

## MORE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Call for Volunteers: Join our Vacation Bible School team as we present "True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" for the children this summer. A large team is needed July 7-11 in a number of roles to make this week a success. If you can offer a helping hand, contact Ms. Leanne today at [LeanneG@strongsvilleumc.org](mailto:LeanneG@strongsvilleumc.org). Thank you!

Prayer Garden: During the warmer months, consider strolling the winding paths of our prayer garden when you crave time with God in nature. Small groups and ministry leaders can schedule their meetings around all the picnic tables, too! The prayer garden was established for all to enjoy, so check it out today!

Online Giving:



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

The Holy Grounds Café is being hosted today by **the Shield of Faith ministry**. 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](mailto:kswab10@aim.com).

## WAYS TO CONNECT

### Ministry Opportunities

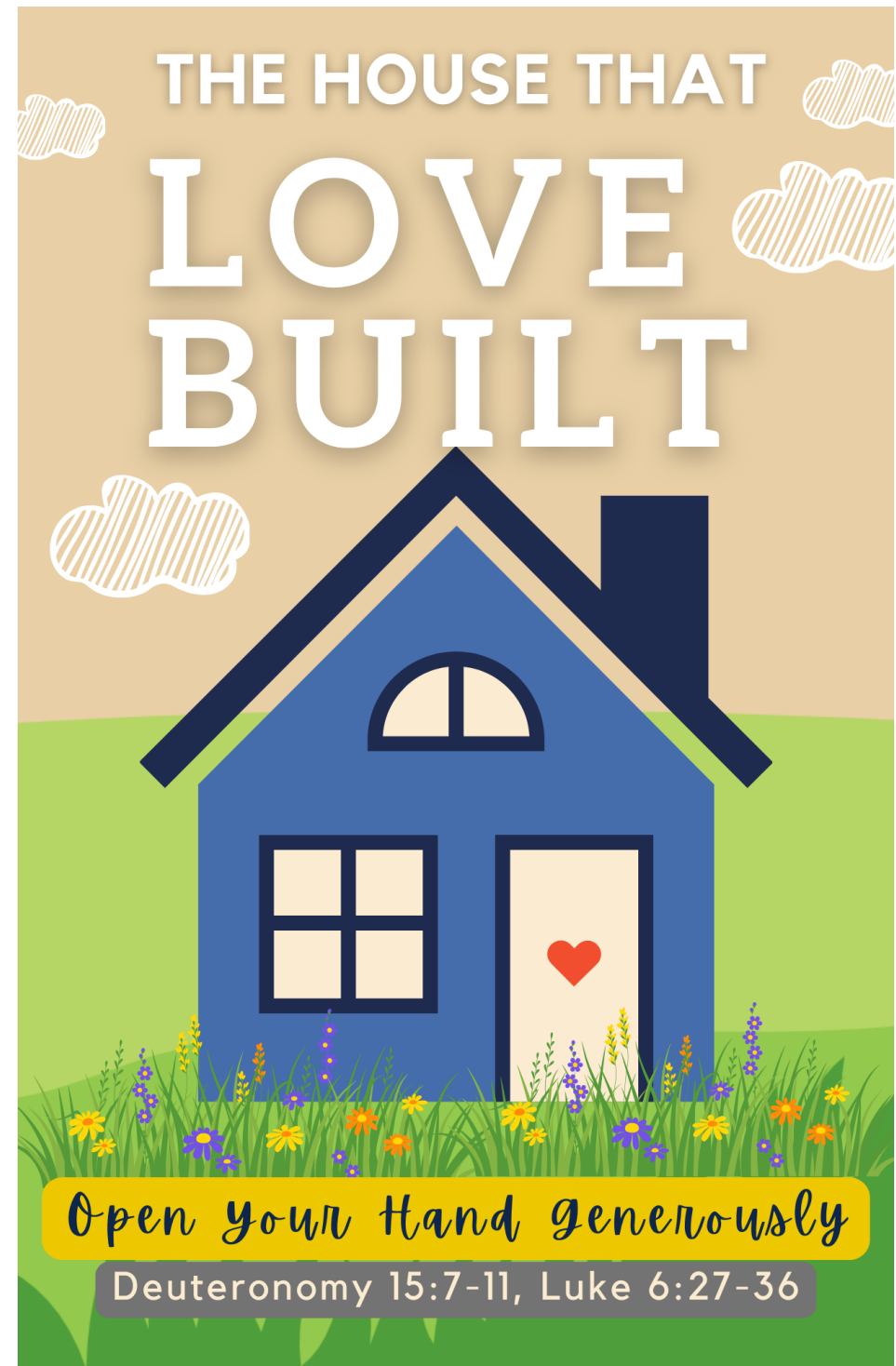
Let us know how you'd like to get involved! Be sure to fill out the contact information and drop this form in the offering plate.

\_\_\_\_ **Custodial Team:** I can help rearrange chairs before/after special events.

\_\_\_\_ **Serving Communion:** I would like to help serve the Lord's Supper

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



## TODAY'S SERVICE

May 4, 2025

Today's Scriptures: Deuteronomy 15:7-11, Luke 6:27-36

Message: "The House that Love Built: Open Your Hand Generously"

Rev. Abby Auman

**In the Hospital:** Sandie Wojnowski, Metro; Brad Wilkison, Cleveland Clinic

**In Hospice Care:**

**Recently At Home:**

Prayers and sympathy of the church are extended to Vicki White upon the passing of her husband, Steve White, on April 26.

The rosebud on the altar celebrates the birth of Dean on April 22. Proud grandfather is T. Thompson.

Receiving the sacrament of baptism at the 11:05 service today is Aubree Stella Nelson, daughter of Brandon & Tina (Stawicki) Nelson. Receiving the sacrament of baptism at the confirmation service today is Madeline Walker, daughter of Dan & Laurie Walker.

## SERMON NOTES

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## HOW TO CONNECT

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

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

**Confirmation Service:** Join us today at 4 pm as we celebrate and welcome our 2025 class of confirmands: **Robert Gibson, Madden Glover, Ava Jacko, Addison Kinch, Josephine Postma, Madeline Walker and Dawson Whisenhunt.**

**May Missions Collection:** This month the missions committee will be collecting supplies to assemble and donate 100 personal dignity kits at Annual Conference. To contribute, please mark what you will donate on the sign up sheet: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044FABAC2BA0FA7-56596458-annual>.

**UMCOR Coffee:** Our last sale of Equal Exchange products for the season will be held May 11 after all services in the atrium. Your purchases support small farmers and the Strongsville United Methodist's mission program. Buy something special for Mother's Day! This is the last sale until September so stock up for the summer.

**Diaper Drive:** The Missions Committee is hosting a diaper drive on Mother's Day benefiting both Trials for Hope and US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants. Bring your donations next week, May 11, to support the cause!

**Book Discussion Group:** Everyone is invited. Come as often as you can. Third Thursday of each month at 10 am. Our May 16 book pick is Little Detours by Regina Brett.

**The Emmanuel Promise:** This 6 week study brings together scripture and practice as participants learn and experience the attachment love of God. The groups meets Tuesdays at 6:30 starting May 20 and the cost of the book is \$20. Sign up in the atrium or online.

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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