

8:15 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 24, 2019

The Gathering

Please sign the attendance pad located in each pew.

Welcome & Announcements

Matt Krites

*Call to Worship

Leader: How beautiful it is to sing praises to our God.

People: We love to announce God's love at daybreak. We enjoy singing about God's faithful presence all through the night.

*Worship through Praise

Chat with the Children

Anita Zuber

AWE children dismissed, Preschool—5th grade

Recognition of Certified Lay Speaker

Pastor Chris & Nancy Replogle

Worship with Offering

Demond Johnson

*Scripture Lesson

Psalm 103

Matt Krites

The Message

A Heart for Blessing

Pastor Chris

Consecration of Ministry Commitments

Pastor Chris

During our singing, worshippers are invited to bring their faith pledges to the altar as an expression of their willingness to Equip and Empower the Enlargement of the Circle of Disciples of Jesus Christ.

Closing Song

Prayer of Consecration

Most merciful and gracious God, from whose bounty we have received blessing upon blessing. Accept these pledges of faith. Remember that we love you and we love sharing what you have given to us. By Your Holy Spirit make us into mature followers of Christ. Send your Holy Spirit upon us that we may enlarge the circle of disciples of Jesus the Savior and Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Praise Team Leader: Wayne Wells

Nursery: TBA Welcome Table: Dave Thomas

FUMC PRAYER CONCERNS Dalton Ellerbrock—heart, Hurlless Twins - broken bones, Linda Jeknavorian - hospital, Annabel Holland - broken hip, Freda Culler - surgery recovery, Karen Smith - health, Kent DuCheney - cancer, Aiden Ellerbrock - rehab, Paula Goins - MS, Lois Haller - cancer

Please see the long term prayer list in the Friendly Visitor for other prayer needs or check the website under the drop down menu "newsletters" @www.vanwertfirst.net.

Military: Caleb Kreischer, Evan Wells, Bryan Zinsmaster, Conner Gordon, Noah Sease, Nick Gutierrez, Ben Scheidt, Gerald Christobaker, Ethan Glass, Michael Hellman, Greg Henry

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

10:45 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Voluntary

Jubilant Passacaglia

C. L. Mizell

Youth hand chimes, handbells, choir, organ

Lighting of Altar Candles

*Opening Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

#92

Vs. 1, 2, 4, 6

*Call to Worship

Leader: What a beautiful thing it is to sing praises to our God.

People: We love to announce God's love at daybreak. We enjoy singing about God's faithful presence all through the night.

Leader: How wonderful it is to sing with the accompaniment of bells and melodious sounds of pipes.

People: God makes us so full of joy in witnessing the work of His hands. We shout: 'Glory be to You, O God!'

Leader: Our God makes us strong like the ox that plows the field. He anoints us with the oil of His Spirit.

People: God, help us to flourish like the palm trees and to grow strong like the mighty oaks. May we bear fruit through our years. (Inspired by Psalm 92)

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WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISE

*Hymn

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

#694, Vs. 1,2

*Responsive Prayer

All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. You created all that is, and with love formed us in your image. When our love withered your love remained. Thank you for your Son, Jesus, the Savior of all. All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you. And so, with thankfulness for all your gifts, we offer you ourselves, and all that we have, as we share in Christ's offering for us. By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other and one in service to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Giving and Receiving of our Tithes and Offerings

AWE children dismissed, Kindergarten and up

Offertory

Praise to the Lord

D. Freudenburg

*Offertory Response

Give Thanks

Words on Screen

*Prayer of Dedication

Demond Johnson

WORSHIP WITH THE WORD

*Scripture

Psalm 103

Message

A Heart for Blessing

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WORSHIP THROUGH CONSECRATION

Consecration of Ministry Commitments

Chancel Choir

Bless This House

arr. J. Martin

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WORSHIP THROUGH RESPONSE

*Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

#102

*Benediction

Pastor Chris

Postlude

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

H. Purcell

*Indicates an Invitation to Stand

Participants in 10:45 worship

Lead Pastor:

Chris Farmer

Dir of Student & Adult Ministry:

Demond Johnson

Liturgist:

Dillon Staas IV

Organist & Handbell Director:

Gloria Wendel

Choir Director:

Paul Hoverman

Acolytes:

Ashlynn Shaffer, Ansley Schwab

Sound Engineer:

Ron Allison

Welcome Table:

Ruth Ann & Bruce Dowler

Nursery:

Brianna Bebout & Ryleigh Hanicq

2-3 year olds:

Traci Carter



Order forms at Central Street door & the Welcome Center

ORDERS ARE DUE TODAY

It's Poinsettia time!

6.5" @\$10⁰⁰ EACH
WHITE RED
JINGLE BELL
(red/white combo)

8.5" @\$17⁰⁰ EACH
WHITE RED
JINGLE BELL
(red/white combo)

Flowers will be available for pick up after the 10pm Christmas Eve service.

ORDERS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 24TH



Advent

Church family meal & celebration
CATERED MEAL, CHRISTMAS CAROLS,
STORY & CRAFTS FOR ALL AGES


Great Church
Family Fellowship

Sunday, December 1 5-7pm




Advent devotion books are located at each entrance.

Feel free to take one for you and a friend.



*This is the first Christmas without dad...
We just...fell out of love...
I can't find work...
Some days I can't bear the pain...*

**Hope Rekindled
Christmas Service** December 19 7pm




Angels are available in the narthex (Central Street door). Pick yours up today!

What's Happening THIS WEEK

Come Join Us!



Sunday, 11/24	8:15am 9:30am 9:15-10:30am 10:45am Noon 5:00 - 7:00pm	Worship Sunday School for all ages Coffee & Donuts - Krout Worship Christmas Musical Practice Youth Group
Monday, 11/25	1-3:00pm 6:00pm 7:00pm	Food Pantry Cub Scouts Boy Scouts
Tuesday, 11/26	8:30am 10:30am 6:00pm 6:30pm	Staff Meeting Prayer Group Embrace Membership Class Stephen Ministry
Wednesday, 11/27	8:00am 9:00am 1-3:00pm 4:00pm 5:30pm 5:30pm 7:00pm	Men's Bible Study Cross Over the Hill - Synergy Food Pantry Women In the Word Christmas Musical Practice Seekers Group Chancel Choir This week only
Thursday, 11/28	Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed	
Friday, 11/29	Noon-12:45pm 6:00pm	<i>Fridays @ First</i> - Meditation & Organ Music - Sanctuary Bread N Bowl Office Closed

Thank you

To all the Wednesday FEAST people who donated their time, talents and baked goods.

We couldn't do it without you!

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November 24, 2019
Consecration Sunday
A Heart for Blessing



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, **we welcome you and look forward to seeing you again!**

Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.