

Message "We Abide in Christ" - Rev. Andrea Curry

Special Music Chancel Choir
"Fly Away Medley" arranged by Mark Hayes

Yejin Lee - Pianist
Jonathan Kroeger - Director

Closing Hymn HWC #284 They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Benediction

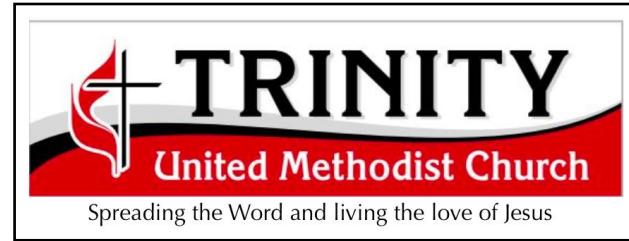
Postlude "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" by Arthur S. Sullivan and
"Christ is Alive" from Psalmodia Evangelica

Malik Halce - Organist
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
Malik Halce - Organist
Ushers - Acolytes
Bev Robie - Liturgist
Jerry Milnor & John Rutter - Ushers



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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.

April 21, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Eastertide

Prelude - "Come, Thou Almighty King" by Felice de Giardini, arranged by James Pethel and Stan Pethel

Malik Halce - Organist
Yejin Lee - Pianist

Welcome and Announcements

We Turn Our Hearts to Worship God

Opening Prayer (unison) Bev Robie, Liturgist
Living Word, whose love abides in us, You call us to love in truth and action. Give courage to our hearts so we may love your beloveds. Open our ears to the wisdom of those you send, who might otherwise be dismissed. Transform our charity into justice over all the earth. Amen.

*Opening Hymn HWC #234 Crown Him with Many Crowns

*Passing of the Peace

Baptism

Jiana Adwoa Ntiriwaa Ofosuhene
Daughter of Patrick and Yaa Ofosuhene

Congregational Response:

With God's help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

Song for Baptism: FWS #2051 I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry

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 **HWC #309** **Pass It On**

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

"Because He Lives" by William J. Gaither

Yejin Lee - Pianist
Jonathan Kroeger - Vocalist

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

*Prayer of Dedication

Proclamation of the Word

Scripture

1 John 3:16-24 (NLT)

-Bev Robie, Liturgist

16 We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters. **17** If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God's love be in that person?

18 Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions. **19** Our actions will show that we belong to the truth, so we will be confident when we stand before God. **20** Even if we feel guilty, God is greater than our feelings, and he knows everything.

21 Dear friends, if we don't feel guilty, we can come to God with bold confidence. **22** And we will receive from him whatever we ask because we obey him and do the things that please him.

23 And this is his commandment: We must believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as he commanded us. **24** Those who obey God's commandments remain in fellowship with him, and he with them. And we know he lives in us because the Spirit he gave us lives in us.

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

This Week at Trinity!

4/21/2024:

Coffee Hour 8:45am

Worship 10:00am

4/22/2024:

Staff Meeting 10:00am

4/24/2024:

Bible Study 3:00pm

4/25/2024:

Sew, Knit, Crochet Group 1:00pm

Al-Anon 7:00pm

4/26/2024:

Scrapbooking 9am to 9pm

4/27/2024:

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4/28/2024:

Coffee Hour 8:45am

Sunday School 9:00am

Worship 10:00am



Prayer Concerns

Congregational Concerns:

- For Paul King who recently had a stroke and is recovering.
- For Becky Eninger who is recovering after a recent fall.
- 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 the people of Taiwan as tensions in the region rise.
- For the people of Dubai as they deal with historic flooding.
- For those affected by the recent natural disasters throughout our country.
- For those without enough food to eat each day.
- For those without sufficient shelter who need a place to call home.

Church Clean-Up Day: We are having a Church Clean-Up Day to spruce up our church on **Saturday, May 11th** beginning at 9:30am. There will be various projects indoors and outdoors that will help clean and beautify our space. Please see the sign-up sheet at the Info Station and volunteer today!



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?

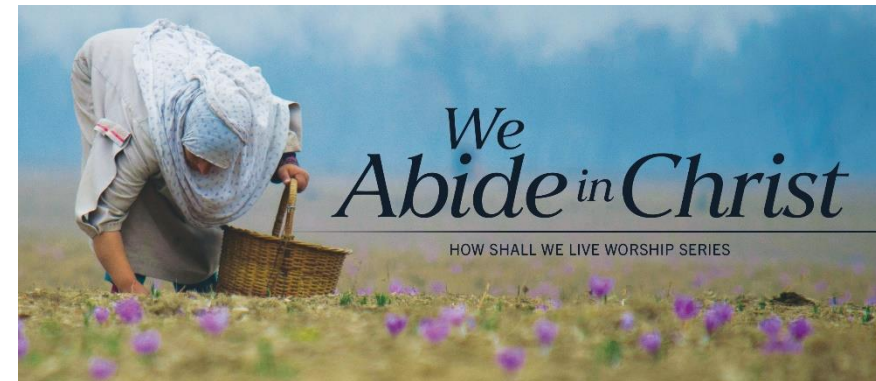
This is a great way to show our appreciation! You can drop off your cards in the main office during office hours (Monday through Friday 9am to 12pm) or in the basket in the lobby. The last day to drop off your cards is May 22nd. On May 24th, we will be delivering them. Thank you so much!

Rummage Sale: Our annual spring Rummage Sale will be **Thursday, May 16 from 9am to 6pm, Friday, May 17th from 9am to 4pm, and May 18th from 9am to 12pm**. You may begin dropping off donations tomorrow during office hours: Monday through Friday 9am to 12pm. Please no mattresses, large furniture, baby furniture/car seats, electronics (including televisions and computer monitors). We also need volunteers for the event. You can sign up at the Info Station. Thank you for all your help!

Scrapbooking Weekend – Join the **Sacred Circle of Scrappin’ Sisters** this weekend for scrapbooking from **9am to 9pm on both Friday and Saturday** in the Fellowship Hall.

There is no cost other than materials and meals which you will decide. Lunch will be available (price not yet determined) and for dinner you will be on your own. You can bring your own materials or purchase some, and work on greeting cards or the National Scrapbook Day Make and Takes. Supplies from Creative Memories will be available for purchase or use.

Children should be accompanied by an adult. We hope you’ll join us for this special time of fellowship!



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