THE COMMUNICATOR April 14. 2024



Sunday, April 14, 2024

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service

Prelude "Sonata of Jesus" Arr. By: Don Wyrtzen Dr. Kim

Acolyte: Aubrey Johnston

Welcome Pastor Marie Smith

Call to Worship Pastor Marie Smith

Opening Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" UMH 139 vs. all

Greeting Alice Chester

Opening Prayer Jennifer Johnston

First Scripture Psalm 30 Jennifer Johnston

Victory Ringers "Come Thou Almighty King" Arr. By: Kevin McChesney

Children's Message Brooke Summers

Special Music "Before the Throne of God Above" Arr. By: Lloyd Larson Chancel Choir

Second Scripture Reading John 6:1-14 Jennifer Johnston

Sermon "Courage to Share" Pastor Marie Smith

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Prayer Hymn "Jesus, Name above All Names" FWS 2071

Offering Pastor Marie Smith

Offertory: "Let Us Break Bread Together" Arr. By: Cindy Berry
Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94

Closing Hymn "You Are Mine" FWS 2218 vs. all

Benediction Pastor Marie Smith

Postlude "Awesome God" Arr. By: Bill Wolaver Dr. Kim

Following Jesus Takes Courage: Courage to Share

Rev Marie Smith

April 14, 2024

"It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, who's face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again... who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly." Theodore Roosvelt

Courage is about being in the arena.

People who are sitting in the <u>cheap seats</u>; they are not sure what is happening. They know that Jesus is up to something, but they are not sure what.

What can we learn from this kind of courage?

Courage is not the absence of fear.

Galatians 5: 22-23 " By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things."

When have you been thrown into the arena?

For Jesus, the box seats in his arena were the religious leaders. They helped build the religious rules and structure that he lived by, and the religious life that he was raised in and the religious habits that he loved.

Courageous followers are out of humility not out of entitlement.

We, the church, must be there to fill in the gap and to share the message of hope, of resurrection and life with those who are lonely, lost, forgotten, and broken.

Action steps:

- 1. Where are you sitting in our church arena?
- 2. Do you have gifts to offer? Will you be courageous?
- 3. Come back next week as we Courageously Obey Jesus

clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness."

Sunday, April 14, 2024

10:30 a.m. - Contemporary Service

Welcome Levi Graf

Opening Song "Praise You Anywhere"

"Trust In You" Levi Graf

"Living Hope"

Announcements/Offering

Offering Prayer

Offertory Song "You Never Let Go" Levi Graf

Scripture John 6:1-14

Sermon "Courage to Share" Pastor Marie Smith

Lighting of Candles

During the last song, we invite you to light a candle. It may be for someone else, or a situation you are going through. This is your time to connect with Jesus, and allow the Light of Christ to illuminate your life.

Closing Song "It Is Well" Levi Graf

Benediction Pastor Marie Smith

For more information on programs offered at the church please contact:

- Worship Services Office 740.474.4796
- Children's Sunday School & Nursery 740.474.4796
- Sermon Chat Linda Kennedy 740-248-3357
- Dimensions for Living Class John Wysong 740-601-3673
- The Explorers Mark Denniston 740.474.4796
- Community Life Mark Denniston 740.474.4796
- Monday Evening Ladies Bible Study 740.474.4796

Other programs:

Community Care Ministry - 740.474.4796

The Corner Closet - 740.474.4796

Bell Choir – Lora Arledge – 740.412.0702

Church Choir - Alice Chester - 740.474.4796

Saturday Morning Men's Group - Larry Harris - 740.601.7769

Girl Scouts - Office 740.474.4796

Scouts - Robert Fanska-850.529.6724 or Joe McNemar-614.580.8074

Narcotics Anonymous - 740.474.4796

Quilters Group - Pam Patrick 740.412.7642

Plant-Based Meals - Ruth Wilson 740.474.7019

Joy Group - Linda Kennedy 740.248.3357

Christian Counseling - Dr. Nina Helene 614.906.6609

Self Defense – Rick Seeds 740.497.3695

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Prayer List for April 11, 2024

Barb Bigam Paula Sullivan
Pam Phipps Robin Lackey
Dan Fouts Sheila Harris & Family
Joy Brooks Mike Shoemaker
Diane Cooke Matt Mossbarger

Mary Ann Janes Archer Ebert (new born) & Long Family
Scarlett Hedrick Evelvn Hood

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Doug Sweazy Valentine Family - Passing of Bob Valentine

Josh, Rose, Sam, James, Scott
Kelli, Jean, Ernie, Mike, Ricky, Eric, Nerisa
Windy Wagner
Rachel Fortner

Eddie Aslinger
Amy Kramer
Joe Coy
Rose Campbell

Altar flowers are from Patty Manson in memory of her husband, Ferrell Manson.

