

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



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



Easter Flower Sale

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



First Church Lent Mission Project
Baskets & Blessings
 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

Contact: Teresa Shaffer 419-203-1538



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.”

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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.

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 Pastor Christian Taylor
(Children are dismissed to AWE - Preschool through 5th Grade)

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.



TODAY
11:30am