

Native American Ministries Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

“They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love”

Scholtes

Choral Call to Worship

“Into My Heart”
Sanctuary Choir

Clarke

*†Call to Worship

Leader: Christ the Lord is risen today!

People: Alleluia.

Leader: We gather today, aware of the ways we continue to nail Christ to the cross.

People: Forgive us, God.

Leader: We gather today, celebrating the ministries of United Methodist Native Americans and our church.

People: We praise you, God.

Leader: We gather today, prepared to participate in the restoration of relationships with all God’s children

People: Restore us, God!

Leader: We gather today trusting that the resurrection promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls. Christ the Lord is risen today!

People: Alleluia.

*Opening Hymn

“Jesu, Jesu”

UMH #432

*†Unison Prayer

UMH #329

O Great Spirit, whose breath gives life to the world, and whose voice is heard in the soft breeze: We need your strength and wisdom. Cause us to walk in beauty. Give us eyes ever to behold the red and purple sunset. Make us wise so that we may understand what you have taught us. Help us learn the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock. Make us always ready to come to you with clean hands and steady eyes, so when life fades, like the fading sunset, our spirits may come to you without shame. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

UMH #70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Time of Prayer

Prayer Response

(9:25)

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

(8:15)

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

Temple

Carl Fernstrum, solo

(9:25)

“I’m Goin’ to Sing”

arr. Harlan

Sanctuary Choir

*Doxology

UMH #95

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.

*Offertory Blessing

*Scripture Lesson

(Response: Thanks be to God)

Luke 6:27-36, Deuteronomy 15:7-11

Message

“The House that Love Built: Open Your Hand Generously”

Rev. Abby Auman

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Partaking

(9:25)

“Life-Giving Bread”

Sanctuary Choir

arr. Cochran

*Closing Hymn

“Freely, Freely”

UMH #389

*Go and Serve

Choral Benediction

“All Praise to Thee”

Sanctuary Choir

Vaughan Williams

The flowers for this morning’s services are dedicated to the glory of God and are given by: **Sandy Kepke** in memory of her wedding anniversary with **Jim Kepke; Butch & Barb Krivos** in honor of their wedding anniversary.

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**.

Circle of Concern

HOSPITALIZED: Sandie Wojnowski, Metro; Brad Wilkison, Cleveland Clinic

IN HOSPICE CARE:

AT HOME: Len Bogacki, Kevin Joniak, Darlene Franz, Liz Myers, Denise Snyder, Linda Wiegand, Joyce Bakeman, Eva Hawk

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Aubrey Bowers (Linda Voyles’ father), Jim Rogers (Ruth Rogers’ son)

OTHER PLACES OF RESIDENCE: Kay Housum, Generations; John Lenzian, Care Core Willowood; Craig Comstock, The Avenue; Sandy Moir, Len Schmidt, Arden Court; Wendell Ebersole, Brookdale Senior Living; Janet L. Doak, Sally Householder, Marge Stecki, Altenheim Senior Living; Dave McKinnon, Lake Continuing Care Center; Myrna Nored, Nancy Jones, Tom & Marion Mueller, Richard Pinkerton, Vitalia North Royalton; Jim Brickley, Jan Zverina, Kemper House; John Shanfelt, Wesleyan Village; Sally Spisak, Western Reserve Masonic in Medina; Ying Lai, Vitalia Rockside

THOSE IN UNIFORM: Connor Funk, Joe Lang, Erich Reese, Elise Schraibman, Noah Polcar, Adam Schraibman, Devin Fullerman, Zak Boggs, Adam Nebenzahl, Phillip Giampapa, Chad & Nicole Droney, Brendon Horn, Bryan Rocks, Jay Rueschhoff, Brandon Vanderwyst, Jerry Pickryl, Bob Waltz, Adam Gajewski, Patrick Helderma, Rebecca Helderma, Jeremy Knowles, Andrew Dyer, Richie Ward

April 27			
Giving for Ministry: Weekly Receipts			
Regular Ministry Offering		\$17,018	Worship 305
Hope Grows Here		\$310	Sunday School 51

*Please rise in spirit or body. Our different physical abilities mean we will assume different postures of worship.

† Native American Ministries Sunday selection.

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Welcome to
Strongsville UMC!

INTRODUCE YOURSELF...

Don't worry, we won't make you stand in front of everybody. Help us get to know you by filling out some basic information and dropping the tear-off in the offering plate later in the service.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME...

To all God’s children, we offer the opportunity to explore the love of God and the hope found in Christ through relationships and the study of God’s Word with our Children's Ministry. Children and youth ages 3-18 can participate in Sunday School during 9:25 and 11:05 worship services. The sensory friendly class is offered during 11:05. Parents and guardians may leave children ages 0-3 in the nursery during 9:25 and 11:05 and take a pager to worship. They can stay in the nursery where children can play while listening to the worship service as well. We also welcome children in worship and are not fussed if they fuss! To learn about any of these opportunities, contact Ms. Leanne at LeanneG@StrongsvilleUMC.org.

HOW ELSE CAN WE HELP?

Hearing aid devices and large print hymnals are available from our ushers. Children’s activity bags are also available. Let us know if you have other needs while you’re with us today.

