

On the Square, Steeped in Prayer!

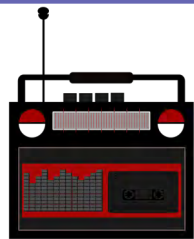
Prayer List: Debbie Barnes, Sandy Blanchard, Gail Brown, Tom Brck, John Buchanan, Donna Cain, Laura Carmona, Joanne Carter, Ray Childs, Chase Collins, Guy DelPrince, Sharon Derryberry, Lois Ditata, Allan Doener, Brett Dolan, Grieg Farren, Becky Finnick, Ann Graham, Aurora Harless, Sherrie Harless, Roger Haynes & Sandy Cobb, Phyllis Haehn, Karen Hersman, Tessa Hewitt, Sylvia Hill, Joe Hada, Jo Hudson, James Huff, Kevin Huff, Thomas Jarvis, Jr., Jim Johns, Albert Jones, Debbie Kivela, Debbie Kolesar, Bob Krause, Brian Mather, Damien McCormack, Kay Merchant, Jane Morse, Addie Munk, Barb Nichols, Fran Nicholson, Sue Ocasio, Patty Penca, Bill Porterfield, Erin Potter, Cathy Powell, Jackson Prochet, Bob R., Paul Radcliffe, Sharon "Shari" Regal, Phil Rossiter, John & Mary Ann Sanders, Katie Schaumburg, Jeremy Searson, Rhett Stechley, Robin Szacaks, Rudy, Sarah Studio, Diane Troyer, Betty & Stanley Updike, Ken Voegtler, Mary Ellen Weaver, Mark Wise, Joy Wootton, and Barbara Zimmerman.

Continued prayers for people who are living with conflict and safety concerns. We pray for those suffering from addiction, illness, chronic pain, mental health concerns, and for care-givers who see their loved ones struggle. We pray for those who are homeless, shut in, or face food insecurity. Prayers for our brothers and sisters in roles of public service, the first responders, and military who work diligently to keep us safe, and those who help with recovery efforts after natural disasters. We pray for our active military, including Navy Sailor Jakob Kealoha; Brant Garn, Audrey Berndt, and Pearl Austin's grandson's fiancée. We pray for those who are working in the mission field, and for Ryan Walker, helping to rebuild hurricane-damaged homes in Florida.

Prayers for those who have lost loved ones, including the family of Mary Lou Crouser, who passed away last week, and for Craig, who lost his 13 year old son. Prayers for Julie West in the loss of her dear friend Christine.

Do you have a new prayer request or need to share an update? Please contact the church office at admin@pumconline.org.

Announcements!



Would you like to sponsor our radio broadcast? We're live on WKKY every Sunday at 10am—but that costs us \$200 to do each week. Did you know that you can help cover these costs and do so by selecting a special date in honor or memory of a friend or loved one? Sign up in the Circle Room in the signup binder — or, contact Maria in the Church Office for available dates. Also available: contribute in part or as a group! However you support our ministry, we appreciate you! Thank you!

The United Women in Faith invite all ladies in the church to attend a spring tea in the Circle Room on Saturday, May 11th, at 1:30pm. Please contact the church office to sign up or reach out to Joyce Flood or Barb Alban with any questions. Welcome!



Did you know that Painesville United Methodist Church has an online giving option if you prefer to use a card rather than checks or cash? Our QR code will take you to the site—or visit us at www.pumconline.org and select the e-giving page!

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**WELCOME!
HE IS RISEN!
CELEBRATING THE 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER!**



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Sound amplification devices are available at the Sound Booth at the back of the Sanctuary.

Pastor Jim Winkler | Organ/Piano: Bob & Mary Brown
 May 5, 2024 | Head Ushers: 8:30am Cathy George 10am Mary Salchow Greeters 8:30am: Les & Marilou Walbeck
 CCLI License #192345 | Liturgists: 8:30am Barb McCormack 10am Steve Yachanin Greeters 10am: Don & Beverly Baines
 Streaming #22121236 | Soundbooth Team: 8:30 Mike Williams/Bob Hearn; 10am Mike Williams/Aaron Haehn/Karen Dennis

Welcome and Announcements *please stand as you are able

Prelude “Adagio” (Op. 120, #1:II) (piano & organ) Brahms

Centering Words (Psalm 46:10-11)
 “Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.” The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress!

