

# ~ Welcome ~

April 7, 2024

10:30am

First Sunday After Easter

Prelude “Calvary Medley” featuring “The Old Rugged Cross Made the Difference”, “I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary” and “My Faith Still Holds”

*Arr. By: William J. Gaither*

Welcome & Announcements

\*Opening Hymn “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” UMH No. 302 vs. 1-4

*If you wish, on the first Sunday of every month, anyone who has a birthday or anniversary during the month, can place a donation during the hymn to the “little church” to help fund the Flower and Landscaping Fund.*

\*Call To Worship Acts 4

*Leader: We gather in the name of the risen Lord.*

**People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

*Leader: We gather as sisters and brothers of the resurrected one.*

**People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

*Leader: We gather to share our faith and to worship God.*

**People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

*Leader: We gather to proclaim the good news of the Resurrection!*

**People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

\*Opening Prayer

**God of the resurrection, we gather this morning as a community of believers. We come with joy to greet one another and to tell again and again the amazing news: Christ is risen! Love is victorious over death! You have given us new life in the name of your Son! May our singing, praying, listening, and proclaiming be a testimony to the power of your love to make us a new creation as a community of faith. We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.**

Song of Praise

“Victory in Jesus”

UMH No. 370

Children’s Time

“Doubting Thomas”

Pastor Jane

*At the conclusion of Children’s Time all children age 4 through 5th grades are invited to go with the teachers for Sunday School.*

Prayers of the People

Sharing our Joys & Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

\*Gloria Patri

*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!*

Prayer for Illumination

**All: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

Acts 4:32-35

The Believers Share Their Possessions

Charlie Tramel

p. 1007

Psalms 133

A Song of Ascents

p. 574

1 John 1:1–2:2

The Incarnation of the Word of Life

p. 1129

John 20:19-31

Jesus Appears to His Disciples

p. 1001

Message

“Light and Darkness”

Pastor Jane Piehl

Moment of Reflection

Sharing in the Lord’s Supper

UMH No. 12

Offering

“I Stand Amazed in the Presence”

*By: Charles Gabriel*

\*Doxology

*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.*

UMH No. 95

Offertory Prayer

\*Closing Hymn

“Just a Little Talk with Jesus”

Insert

\*Benediction

Postlude

“I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

*Arr. By: Cindy Berry*

\*Indicates congregation to stand

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Pastor Jane Piehl  
Millie Frambaugh

Pastor  
Music Director

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**This Week**

Mon	7p	Grief Group
Tues	7p	<i>God of Freedom</i> Study on Exodus Chapters 19-40
Weds	7p	Ukulele class

**Upcoming Events**

4/20	8:30a	Habitat for Humanity Build Project
5/27	7a-11a	Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

-Starting on April 2nd a study on Exodus Chapters 19-40 will begin. This will be a 10 week study on Tuesday evening from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. The study is entitled *God of Freedom* and Jan Wilkin will present the video portion of the study.

- Grief Group session continues through April 15. It is lead by John & Lori Weiss. It will take place at 7pm on Monday evenings in the Conference Room.

-On April 3 at 7pm a beginner Ukulele class lead by Dave Piehl will be held and last til May 8. On May 12 the group will be invited to play during the church service. Ukuleles will be available for use if you don't have your own.

-April 20 we invite people to participate in a Habitat for Humanity building project at 8:30am at Lafayette UMC (6201 Lafayette Rd Medina, OH) Several Medina County churches will be participating.

-On May 27 from 7a-11a we will have our annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast! Contact Bob Mravetz if you can help. Meal is by donation and all proceeds support local charities.

## Welcome to Sharon Center United Methodist Church!



If you are visiting with us for the first time, we are glad you are here! Please join us in our activities and gatherings and if you have a question, just ask, and come back again soon!

At Sharon Center UMC we are committed to building relationships with Jesus Christ. For families of all ages, this is a great community to join as you grow in your relationship with God and with others.

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## SHARON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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