

**2025 LENTEN FISH FRIES**  
 Van Wert Knights of Columbus Hall  
 425 Woodland Ave.  
 Serving 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm the following Fridays of Lent

March 21 - benefiting Van Wert Co. Cooperative Food Bank  
 April 11 - benefiting Haven of Hope

**CARRY-OUT or DINE-IN**

Fish Dinner - \$10.00  
 Shrimp Dinner: \$12.00  
 Box of Fish Only - \$17.00




*Easter Flower Sale*

Due Today! Order forms available outside Church office, the Take 5 table, and in this week's Worship Bulletin.

**Lessons in Legos**  
 Sunday, March 23rd  
 4:00pm  
 a fun afternoon learning how Jesus can use tiny blocks to teach big ideas



**Wednesday Night Feast**

**Mar. 12, 2024**

- Baked Spaghetti
- Garlic Toast
- Mixed Vegetables
- Hot Dogs / Rolls
- Chips
- Tossed Salad
- Desserts



**First Church Lent Mission Project**

**Baskets & Blessings**

Goal is 600 items!

Collection dates - March 5th - April 5th

**Kids VS Adults**

Kids bring in:

- Play Dough
- Bubbles
- Sidewalk Chalk
- Chocolate Cross or Bunny
- Ring Pops

Adults bring in:

- Cereal
- Ravioli
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Meat
- Juice
- Dish Soap
- Laundry Detergent

All donations will go to the Cooperative Ministry Food Pantry

Drop items in the bins provided in Krout

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# FIRST united methodist CHURCH

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**Timing and Tongues**

ACTS 2.1-4



**March 9th, 2025**

1st Sunday of Lent

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.

March Prayer Partner *prayer*

*Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Ephesians 4:32*

"Lord I lift up (\_\_\_\_\_) to you right now. I pray you fill (\_\_\_\_\_) heart with compassion. Give them compassion for the people they will come in contact with at school - friends, teachers, classmates, etc. I ask that you would help (\_\_\_\_\_) see these people through your eyes and show them the love of Jesus. I also ask for those working with and surrounding my child to have compassion as well. IN Jesus' name, Amen."

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Any you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off - for all whom the Lord our God will call.

Acts 2: 38-39

*\*indicates please stand if you are able*

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jana Thompson

**PRELUDE** *Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome* by David Huntsinger Scott Turner

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** Jana Thompson

Leader: When the Day of the Lord comes, will we be together?

**People: We gather in one place, waiting for God's wonder.**

Leader: Suddenly, the winds from heaven come.

**People: We gather in one place, waiting for God's wonder.**

Leader: When tongues of fire descend.

**People: We gather in one place, waiting for God's wonder.**

Leader: Spiritual languages come from within us.

**People: Gathered together, we hear, listen, and obey the Word of the Lord.**

**\*HYMN** *When We All Get to Heaven* (#701) Scott Turner

**\*OPENING PRAYER** Jana Thompson

*Heavenly Father, thank You for the example of those 120 faithful disciples who obeyed Your word and were given the privilege of being involved in the birth of the Body of Christ. We pray that like them, we may hear, listen, and obey Your commands and carry them out willingly to praise, worship, and glorify You. This we ask in Jesus' name, Amen.*

## LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

**Pastor:** Christian Taylor  
**Worship Leader:** Jeremy Laukhuf  
**Director of Music:** Scott Turner  
**Screen Creators:** Melody Taylor  
**Acolytes:** Henry Schaffner & Aubrey Osborn

**Projectionist:** Noah Carter  
**Sound Engineer:** Kyle Wendel  
**Videographer:** Kurt Massillo  
**Usher Coordinator:** Neil Shaffer & Dave Lichte, Assistant

## CHAT WITH THE CHILDREN /LENT

*(Children are dismissed to AWE - Preschool through 5th Grade)*

Pastor Christian Taylor

**ANTHEM** *Bless This House* arr. Joseph Martin Chancel Choir  
 Gloria Wendel, accompanist

**\*SCRIPTURE** Acts 2: 1-4 Jeremy Laukhuf

**SPECIAL MESSAGE** *Timing and Tongues* Jeremy Laukhuf

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Christian Taylor

## GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

*(Children return from AWE)*

**OFFERTORY** *Hymn Setting* arr. Scott Turner

**\*DOXOLOGY** *My Tribute* (#99)

### \*PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

**\*HYMN** *It Is Well With My Soul* (#377) Scott Turner

**\*SPOKEN BEDICTION** Pastor Christian Taylor

**POSTLUDE** *Postlude* by Lani Smith Scott Turner

*You are invited to be seated and enjoy the Postlude or leave quietly in peace.  
 Thank you for worshipping with us!*

## 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.



**PASTA BAR**  
Fundraiser for Mission Trip

Spaghetti, Chicken Alfredo,  
Salad, Bread Sticks and  
Desserts

**\$8**  
per plate





TODAY

11:30am