***Call to Worship**

Leader: In your Hoping,	People: know that I am God.
Leader: In your Believing,	People: know that I am God.
Leader: In your Trusting,	People: know that I am God.
Leader: In your Rejoicing,	People: know that I am God.
Leader: In your Serving,	People: know that I am God.
Leader: In your Relationships,	People: know that I am God.
Leader: In your Remembering,	People: know that I am God.
Leader: In your Going Forward,	People: know that I am God.

***Hymn of Praise** “And Are We Yet Alive” UMH #553

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Children’s Time Rev. Jerry Kalb

Service of Baptism Brody Angelo Fatica Rev. Kalb & Rev. Winkler

Prayer Requests Pastoral Prayer The Lord’s Prayer

The Gift of Music (8:30am) “May Breezes” (Op. 62, #1) (piano) Mendelssohn

Chancel Choir (10am) “On Faith Alone” Arr. Fettke

Scripture Lesson Acts 15:1-21 NRSV

Message “The Jerusalem Conference” Pastor Jim Winkler

The work of the United Methodist General Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, is done. We sometimes wonder about these conferences, which often can be contentious as important issues are presented, discussed, and decided. But there is precedence in the Bible! Acts 15 tells the story of The Council at Jerusalem where there was “no small dissension and debate” about whether new Gentile converts had to follow the custom of Moses in keeping the law. The apostles and elders met together to consider the matter. When it was resolved, a letter to Gentile believers was composed and the matter was resolved.

Reception of New Members

Offertory “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (organ) arr. Wilson

***The New Doxology** TFWS #2251, verse 3

***Prayer of Dedication**

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Today’s Program—Continued

***Song of Inspiration** “Shine, Jesus, Shine” TFWS #2173

***Benediction**
 May Almighty God, the Giver of every good and perfect gift, bless and keep you forever. May God’s unwavering grace be for each of us a very present help, now and always. Amen.

Postlude “March” (Algerian Suite) (Organ) Saint-Saens

We invite you to join us in fellowship and have a cup of coffee in the Circle Room after worship!

Food Pantry item of the week

This week’s item of the week is
 1-lb boxes of spaghetti, rotini, or shell pasta.

Your donations of non-perishable canned or boxed food items can be dropped off in the collection bins in our Mission Hallway, off of the Circle Room.
 Thank you for sharing with those in need!

April 28th Attendance:

Worship 8:30am: 31
 Worship 10am: 123
 10am YouTube: 81

April 28th Offerings

Total: \$ 5983.61
 Operating: \$ 4283.62
 Building Fund \$ 807.24
 Food Pantry \$ 195.00
 Other Giving: \$ 697.75

Thank you!



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Friends of the Week:



Joy Wooton & Jim Morse

Cards for our Friends of the Week are available for you to sign in the Circle Room!

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are presented by Gene & Joyce Flood in honor of their 55th wedding anniversary! Happy Anniversary!



The altar rose is presented by Cindy Golitko in memory of her husband.

Happy Birthday!

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May 9—Jocolyn Colon
 May 11—Ruth Gilmore
 May 11—Debbie Mezzapelle

Have a blessed day!

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A Video Message from Bishop Tracy S. Malone at General Conference of the United Methodist Church April 23 – May 3, 2024



Greetings East Ohio Conference. I am here at the General Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina. There is a beautiful spirit here in this place as delegates from across the world-wide United Methodist Church gather to do the work of holy conferencing.

Today was a historic day here at General Conference. Delegates passed legislation that will remove restrictive language from the Book of Discipline that marginalizes our LGBTQIA+ siblings in language that has been there since 1972. Their decision will pave the way for the full welcome and inclusion of our LGBTQIA+ siblings in the total life of the church.

This afternoon the delegates completed the work of the regionalization legislation which allows for the United Methodist Church to remain connected as a world-wide church but also allows for each region of the United Methodist Church to contextualize their ministry.

The Conference continues and the delegation continues to do their work and they will conclude their work on Friday. Upon the completion of the General Conference there will be more information that will be shared with you and there will be opportunities for you to learn more about how what has happened here at the General Conference impacts your life at the local church and in the Annual Conference.

