

Today!

Youth Group Car Wash

Sun, June 1
12 - 2 PM



at Lee Kinstles

WHAT A VBS MESS!

LEARN HOW
GOD MAKES
MESSY
THINGS
BEAUTIFUL

JUNE 2ND - 5TH

8:30AM - 11:30AM

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
113 W. CENTRAL AVE, VAN WERT

SHOE DRIVE

Spring cleaning, give us your shoes!
any type, style
and gender foot wear is
accepted



DROP OFF AT FIRST UNITED METHODIST
M-TH. 8:30-1:30PM FRI. 8:30 - 12PM

QUESTIONS
419-238-0631

Proceeds from drive benefit mission trips

Thank you for caring for others!

FIRST UNITED METHODIST Food Pantry



June is PB & J / MAC 'N CHEESE Month

Crunchy or creamy
Grape, strawberry, raspberry

*Please place your donations in
baskets located at either entrance.*

6/30/2023

Building and Offices

will be closed

Friday, June 6

No Food Pantry or Bread and Bowl on June 6



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BELIEVING INTO CHRIST

June 1, 2025

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 glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one,
as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one,
so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them
even as you have loved me.” *John 17: 22-23*

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Jana Thompson

PRELUDE *Theme* by Justin Hurwitz

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Jana Thompson
Leader: The roots of the Tree of Life run deep into the sacred soil.
People: The limbs of the Tree of Life reach out to embrace the goodness of all creation.
Leader: The trunk of the Tree of Life stands strong in the face of hatred and malice toward the least, the lonely, the left out.
People: The branches of the Tree of Life struggle toward the heavens, hoping to bring about God’s reign of justice and love for all.
Leader: The winds of the Spirit breathe through the Tree of Life, bringing renewal and hope.
People: May our worship this day be a worthy offering that supports the Tree of Life and brings the goodness of the Sacred to our world.

***HYMN** *Hymn of Promise* (#707)

***OPENING PRAYER** Jana Thompson
Gracious Creator, you invite us into a relationship with every breath. Settle us, center us, and calm us to the ever-moving flowing of your Spirit, calling us to become one with you. We pray in humility, with hope in the grace of God. Amen.

LEADERS IN TODAY’S WORSHIP

Pastor: Christian Taylor	Projectionist: Noah Krites
Worship Leader: Jeremy Laukhuf	Sound Engineer: Kyle Wendel
Director of Music: Scott Turner	Videographer: Kurt Massillo
Usher Coordinator: Neil Shaffer & Dave Lichtle, Assistant	Screen Creators: Melody Taylor

SONG *Revelation Song* Jeremy Laukhuf

CHAT WITH THE CHILDREN Ruth Ann Dowler
(Children will remain in Worship - NO AWE)

***SCRIPTURE** Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21
SERIES **Believing into Christ**
MESSAGE *Becoming One* Demond Johnson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
THE LORD’S PRAYER Demond Johnson

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY *Hymn Setting* by Noreen Grey Lienhard
***DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (#94) Scott Turner
***PRAYER OF GRATITUDE**

PRAYER FOR THE MISSION TRIP

***SPOKEN BENEDICTION** Demond Johnson

POSTLUDE *Hymn Setting* by Glenda Austin 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 Worship Kits

Today, our children will remain in worship instead of going to AWE. We have **Worship Kits** located in the Narthex if they would like something to work on. The kits include activities that go along with today’s service. Please remember to return the kits after service. Thank you.

WE LIFT IN PRAYER

All the youth and chaperons who are to head to Asheville, North Carolina for a week of service! We pray to God for safe travels and open hearts willing to serve.