

JANUARY 28, 2024

4TH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

10:00 AM: WORSHIP SERVICE & GOD'S BIG HOUSE (PRE-K - 5TH GRADE)

11:10 AM: ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL (CONFERENCE ROOM)

*To parents of young children: Relax! God put the wiggles in children; don't feel you have to suppress those wiggles in God's house. Consider sitting toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to engage. Explain parts of the service and actions of the pastor, musicians, and leaders. Sing the songs, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn behavior by mimicking you. If you have to leave the Sanctuary with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. You and your child are a blessing to the church and this congregation. After the Children's Moments, children are welcomed and encouraged to stay and be part of the service or if you choose they can attend God's Big House (Ages: K-5th Grade upstairs with Mr. Andrew and our volunteers) or the Nursery (Ages: New-born to Pre-K on the main level with Ms. Sarah and our volunteers). As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."*

\*Congregation is invited to stand, if able.

#### GATHERING MUSIC

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*SONGS OF PRAISE: GRATITUDE  
TRUST IN GOD

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: COME TO WORSHIP THIS DAY. BRING WITH YOU ALL YOUR JOYS AND SORROWS.

P: JESUS WILL OFFER HOPE.

L: COME TO WORSHIP THIS DAY BELIEVING IN THE POWER OF GOD THROUGH  
JESUS CHRIST.

P: JESUS WILL BRING US HEALING.

L: COME TO WORSHIP THIS DAY FEELING THE PRESENCE OF GOD.

P: JESUS WILL TEACH US NEW WAYS TO LIVE. AMEN

#### OPENING PRAYER (IN UNISON)

*Open our hearts and spirits this day to hear the great good news of your power and presence with all your people. Fill our hearts with rejoicing as the words are proclaimed in song and story. Enliven us and remind us that you are with us, through the pillar of fire, through the magnificent words of the prophets, through the ministry and love of Jesus Christ. Amen.*

#### CHORAL ANTHEM

CROSSROADS UMC CHOIR

#### A TIME FOR CHILDREN WITH DIANE VARNUM

This, this is where children belong.  
Welcomed as part of our worship and song.  
Hearing God's Word, sharing love all along.  
This is where children belong.

\*A SONG OF PREPARATION: MAGESTY, WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY  
UMH 176 (2 TIMES)

SCRIPTURE: MARK 1:21-28 (NRSV)

This Is the Word of God. Do you believe It?  
**Yes, we believe It.**

MESSAGE : BECOMING THE PEOPLE OF GOD:

AMONG YOUR OWN PEOPLE

REV. DUSTIN MCCUNE

#### A TIME OF PRAYER

#### A TIME OF GIVING

#### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all  
creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*A SONG OF INVITATION: YOU ARE MY ALL IN ALL TFWS 3040

#### \*CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTIONAL SONG: THE BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you  
Make His face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.  
The Lord turn His face toward you  
and give you peace. Amen.

#### \*BENEDICTIONAL PRAYER

#### POSTLUDE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Thank you** to our hosts/hostesses for Coffee in the Conference Room.

January: 28 Sue Dostal, Josh Taylor, Sandy Blank

*If anyone would like to volunteer, please contact the church office.*

**Sunday School:** immediately after the 10:00 service in the conference room. Join Debbie Wallin as she leads a new video series on 1 Thessalonians by Ben Stuart.

**Wednesday Dinner Main Dish:**

January 31: Fried Chicken compliments of Bill N.

**Wednesday Bible Study:** Join us at 6:30 pm as John Massey leads us on a study of the Holy Land.

**Church Council Retreat:** Saturday, February 3, 10 am—1 pm.

**Collecting:** During the month of January we are collecting blankets, coats, hats, gloves, mittens and scarves for the Huntington City Mission.

**Confirmation Classes** are beginning soon.

**Pecans:** We still have pecans for sale! See Mike Ballard to get yours today.

**Loose Change Ministry:** Beginning next week, the Wednesday Night Kids are collecting loose change to raise money for their projects which this year include the animal shelter. Please bring your loose change and support the WNK. One of the kids will be at the door after service to receive your change.

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