

put my Spirit in you, and you will live again and return home to your own land. Then you will know that I, the Lord, have spoken, and I have done what I said. Yes, the Lord has spoken!"

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God

Message: "Can These Bones Live?" - Rev. Andrea Curry

Special Music "Voice of Truth" by Mark Hall
Yejin Lee - Pianist
Jonathan Kroeger – Vocalist

***Closing Hymn** FWS #2238 In the Midst of New Dimensions

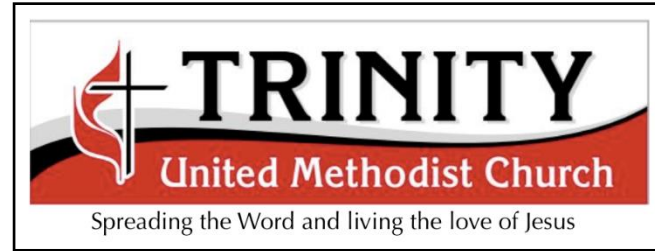
Benediction

Postlude "Grace, Love and Fellowship" by Thomas Eugene Fetteke
Yejin Lee - Pianist

** indicates "please rise in body or in spirit"*

Assisting in our worship service today:

Rev. Andrea Curry - Lead Pastor
Marie Rittenberry - Dir. of Discipleship & Outreach
Jonathan Kroeger – Vocalist
Yejin Lee - Pianist
Ushers - Acolytes
Susan Montgomery - Liturgist
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Welcome to Trinity! We are so glad you are here today. If you are new here, please be sure to fill out a '1st Time Visitor' card and place it in the offering plate before you leave. You are also invited to visit the Info Station to receive your **first-time visitor gift**. If you have a prayer request that you would like included on our email prayer chain, you can submit your prayer request via email to bgtrinityumc@yahoo.com or fill out an **orange prayer request card** today and hand it to an usher. Your prayer card will be shared during the worship service.

May 19, 2024 Pentecost and Graduation Sunday

Prelude "Glorify Thy Name" by Donna Adkins
Yejin Lee - Pianist

Welcome and Announcements

We Turn Our Hearts to Worship God

***Call to Worship** -Susan Montgomery, Liturgist

Leader: The flame of the Spirit burns in our lives, warming all in its path.

People: Come Holy Spirit, come!

Leader: Hear the Spirit calling out of God's holy wind, rising up toward the sky.

People: Come Holy Spirit, come!

Leader: The intoxicating breath of hope fills us with love.

People: Come Holy Spirit, come!

Leader: God calls us to listen, feel, and follow!

All: We come to worship, and sing praise to our Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit as we say come, Holy Spirit, come!

***Opening Hymn** UMH #539 O Spirit of the Living God

***Passing of the Peace**

Recognition of Graduates

Children's Message (All children ages four and over are invited to the front for a time of teaching.)

Junior Worship Dismissal - All children ages four and over may go to Jr. Worship with our Jr. Worship leader.

Hymn of Prayer **UMH #420** **Breathe On Me Breath of God**

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's 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, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Our Gifts

Offering

The ushers will pass the offering plates through the aisles to collect our gifts and tithes. You may also give electronically at bgtrinity.org by clicking on the tithe.ly link or using the QR code in the bulletin.

Offertory **"Sweet Hour of Prayer" by William Walford**

Yejin Lee - Pianist
Jonathan Kroeger - Vocalist

***Doxology UMH #94** **Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

*Prayer of Dedication

Proclamation of the Word

Scripture **Ezekial 37:1-14 (NLT)** **-Susan Montgomery, Liturgist**

The Lord took hold of me, and I was carried away by the Spirit of the Lord to a valley filled with bones. **2** He led me all around among the bones that covered the valley floor. They were scattered everywhere across the ground and were completely dried out. **3** Then he asked me, "Son of man, can these bones become living people again?"

"O Sovereign Lord," I replied, "you alone know the answer to that."

4 Then he said to me, "Speak a prophetic message to these bones and say, 'Dry bones, listen to the word of the Lord! **5** This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Look! I am going to put breath into you and make you live again! **6** I will put flesh and muscles on you and cover you with skin. I will put breath into you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.'"

7 So I spoke this message, just as he told me. Suddenly as I spoke, there was a rattling noise all across the valley. The bones of each body came together and attached themselves as complete skeletons.

8 Then as I watched, muscles and flesh formed over the bones. Then skin formed to cover their bodies, but they still had no breath in them.

