

May 11, 2025

Order of Worship

8:15 & 9:25 am

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

(8:15) Carl Fernstrum, piano

(9:25) Carl Fernstrum, Chris Erdelac, keyboard duet

“Carla Etude”

Dwight

Choral Call to Worship

“Into My Heart”

Sanctuary Choir

Clarke

*Call to Worship

(adapted from Psalm 23)

Leader: The Lord is our shepherd; we shall not want.

People: He makes us lie down in green pastures; he leads us beside still waters;

Leader: He restores our souls. He leads us in right paths for his name's sake.

People: Even though we walk through the darkest valley, we fear no evil, for you are with us; your rod and your staff, they comfort us.

Leader: You prepare a table before us in the presence of our enemies; you anoint our heads with oil; our cup overflows.

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives, and we shall dwell in the house of the Lord our whole lives long.

*Opening Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

UMH #384

*Unison Prayer

UMH #329

God who gives us each new day, let us live into the promise of your rest and comfort. Turn us away from our distraction and busyness so that we might walk each day in your presence. Let us experience your steadfast love in your promise of rest and breath. Guide us to be people who remember your love and your holiness in how we live. In Christ’s name. 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.

Children’s Message

(9:25)

Testimony Spotlight

Camp Confidence

Time of Prayer

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.

Prayer Response

(9:25)

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

(8:15)

“Worthy Is the Lamb”

Carl Fernstrum, piano

(9:25)

“Jesus, Springing”

Sanctuary Choir

Chilcott

*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)

Mark 2:23-28; Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Message

“The House that Love Built: Rest in Love”

Rev. Hannah Weisbrod

*Closing Hymn

“Happy The Home When God Is There”

UMH #445

*Go and Serve

Choral Benediction

“All Praise to Thee”

Sanctuary Choir

Vaughan Williams

The rose displayed celebrates the birth of **Camryn Jean Krueger** on May 2 to **Kyle & Sarah Krueger**. Proud grandmother is **Jen Krueger**. Proud great grandmother is **Sally Householder**.

Circle of Concern

HOSPITALIZED: Brad Wilkison, Cleveland Clinic

IN HOSPICE CARE:

AT HOME: Sandie Wojnowski, Stephanie Maricic, Jessie Wilson, 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

May 4

Giving for Ministry: Weekly Receipts

Regular Ministry Offering

Hope Grows Here

\$22,371

\$1,695

Attendance

Worship

Sunday School

365

78

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

UMH refers to the United Methodist Hymnal.

Each week’s music and streaming are licensed by: CCLI #1090790, CCLI #20259337 and One License #736411-A.

Please note, security cameras are in use in our facility.

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:

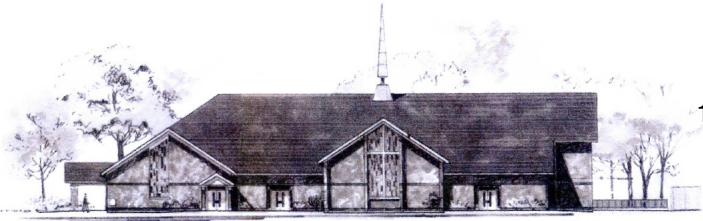
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Phone:_____

E-mail:_____

Ministry Opportunities

DID YOU KNOW ?



Strongsville United Methodist Church
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office@strongsvilleumc.org

Worship Schedule

May 11, 2025

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



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

Men's Group Cookout
5/15, 6:30 pm

ReCharge Respite
5/16, 6:30 pm

Youth ColorFest
5/17, 12 pm

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.

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 today 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.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: Everyone is invited. Come as often as you can. Third Thursday of each month at 10 am. Our May 15 book pick is Little Detours & Spiritual Adventures by Regina Brett. See you there!

