



## So many ways to do ministry this month!

- ◆ **Operation Christmas Child** boxes are available at each entrance. Instructions are with the box.
- ◆ Our **Annual Advent Festival** will be Sunday, November 28, 1:00-2:30pm.
- ◆ **Angel Tree names** will be available November 14 & 21. The Angel Tree will be in the Narthex.
- ◆ On November 21, Kid's Ministry will have **Workshop of Wonders** during the Sunday School Hour.
- ◆ Advent Devotional Books will be available November 14.

# Never give up!

*Look at the Cloud of Witnesses*

**Pastor Chris Farmer**

**November 7, 2021**

**10:45am**

What's missing?

**YOU!** Join the Chorus for **HANDEL'S MESSIAH!**

**HANDEL'S MESSIAH** REHEARSALS: SUNDAYS 3-5PM NOV. 7, 14, 21, 28, DEC. 5 \*MUSIC BOOKS AVAILABLE FOR USE PERFORMANCE: DEC. 12, 7PM

QUESTIONS? PAUL HOVERMAN 419-513-0123 @ FIRST UNITED METHODIST, VAN WERT A VAN WERT LIVE EVENT POWERED BY THE VAN WERT COUNTY FOUNDATION

Donate a Turkey to bless a family

Bring a 14-18lb. turkey Wednesday (17<sup>th</sup>) or Thursday (18<sup>th</sup>) to donate to a family. We are also in need of pies. Contact Teresa for more information.

*Together we can help families in need have a blessed Thanksgiving! Thank you!*



# WELCOME

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

10:45AM  
NOVEMBER 7, 2021

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Embracing, equipping & empowering persons to evangelize through Jesus.

### CONTACT US

We are so glad you have joined us today! We want you to feel at home here. You can find out what is happening around here on our website: [www.vanwertfirst.net](http://www.vanwertfirst.net) and check out our Facebook Page for inspiration and information.

Of course, we do have a telephone: 419-238-0631

And the post office finds us at 113 W. Central Avenue, Van Wert, OH 45891

### KID'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT 10:45

**Nursery Ministry** (infant to age 2) is located near the Jefferson Street entrance. You may drop your child off at any time during the service. There are also rocking chairs located at the back of the sanctuary for your use.

**AWE** our Alternative Worship Experience is for children, age Kindergarten through grade 5. Children will be dismissed from the service. Children may be picked up at the Scheidt Room (Kindergarten through Grade 5). Preschool Movin & Groovin in Faith (ages 3-5 years) will be upstairs in room 203 and can be picked up there after worship.

### GIVING:

In the wooden boxes around the sanctuary.  
On line @ [vanwertfirst.net](http://vanwertfirst.net)  
Text: 419.963.3557  
Thank you for your faithfulness.

### PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

<b>Lead Pastor</b>	<b>Chris Farmer</b>
<b>Pianist</b>	<b>Scott Turner</b>
<b>Choir Director</b>	<b>Paul Hoverman</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	<b>Lauren Gearhart</b>
<b>Sound Engineer</b>	<b>Ron Allison</b>
<b>Videographer</b>	<b>Kurt Massillo</b>
<b>Projectionist</b>	<b>Grace Dowler</b>
<b>Usher/Greeter Coordinator</b>	<b>Neil Shaffer</b>

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VOLUNTARY** *Adagio Theme from Symphony No. 9*  
Gustav Mahler/arr. Scott Turner

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Grace to you and peace from our God who is, and was, and is to come.

PEOPLE: **Amen**

LEADER: And from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and ruler of kings on earth.

PEOPLE: **Amen**

LEADER: The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints.

PEOPLE: **Amen**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *God of Grace & God of Glory* #577  
Refrain: *Grace Greater than Our Sin* #365

**\*OPENING PRAYER** **God of all holiness, you gave those who have gone before us different gifts on earth but one holy city in heaven. Give us grace to follow their good example, so we may know the joy you have prepared for all who love you, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**\*SCRIPTURE READING** Hebrews 12:1  
**HYMN RESPONSE** *Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above* #709, Vs. 1

**SCRIPTURE READING** Hebrews 12:2,3  
**HYMN RESPONSE** *Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above* #709, Vs. 4

### SPOKEN RESPONSE

**PASTOR** The Word of God, for the people of God

**PEOPLE** **Thanks be to God**

**MESSAGE** Series: *Never Give Up* Pastor Chris  
*Look at the Cloud of Witnesses*

**SONG** *A Great Cloud of Witnesses* Marty Haugen  
Chancel Choir Sheila Chilcote-Collins, Eric Hurlless - cantors

**REMEMBERING OUR CLOUD OF WITNESSES** Al Arnold  
See insert for names

**SONG** *A Great Cloud of Witnesses* Marty Haugen  
Chancel Choir Vs. 2 & 3 Congregation join in on last chorus as printed on insert.

### HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation  
Prayer of Great Thanksgiving  
Distribution of the Elements

**SONG** *Sent Forth by God's Blessings* #664, Vs. 1

### \*BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** *Pentagram 1* David Blackwell