


“And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.”

Ephesians 1: 22-23




2025 TINCAPS OUTING

THURSDAY, JULY 10
Game Time: 7:30 PM
Get Tickets by June 22

MORE INFO
at Take 5 Cart


Get your tickets by taking one of our inserts, filling it out, and turning it into Church office!



Financial Update

FIRST UMC

MAY CONTRIBUTIONS	\$31,487.00
MAY EXPENSES	(\$47,500.00)
BALANCE	(\$16,013.00)
2025 YTD CONTRIBUTIONS	\$233,540.00
2025 YTD EXPENSES	(\$228,105.00)
2025 YTD BALANCE	\$5,436.00



OFFERING BOXES

TITHES/OFFERINGS MAY BE MADE BY DROPPING IT IN ONE OF THE WOODEN BOXES LOCATED AROUND THE SANCTUARY.

DID YOU GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE?



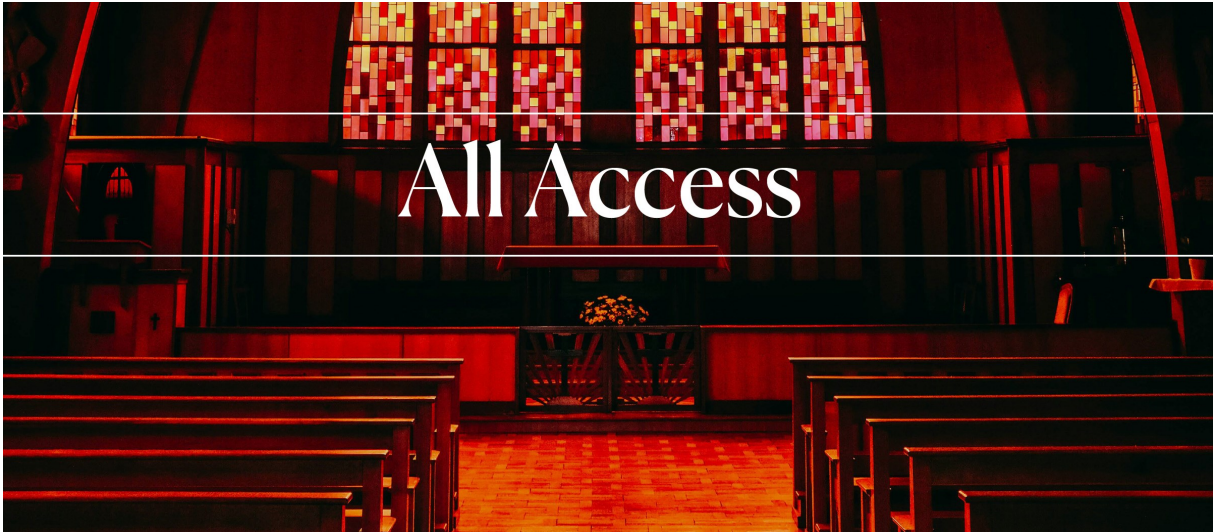
If so, please let the office know ASAP. Email FirstChurch@VanWertFirst.net or Call the office at (419) 238-0631

A Note to Our Church Family:
Summer months can often bring a dip in giving while expenses remain steady. As we strive to meet our financial commitments and continue our ministry, we ask you to prayerfully consider how you can help.
Your faithful support—whether large or small—makes a real difference. Thank you for being part of what God is doing here at First UMC.
“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” —2 Corinthians 9:7
We are truly grateful for all you do to support the life, mission, and ministry of our church.
Thank you for your continued generosity.

Finance Committee

FIRSTunited methodistCHURCH

113 West Central Avenue | Van Wert, Ohio 45891 | 419-238-0631 | vanwertfirst.net



June 15th, 2025

Mission Sunday
Father’s Day

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

+ THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE RISE
PLEASE FILL OUT THE ATTENDANCE PAD AND PASS IT TO YOUR NEIGHBOR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LEAH KRITES

PRELUDE *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* arr. Jerry Ray

LINDA BAUM, PIANO
SCOTT TURNER, ORGAN

+CALL TO WORSHIP:

HAYDEN DOWLER

Leader: God, how majestic is your name! You create, and through creation, we encounter your wisdom and power.

People: How majestic is the name of God, our Creator!

Leader: You redeem, and through Jesus Christ, we encounter your saving love and grace.

People: How majestic is the name of God, our Redeemer!

Leader: You sustain us, and through your Spirit, we encounter your renewing presence.

People: How majestic is the name of God, our Sustainer!

Leader: Come, let us worship the Triune God!

People: We gather to worship God, Three-in-One and One-in-Three!

+HYMN *Come, Though Almighty King* (#61)

MARY ANN FALK

+OPENING PRAYER

ELORA HOGAN

God our Potter, God who becomes clay, God who shapes us in the fire, we are made new in your presence. We come seeking your wisdom, crying out our concerns, needing your peace. Use this time to form us as a community, connected through your breath, life, and hope that propels us as your body in the world. Amen.

LEADERS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

PASTOR: CHRISTIAN TAYLOR

WORSHIP LEADER: JEREMY LAUKHUF

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: SCOTT TURNER

USHER COORDINATOR: NEIL SHAFFER & DAVE LICHTLE, ASSISTANT

PROJECTIONIST: NAOMI WHITE

SOUND ENGINEER: KENT SMELSER

VIDEOGRAPHER: KURT MASSILLO

SCREEN CREATORS: MARY ANN FALK

COMMUNION STEWARDS: NOAH KRITES, KADEN SHAFFER, CONNOR SHAFFER, ASHLYNN SHAFFER, LAUREN GEARHART, AND HAYDEN DOWLER

TESTIMONY: ELLA PRUDEN, MEAH JOHNSON, LILLIE BEST, AND ELIJAH POLLOCK

Crowned with Glory and Honor

SONG

Lord, I need You

JEREMY LAUKHUF

CHAT WITH THE CHILDREN

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

CHRIS GORDON

TESTIMONY

KRISTEN POLLOCK

+SCRIPTURE

Psalm 8

OLIVIA SNYDER

SERIES

All Access

MESSAGE

Crowned with Glory and Honor

PASTOR TAYLOR

MISSION MOMENT

COMMUNION

ASHLEY OSBORN

STEWARDS

NOAH KRITES, KADEN SHAFFER, CONNOR SHAFFER,
ASHLYNN SHAFFER, LAUREN GEARHART, HAYDEN DOWLER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTOR TAYLOR

CONFESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG

Blessed Assurance

(Children return from AWE)

JEREMY LAUKHUF

+SPOKEN BENEDICTION

PASTOR TAYLOR

POSTLUDE

Light of the Living God arr. David Paxton

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.