CAMP CONFIDENCE: Our camp for teens in foster care is in need of volunteers. If you would like to help, join our volunteer training on Sunday, May 18 at 12:30 pm. Contact Jen Philips (jenfewellphillips@gmail.com) to register. The team also needs many supplies to make camp a success! Please consider checking out our Amazon wish list and donating generously. ([amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/S4ZGQ69Y4X5G?ref=wl_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/S4ZGQ69Y4X5G?ref=wl_share)). Thank you, church!

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 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. Thank you!

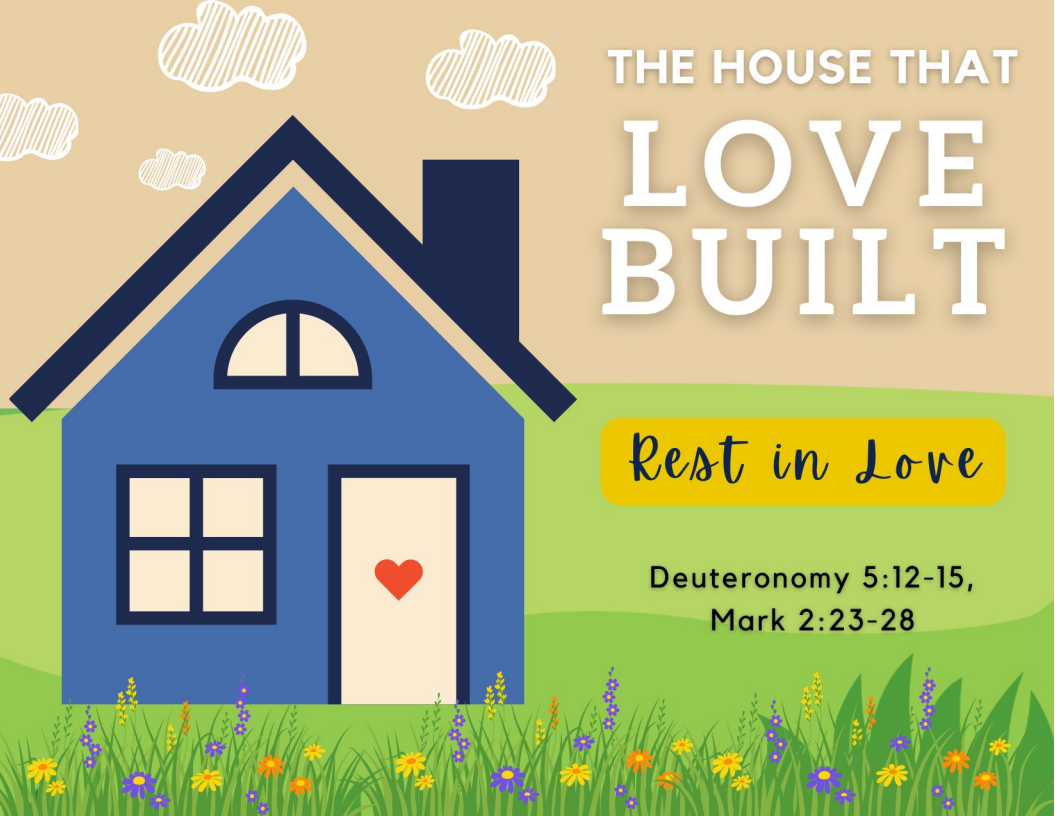
PRAYER GARDEN: During the warmer months, consider strolling the winding paths of our prayer garden when you crave time with God in nature. Small groups and ministry leaders can schedule their meetings around all the picnic tables, too! The prayer garden was established for all to enjoy, so check it out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

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Anyone interested in helping to install a wooden fence at Pastor Abby's parsonage, please contact Dan LaRocco at 440-552-8007.

FOOD BANK NEEDS: The Strongsville Emergency Food Bank is in need of: Oatmeal (cylinders only, please), syrup, pancake mix, mac & cheese, pasta, canned tuna, ramen soup, ravioli, beef-a-roni, spaghetti-o's, Dinty Moore beef stew, and cereal. Donations can be brought to the bin in the 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 Usher Team**. 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.



Contact Information:

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Phone: _____

E-mail: _____