

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

“Go Down, Moses”

spiritual

*Hymn Sing

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.

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“Carla Etude”

Dwight

Carl Fernstrum, Chris Erdelac, keyboard duet

*Doxology

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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.)

Exodus 3:1-14

Message

“Adventures of the Covenant: The Exodus”

Rev. Abby Auman

*Closing Hymn

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

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*Go and Serve



The flowers for this morning’s services are dedicated to the glory of God and are given by: **Carole Morrison and Heidi Reed** in memory of **Sherry Morrison; Ken & Becky Kossin** in memory of **Ken Kossin Sr.**

Receiving the sacrament of baptism at the 11:05 service today are **Charles Keegan** and **Conley Oliver**, children of **Carlin Nathan & Megan Katherin (Anderson) Culbertson**.

Prayers and sympathy of the church are extended to: **Tom & Paula Fultz** upon the passing of Tom’s brother, **Frank Fultz**, on August 3; **Robert Holmes** upon the passing of his father, **Raymond Holmes**, on August 8; **Joan Martin** upon the passing of **Diane Bates** on August 10; **Russ & Cheri Wells** upon the passing of Russ’s mother, **Marian Wells**.

Circle of Concern

HOSPITALIZED: Brad Wilkison, Rich Smyrak *Regency*;

IN HOSPICE CARE: Walter Thompson, *Patty Gross’s brother*

AT HOME: Jan Miller, Dave Puffer, Jack Eck, Betty Pierce, Janet R. Doak, Sandy Kepke, Becky Zatezalo, Debbie Miller, Therese Spence, Ellen Wagner, Bob Hill, Liz Myers, Joyce Bakeman

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Aubrey Bowers (Linda Voyles’ father), Jim Rogers (Ruth Rogers’ son), Paul Finnicum (Linda Flinn’s brother-in-law)

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

IN UNIFORM: Connor Funk, 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, Patrick Helderman, Rebecca Helderman, Jeremy Knowles, Andrew Dyer, Richie Ward

Online Giving:



August 10			
Giving for Ministry: Weekly Receipts			
Regular Ministry Offering 2025	\$19,864	Attendance	
Hope Grows Here	\$2,010	Worship	317
		Sunday School	30

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

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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:

Name:_____

Phone:_____

E-mail:_____

Ministry Opportunities

___ **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY:** I can be the liaison for the church to Habitat for Humanity.

___ **MEAL TRAIN:** I'd like to be included in the SUMC meal train.

___ **CLEANING:** I can help with cleaning during custodial absence October 23-November 2.

___ **REARRANGING:** I can help with set up/tear down for events during custodial absence October 23-November 2.

Serve on a Committee

Do you feel gifted or called in a certain area? Drop this in the offering plate to be contacted.

- ___ **Audit**
- ___ **Committee on Education**
- ___ **Finance**
- ___ **Investment**
- ___ **Missions/Peace Work**
- ___ **Nominating**
- ___ **Reception and Hospitality**
- ___ **Special Needs Ministries**
- ___ **Staff Parish Relations**
- ___ **Stewardship**
- ___ **Trustees**
- ___ **Welcoming**
- ___ **Worship**

Contact Information:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

DID YOU KNOW ?

giant Pacific octopus.

MEN’S GROUP: Join us in the parlor for devotion time and fellowship Thursday, August 21 at 6:30 pm.

PASTOR SUMMER SERIES: To conclude our summer series, join Pastor Lindsey as she explores the Steadfast Love of Samwise Gamgee and reflects of God, relationships and hobbits. We will meet in the pavilion on Thursday, August 28 from 6:30-8pm. [Register here.](#)

SAVE THE DATE: Our annual 5 of a Kind Women’s Brunch will be Saturday, November 1. Registration opens October 1.

BLUE BUS: The Blue Bus Committee would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to the congregation over the years for the various clothing, hygiene and other items that have been donated as there was never a time when the bin wasn't full. The individuals that benefited from these donations are better because of your generosity. We have recently re-evaluated our donation system and in an effort to better streamline for space, organization and volunteer time, we will no longer be taking donations on a continual basis. Throughout the year, Blue Bus will periodically have monthly drives to collect specific items for that month and a bin will be placed in the manna room. Thank you again for always making a difference!

PILL BOTTLE COLLECTION: Well done, church! We have reached our goal of supporting those overseas in need of a safe way to keep medication. At this time, we are no longer collecting pill bottles in the Manna Room. Remember to recycle your pill bottles at home!

WE ARE HIRING: Strongsville UMC is hiring a part-time custodian, primarily for weekends! Please share when you see the info show up in our communication channels soon. Interested people can send resumes now to jobs@strongsvilleumc.org.

MEAL TRAIN: Did you know that faithful volunteers deliver many lovingly prepared meals to members of our congregation when they could use a helping hand? To join our meal train and be able to sign up to take meals when someone is in need, or to request meals dropped off to your home after surgery or other major life event, contact the [church office](#).

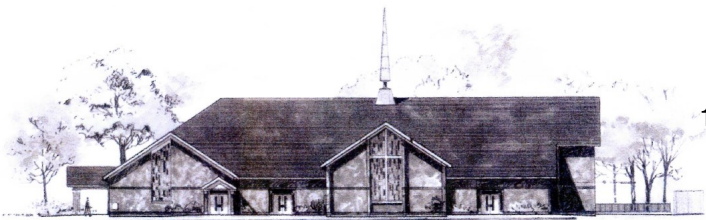
GRIEF SUPPORT: A grief support group helps you understand the journey you are on- the emotional, spiritual, mental, and physical challenges- and offers ways to navigate and live with the ups and downs of grief. Our grief support groups are led by Rev. Debbie Cerra and are held on the first and third Thursdays of each month. The in-person group meets at 10 am and the Zoom group meets at 6:30 pm. To join, register at strongsvilleumc.org/grief-support-groups/

FAMILIES ANONYMOUS: a 12-step program for relatives and friends of individuals with substance abuse issues. It addresses addiction as a family illness, helping members learn to stop contributing to the problem and instead become part of the solution. Participants can find peace and serenity through the FA program amidst chaos. Family Anonymous meets Thursday at 7 pm in the conference room.

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.

If you would like to take a turn serving in the café contact Krissi Swab at kswab10@aim.com.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: Everyone is invited. Come as often as you can. Third Thursday of each month at 10 am. Our August 21 book pick is “Remarkably Bright Creatures” by Shelly Van Pelt about an unlikely connection between a widow and a



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Worship Schedule

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

August 17, 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



Overeaters Anonymous
8/18, 7:30 pm

Hand & Foot Card Group
8/20, 12 pm

Men’s Group
8/21, 6:30 pm

