

MORE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING?

BBQ, Bids & Kids: Saddle up to support foster children! Come and join us for the 2025 Fostering the Future Auction on May 3, 2025, at the Strongsville Recreation Center. Enjoy finger-lickin' BBQ, wrangle up some amazing auction items, and help change the future for foster kids in Northeast Ohio. How you can help: Donate a basket – Round up a themed auction item to support the cause. Place a business ad – Show your support while reaching a great crowd. Join the fun – Come ready to bid and make a difference! Tickets go on sale April 1. Don't worry, we have childcare covered on site for the evening. Let us know if you need childcare so we can make sure we have enough volunteers and food. Every dollar raised helps provide mentorship, education, and opportunities for foster youth. Let's ride together and make a lasting impact! Ready to giddy up and give? Contact Paige Pierce (ppierce90@gmail.com) or Barb Diver (gbdiverjr@cox.net) today!

Online Giving:



The Holy Grounds Café is being hosted today by **the Pelley and Zatezalo families**. If you would like to take a turn serving in the café, you can sign up [here](#) or contact Krissi Swab at kswab10@aim.com.

WAYS TO CONNECT

Ministry Opportunities

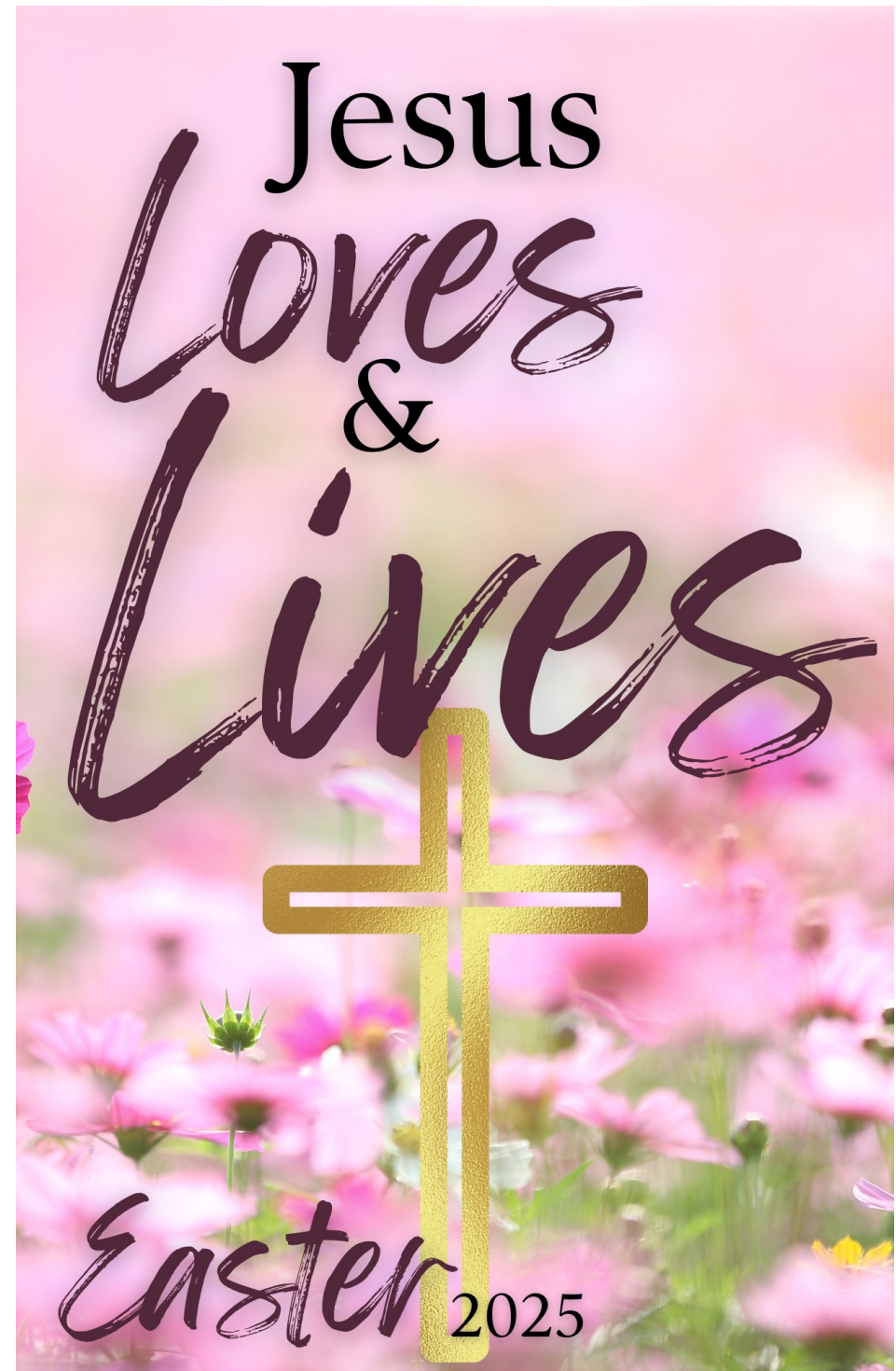
Let us know how you'd like to get involved! Be sure to fill out the contact information and drop this form in the offering plate.

____ **Sunday Prayer Team:** I want to join the team that prays over our services while we worship.

____ **Blessing the Animals:** I am interested in being on the committee to help plan this event.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____



TODAY'S SERVICE

April 20, 2025

Today's Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Message: "Jesus Lives and Loves"

Rev. Abby Auman

In the Hospital:

In Hospice Care:

At Home: Len Bogacki, Barb Bennett, Kevin Joniak

While we worship, a team of prayer warriors is lifting up every person in the congregation as well as the needs, concerns and joys of the church.

SERMON NOTES

HOW TO CONNECT

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WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Can't make it in to church? Livestream this service on Facebook or YouTube.

Piano Dedication: Join us April 27 at 3 pm for a piano concert with special performer William Shaffer. Admission is free and a love offering will be taken.

Garden beds: We have some beds available in the church garden once again this year, and are hoping some of the congregation will make use of the space to grow vegetables or flowers in a deer free environment with water easily available! Please contact Debbie Smith at scrolledit@gmail.com or 440-525-4356 if you are interested.

Landscape Fundraiser: A portion of all mulch, soil and compost sale at Kurtz Brothers using promo code "UMC" will be given to our Family Needs Fund. For more information, see the flyers available in the atrium.

Pill Bottle Collection: The Companions Class is collecting empty pill bottles that will be sent overseas to countries who have medicines, but need containers to distribute them. Wash, remove labels, and bring to the basket in the Manna Room.

Habitat for Humanity Wall Build: Come out June 21 to our exciting event building walls for a Habitat home right here in the SUMC parking lot! Find more information and sign up here: crossroadsmissions.breezechms.com/form/strongsvilleumc25.

Bicycle Donations: Pastor Matt and Harbor & Bridge Community Center are always looking for donations of bikes and helmets of all sizes. The bikes are cleaned up and repaired and used by community members as a means of transportation. Every donation makes a difference! Bikes and helmets can be left in the SUMC pavilion for pick up.

NEW VISITOR?

Welcome to worship! Nursery care and Sunday school (through High School) as well as a sensory friendly classroom, is downstairs for those families who wish to use them.

Contact me about:

- ☐ A Discovery Class, where I can learn more about SUMC
- ☐ Children/Youth Ministries
- ☐ Small Group Opportunities
- ☐ Other _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____