Compassion Needs: inexpensive vehicles (\$500-\$1500), electric stove, toilet paper & paper towels, lamp, end tables, coffee table, sofa, twin bed, dresser, washer & dryer, any size bed, rocking chair

Calendar for the week of April 14, 2024

April 14	9:00 a 10:30 a 10:00 a 11:30 a 10:30 a 10:30 a	Traditional Service Contemporary Service Children's Sunday School Youth Sunday School Sermon Chat Class – 207 The Explorers –301 Dimensions for Living Class – 203
April 15	10:00 a 6:00 p 6:30 p 7:00 p 7:00 p	Staff Meeting –Media Center Self Defense Class – FHS Monday Night Bible Study Young Men's Bible Study - Library Scouts – Youth Center
April 16	9:30 a 1:00 p 6:00 p	Quilters – FHN Joy Group – Media Center Finance Meeting - 302
April 17	12:00 p	Narcotics Anonymous - 302
April 18	Noon 6:00 p 6:00 p 7:00 p 7-9:00 p	Mom's Group - Nursery Bells Rehearsal Self Defense Class – FHS Choir Rehearsal Worship Rehearsal
April 19		OFFICE CLOSED
April 20	9:00 a 2:00 p	Men's Morning Fellowship – FHN Choir Festival – Trinity Lutheran

Food collection for the Community Cupboards will be this Sunday, April 14th. Donation bins are located inside Door A, Door G, and in The Point. Thank you for your ongoing support.



The Outreach Team is sponsoring its 2nd Annual Family Fun Night on Friday, April 26 from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. We will have fun for the whole family, with the majority of activities being geared towards children ages 3 - 12. Snacks will include shaved ice provided by Randy and Cindi of Tuscoe's Shaved Ice. Invite your friends and neighbors. Hope to see you there!





THE CHURCH CHOIR FESTIVAL Saturday, April 20th at 2:00 pm Trinity Lutheran

Mark your calendars for a community wide Church Choir Festival, hosted by Trinity Lutheran Church. The festival will include church choirs from the area (including our own CUMC choir) as well as the Circleville Men's Barbershop Chorus and the OCU Chorale. Dione Bennett of OCU will direct the large choir, accompanied by Laura Rocklin. The concert is at 2:00 pm on Saturday, April 20th at Trinity Lutheran Church. The concert is free and open to all.



Robert & Marilyn Johnson	05.07	Dave & Becky Stevens	05.19
Joseph & Rise McNemar	05.07	Dean & Joni Huston	05.27
Perry & Jouce Orndorff	05.08		



Leah Hooks	05.01	Steve Bowling	05.14
Susan Leist	05.01	Margaret McNeilly	05.15
Judy Hatfield	05.05	Abbey Scherer	05.18
Todd Stahr	05.05	John Wysong	05.19
Robert Wolford	05.06	Rex Riddle	05.23
Carol Carter	05.08	Nicholas Wolford	05.24
Tracy Barnes	05.09	Dan Chrismer	05.26
Jeff Peters	05.09	Barbara Tootle	05.27
Tim McVey	05.10	Katarina Wilson	05.27
Pam Hively	05.11	Rise McNemar	05.28
Kenneth Curtis	05.12	Uriah Brown	05.29
Madeline Wilson	05.13		



YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR SPRING DRIVE-THRU



Spring through our April Drive-Thru on

April 17th from 12-1pm for your FREE meal We will be serving Lasagna, side salad, garlic bread and a dessert. If you are unable to attend and need delivery please call 740-497-1898

We will also be accepting monetary donations for the April Parkinson's Walk



Assisted Living can be a great option for seniors after the hospital, a rehab stay, or anytime they need a little extra help. To help with this, we are offering a Respite special of \$99/day for 30 days to give them a little extra time to get back on their feet.

If you are interested in learning more please call Megan at 740-963-6091, she'd be happy to help!