WHAT BRINGS YOU TO SUMC THIS MORNING?

___visiting family

___new in community

___looking for a church

___invited by:_____

___other_____

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ON:

___Children/Youth Ministries

___Music Ministries

___Small Group Opportunities

___Missions at SUMC

___A Discovery Class where I can learn more about SUMC.

Contact me:

Name:_____

Phone:_____

E-mail:_____

Ministry Opportunities

DID YOU KNOW ?

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 & Spiritual Adventures by Regina Brett. See you there!

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.

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 in 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. 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!

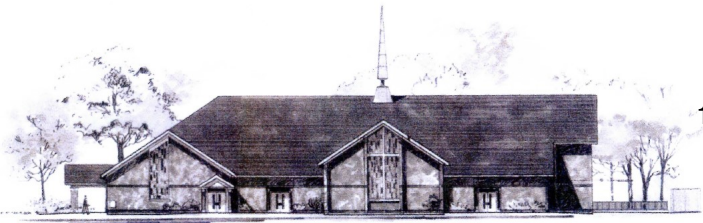
EASTER OFFERING: Looking for a special envelope for your Easter offering? While those weren’t available this year, you’re warmly invited to give in the way that works best for you: online using the QR code inside the bulletin, by marking any red pew pad envelope with “Easter,” or by noting “Easter” in the memo line of your check. Thank you for your joyful generosity and for helping share the good news of the resurrection!

FOOD BANK NEEDS: The Strongsville Emergency Food Bank is in need of: Spaghetti O’s, ravioli, ramen soup, pork & beans, mac & cheese, canned tuna (all sizes), squeeze bottles of jelly (30 and 32 ounces), peanut butter (all sizes), boxed baked goods and cereal. Donations can be brought to the bin the in Manna Room. Thank you!



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.



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Worship Schedule

Sunday: Traditional - 8:15, *9:25
Contemporary - *11:05
Monday: Adult Meditative Worship - 7:30 pm
*Livestreamed service

May 4, 2025



Strongsville United Methodist Church is committed to:

Making and maturing disciples of Christ for the transformation of the world.

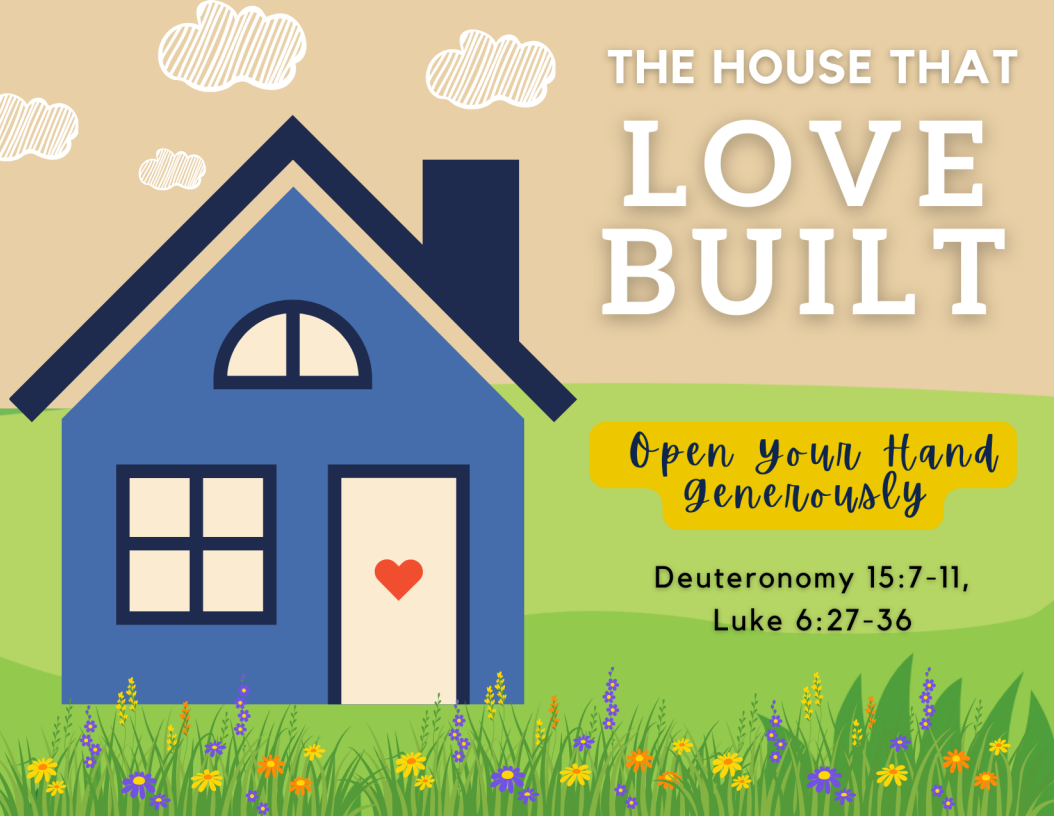
We do this by:

Showing God’s Love,
Sharing God’s Word,
and
Serving in God’s World

Confirmation Service
Today, 4 pm

Crosstalks
5/6, 10 am

Breakfast with Jesus
5/6, 10 am



Let us know how you’d like to get involved! Be sure to fill out your 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.

Contact Information:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____