9 Then he said to me, "Speak a prophetic message to the winds, son of man. Speak a prophetic message and say, 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, O breath, from the four winds! Breathe into these dead bodies so they may live again.'"

10 So I spoke the message as he commanded me, and breath came into their bodies. They all came to life and stood up on their feet—a great army.

11 Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones represent the people of Israel. They are saying, 'We have become old, dry bones—all hope is gone. Our nation is finished.' **12** Therefore, prophesy to them and say, 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: O my people, I will open your graves of exile and cause you to rise again. Then I will bring you back to the land of Israel.

13 When this happens, O my people, you will know that I am the Lord. **14** I will

This Week at Trinity!

5/19/2024:

Pentecost

Coffee Hour 8:45am

Sunday School 9:00am

Worship 10:00am

5/20/2024:

Lead Team 6:30pm

5/21/2024:

Trinity Taco Tuesday 5:30pm

5/23/2024:

Staff Meeting 10:00am

Sew, Knit, Crochet 1:00pm

Al-Anon 7:00pm

5/24/2024:

Scrapbooking 9:00am to 9:00pm

5/25/2024:

Scrapbooking 9:00am to 9:00pm

5/26/2024

Coffee Hour 8:45am

Sunday School 9:00am

Worship 10:00am

Children's Collection



Prayer Concerns

Congregational Concerns:

- For Patty Williams, a friend of Shirley Rath, who is battling cancer.
- For Tori Lewis' mother who is in the hospital.
- For Drew Oswald's mother who is having health issues.
- For the family and friends of Marian Dunn who passed away.
- For Linda Hower who fell and fractured her hip.
- For our members who are homebound and in nursing care centers.

World Concerns:

- For the peace of Christ to prevail and the violence to end in the Middle East.
- For the people of Ukraine.
- For those affected by the recent natural disasters throughout our country.
- For those affected by recent events of gun violence, domestic violence, and other acts of abuse.
- For those struggling to get by.



Trinity Tuesday Table: Our next Trinity Tuesday Table is coming up on Tuesday, May 21st at 5:30pm. This is a free dinner for both church members and community members. We could use more volunteers for the event. Please see the sign-up sheet at the Info Station. We look forward to this great time of live music, conversation, and connection.



First Responder Greeting Card Drive – Thanks to recent legislation in Ohio, May 24th is now designated for “**First Responders Appreciation Day**”. We want to thank our local first responders by writing thank-you cards. We will be giving them to the **Wood County Sheriff’s Department, Bowling Green Police Department, Bowling Green Fire and EMS, and BGSU Campus Police**. Have you had a personal encounter with a first responder? Has someone come to the rescue of you or a loved one? Do you simply want to express your gratitude?



This is a great way to show our appreciation! You can drop off your cards in the main office during office hours (Monday through Friday 9am to 12pm) or in the basket in the lobby. The last day to drop off your cards is May 22nd. On May 24th, we will be delivering them. Thank you so much!

Rummage Sale: Thank you to everyone who helped with the Rummage Sale last week and in the weeks leading up to it as items were sorted and organized. We were able to raise money for the various projects and ministries for the Missions Team. Your help is appreciated!



Children’s Collection – We will start collecting for our Children’s Mission Project on May 26th. The collection will go through the last Sunday of September. More information regarding the mission we are collecting for is in the insert of the bulletin, and on the missions bulletin board.



Vacation Bible School - We are so excited for VBS this year. It is coming up soon. VBS will run from June 23-27 starting at 6:00 pm and ending at 8:30 pm. Our theme this year is Camp Firelight: “Whenever I’m afraid, I put my trust in you.” (Psalm 56:3). If you know of any kids that would enjoy VBS we have more information on our Facebook or can email Marie at marie.rittenberry@gmail.com. We would love for you to volunteer and help make VBS magical for the kids in our community. Sign-up sheets are located at the Info Station.

Annual Conference – The West Ohio Annual Conference begins on May 29th. If you’d like to stay up to date on everything, you can visit <https://www.westohioumc.org/west-ohio-annual-conference-2024-god-able>. Bishop Palmer’s prayer for the conference is: “Gracious God, we humbly acknowledge that you are the source of our life. We confess we are often tempted to try being your church without your love, without your power. Forgive us. Grant to us, grace-full God, to put all our hope and confidence in you. For you are Able. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.”



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