We know that you will have questions and we will be providing an opportunity for you to be able to ask those questions. I will be working with our delegation from the East Ohio Conference to organize the time and space to give you the opportunity to ask those questions.

So yes there are some changes that are coming our way as we move into and live the next expression of the United Methodist Church. But here's what I need you to know: what has not changed, and what will never change, is what our mission is as a church – our mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. What will not change is each of our calls to be disciples, to make disciples, to mature disciples of Jesus Christ, to be agents of God filling the hope of transformation in our communities and throughout the world and our call to continue to reach new people, and younger people, and more diverse people with the love and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

So I am inviting you to breathe, take a deep breath, let us continue to trust God for what God is doing. Let us continue to trust God for what God will do through each and every one of us and in and through the church. And let us trust God for that which is yet to come.

To God be the glory because we have this promise in God's Word: "Do not fear. Do not lean on your own understanding. In all of your ways acknowledge me and I will direct your paths."

1. ***I Think You Are Wrong (But I'm Listening)***: A Guide to Grace-Filled Political Conversations, by Beth A. Silvers and Sarah Stewart Holland

2. Holy Conferencing – The Council at Jerusalem, Acts 15

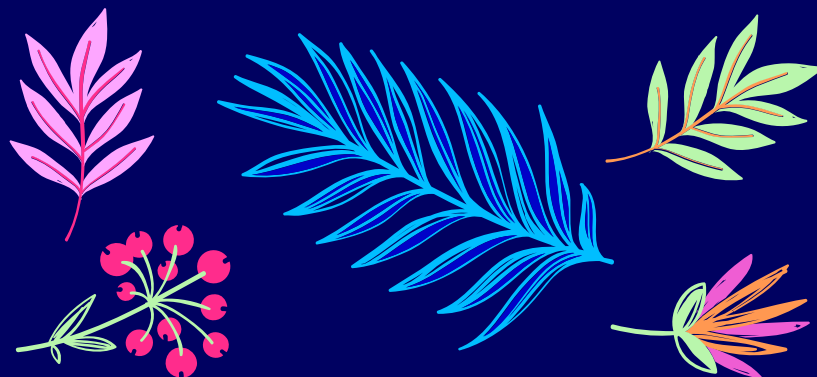
3. ***Holy or Christian Conferencing*** is a practice John Wesley included, along with prayer, Scripture reading, fasting and the Lord's Supper as a way of experiencing God's grace. The roots are biblical. Leaders assert that every Christian should practice it, within and beyond the walls of the church. Holy Conferencing does not focus on winning and losing. It focuses on discerning where God is leading us. It focuses on prayer, rational and respectful conversation, and a belief that with God, all things are possible. Bishop Sally Dyck, who led the working group that refined the guidelines, credited the denominations young people for bringing the issue to the forefront. "Their example is a lesson for the whole church. We can do things differently, respectfully, and with God in the forefront."

1. Every person is a child of God.
2. Listen before speaking.
3. Strive to understand from another's point of view.
4. Strive to reflect accurately the views of others.
5. Disagree without being disagreeable.
6. Speak about issues; do not defame people.
7. Pray, in silence or aloud, before decisions.
8. Let prayer interrupt your busy-ness.

"In our culture today, there's so much divisiveness that it's really important to call ourselves to the means of grace ... People, particularly in the United States, understand how uncivil conversation and discussion have become. People desire something different. In general society, there's fair amount of conversation about civil discourse. As Christians, we have a number of Scripture passages and admonitions in terms of how we treat one another."

(Bishop Sally Dyck, most recently bishop of the Chicago Area of the UMC)

Please join us for:
**“Open Hearts; Open Minds; Open Doors:
A Day of Community & Connection”**



- **Sunday, June 2nd** •
 - **10am Worship** • **11:15am Lunch** • **12pm Program**
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All-Church Hospitality Program
featuring Will Fenton-Jones, Multi-cultural
Ministries Director, East Ohio Conference

Located in
Painesville United Methodist Church
Sanctuary & Parsons Hall

Free T-shirt! • Free Lunch!

*Due to this event there will be no 8:30am service on June 2nd. We ask that you please join us from 10am-2pm on June 2nd as our staff, volunteers, and guest speakers share some programs and updates for the Painesville United Methodist Church!

Your RSVP by May 26th is appreciated. THANK YOU!