

# 8:15 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 12, 2019

**The Gathering** Please sign the attendance pad located in each pew.

**Worship through Praise**

**Welcome & Announcements** Al Arnold

**Chat with the Children** Susan Mathew

**Worship with Offering** Pastor Chris  
E-giving is now available—see instructions on the back page

**Scripture Lesson** Matthew 19:1-12 Al Arnold

**The Message** **Series: Marriage Traps** Pastor Chris  
**Leaving God Out**

**Prayer Chorus**

**Prayer**

**Song**

**Benediction** Pastor Chris

## Sunday Servants May 12, 2019

Nursery: Greg & Michele Amstutz Welcome Table: Karen Shively & Barb East  
AWE: Ashley Osburn

**Text:** Matthew 19:1-12

God has designed our relationships to be centered on Him

### Symptoms:

- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_ corporate worship.
- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_ of selfishness—"it's all about me."
- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_ to Christian friendships.

### Prescriptions:

- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_ God in.
- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_ your mind with Biblical truth.
- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_ God's ways in small steps.
- ◆ \_\_\_\_\_ your relationship with affirming love.

Immerse	Implement	Invite	Illuminate
Inconsistent	Indifference	Infestation	

# 10:45 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## Welcome & Moments of Sharing

**Voluntary** Give Thanks arr. F. Bock

We invite you to take this time to pray and prepare your heart and mind for worship.

## Lighting of Altar Candles

### Choral Introit

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **We give thanks to our God every time we remember those who have given birth to our faith, hope, and love.**

Leader: Let's offer our praise and thanksgiving in song.

## WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE

**\*Hymn** Faith of Our Mothers See Screens  
Sung to the tune of Father of our Fathers, #710

**Opening Prayer: Loving God, we offer our thanks and praise for the wonders of your love given and received by loving parents. All life comes from you and this life is nurtured through others. You have formed us in your image and have gathered us as a brood under your wing. You remind us that we are part of the human family, though broken and scarred by sin. We thank you for all those women who have 'mothered' us with patience in discipline, courage in difficulties, wisdom through life lessons, and hope knowing that the best is yet to come. May they all be strengthened by your Holy Spirit and respected for their enduring love. Some of us are troubled by broken, grievous hearts, betrayed relationships and hopes delayed. In your kindness, would you send your healing Spirit to those who grieve? During the course of our worship equip our imaginations with fresh ways to embrace others with your love and mercy. Amen.**

## WORSHIP WITH GENEROSITY

Giving and Receiving of our Tithes and Offerings

E-giving is now available - see instructions on the back page.

**Offertory** What a Friend We Have in Jesus arr. C. Converse #94

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

## WORSHIP WITH THE WORD

**Chancel Choir** Saints Bound for Heaven H. Helvey

**\*Scripture** Matthew 19:1-12

**Message** **Series: Marriage Traps** Pastor Chris  
**Leaving God Out**  
See notes on page 1

## WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER

**Prayer Chorus** The Gift of Love #408, v. 3  
Concerns & Prayers of the People  
Pastoral Prayer  
The Lord's Prayer

## WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONSE

**\*Hymn** For the Beauty of the Earth #92, v. 1-4

**\*His Light into the World**

**\*Choral Benediction**

**\*Postlude** Allegro in C# Major J. S. Bach

**\*Indicates an Invitation to Stand**

### Participants in today's worship

Liturgist: Dillon Staas	Nursery: Christie Wendel
Organist: Scott Turner	2-5's: Sierra & Brianna
Choir Director: Paul Hoverman	Welcome Table: Warren & Rhea Foy
Acolytes: Griffin McCracken & Logan Taylor	

**FUMC PRAYER CONCERNS** Lillian Mae Massillo (daughter of Connor Massillo & Ellie Norton) - premature birth, Jean Ann Auld - shingles, Sydney Dowler - leg surgery, Adrienne Mcgee Sterrett (niece of Mendenhalls) - health, Jason Hoffman - health, Bella Hurless - rehab, Linda Jeknovorian - health, Clark King - heart.  
Please see the long term prayer list in the Friendly Visitor for other prayer needs or check the website under the pull down menu "newsletters" @www.vanwertfirst.net.

**Military:** Caleb Kreisler, Evan Wells, Bryan Zinsmaster, Connor Gordon, Noah Sease, Nick Gutierrez, Ben Scheidt, Gerald Christobaker, Geff Gehrlach.

**Missionaries & Ministries:** Stephen Ministry, Stand for Truth Ministry, Jeanne & Gaston Ntambo, Mission of Hope - Haiti.

The Altar flowers are in honor of  
**Eloise Wilson**  
 Given by her Family

**Graduation Luncheon**  
**May 19, 2019**

Help us celebrate our graduates during a congregational luncheon after the 10:45 service!



May 18th 9am to 12pm  
 clean & green Downtown Van Wert.

*This is a great opportunity to better the community and earn service hours for school, clubs and churches.*

Please contact Teresa Shaffer at 419/238-0631 ext 307, email: [tshaffer@wcoil.com](mailto:tshaffer@wcoil.com) or call/text 419/203-1538.



- ✓ May is Personal Hygiene month for the food pantry – soap, toothpaste, deodorant, razors, shampoo, etc.
- ✓ VBS is coming in June! June 17-20 – volunteers needed. Contact Teresa if you can help!
- ✓ Check out the Library! New books are added each month. Christian fiction, Bible Study aids and more are available.
- ✓ Special Offering for May is Blanket Sunday. These blankets are shipped in the US and world wide to help those in need. Take a look at <https://cwsblankets.org/> for more information.
- ✓ Fifth Sunday Service and Lunch is June 30, 2019. One Service!

What's Happening THIS WEEK		
Come Join Us!		
Sunday, 5/12	8:15am 9:15– 10:30am 9:30am 10:45am 6-7:30pm	Blended Worship Coffee & Donuts - Krout Sunday School Traditional Worship Boy Choir Rehearsal
Monday, 5/13	1-3:00pm 6:00pm	Food Pantry Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts
Tuesday, 5/14	8:30am 10:30am Noon 6:00pm 6:30pm	Staff Meeting Prayer Group Lydia Group Preschool Board Mtg Stephen Ministry
Wednesday, 5/15	8:00am 1-3:00pm 4:00pm 6:30pm  6:30pm 7:30pm	Men's Bible Study Food Pantry Women of the Word Lifetree Café - Low Cost, No Cost Adventures Handbells Choir Practice
Thursday, 5/16	8:00am 9-11:00am 7:00pm 6:30pm	Clay Pots Cross Over The Hill Finance Committee Praise Band
Friday, 5/17	6:00pm	Bread N Bowl
Saturday, 5/18	9—Noon  7:00pm	Clean & Green Downtown Van Wert Our Favorite Things Concert featuring Scott Turner, Mary Ann Falk and others

**Electronic Giving** is now available at First UMC! You now have a variety of ways to contribute to the ministry of FUMC.

1. **Go to our website** [www.vanwertfirst.net](http://www.vanwertfirst.net) and click on the eGiving—Vanco menu. Full instructions follow.
2. **Download the GivePlus Church app** for free from the App Store or Google Play.
3. **Text us a donation:** Text: 419-963-3557, enter the amount you wish to give in the message, send, and follow the instructions.
4. Of course, the envelope & cash/check system is always available.
5. Any questions, please see Jana in the office. All methods are safe and secure.

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*Marriage Traps...*

## Leaving God Out

Pastor Chris Farmer

**Our Vision Statement:**

**Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus.**

**Our Mission Statement:**

**Embracing, equipping and empowering persons to evangelize 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.