glorifying the creation and not the creator. We humbly beseech Thee, in the name of Jesus . Amen

Chat with the Children

Cristi Laukhuf

Children are dismissed to AWE - Preschool through 5th grade

Life in the Church

*Scripture

Daniel 4:9-19

Series

Daniel: Godly Integrity

Message

Pride Before the Fall

Pastor Christian

Song *Ancient Gates*

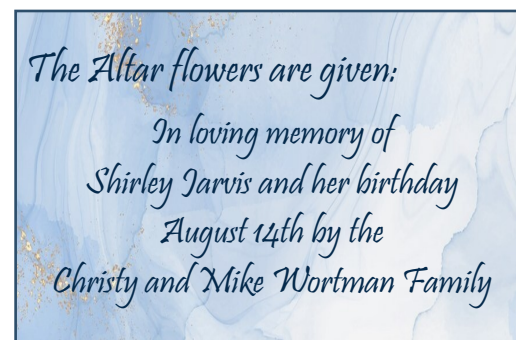
Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn** *O How I Love Jesus*

#170

*Spoken Benediction

Postlude *Jesus! What a Friend of Sinners!* Rowland Prichard, arranged by Chris Rice
Jeremy Stoller, piano



Tithes & Offerings may be made by dropping them 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.

KID'S MINISTRY AWE (Pickup after service in Dr. Scheidt Room)

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 may be picked up at the Scheidt room after service.

AWE will not meet Communion Sunday which is the first Sunday of the month.

Leaders in Today's Worship

Pastor: Christian Taylor

Worship Leader: Jeremy Laukhuf

Director of Music: Scott Turner

Announcer: Dillon Staas

Usher Coordinator: Neil Shaffer & Dave Lichtle, Asst.

Projectionist: Noah Krites

Sound Technician: Kent Smelser

Videographer: Kurt Massillo

Screen Creators: Cheri Oechsle &

Melody Taylor