

## WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In this Lenten season, Loving God, you call us to a time of reflection and contemplation.

**People: This is a time to ponder where our wandering steps have separated us from you.**

Leader: This is a time to consider who we are and where you want us to be.

**People: This is a time to establish a vulnerable relationship with you.**

Leader: O Lord, we want to be upright in heart.

**All: May your comforting spirit allow us to unburden our souls.**

**OPENING PRAYER** God of us all, Throughout this Lenten journey, help us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the pioneer, and perfecter of our faith, who, for the joy that was set before him, endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, since as members of the body, we were called to peace. And let us be thankful. Amen

🎵 Nothing but the Blood | Hymnal Page 362

### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

🎵 I Come to the Cross | Ensemble

### CHILDREN'S TIME

Genesis 9:8-17 | Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God. **All: Thanks be to God!**

## THE CLEANSING POWER OF LENT - Pastor Lori Wright

**OFFERING** Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** Gracious God, this season of Holy Lent calls us home to you. As we have wandered in our spiritual lives, we now hear your invitation to return to you. Lent challenges us to look within ourselves and examine the priorities in our lives and how those priorities influence our choices. Loving God, we quickly see that our ways are not your ways, and for that, we are sorry and seek to repent. We seek to have you know us so that we, in turn, might know our true selves. We trust, O Lord, in your steadfast love. Amen.

🎵 Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters | Hymnal Page 605

### PASTORAL PRAYER | LORD'S PRAYER

🎵 Rock of Ages | Hymnal Page 361 vs 1-3

join us! EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES				
maundy thursday Service 7pm SUMC Sanctuary	good friday Service 7pm @ TRINITY UMC	easter sunrise Service 6:30am SUMC Outdoors (weather permitting)	easter sunday Service 9:30am SUMC Sanctuary	easter sunday Service 11am SUMC Centrum

**EASTER FLOWERS** Tulips and daffodils are now available for purchase! These will decorate our Sanctuary and Centrum on Easter Morning. Please fill out the form at the welcome desk or On your app, head over to "Get Involved" to sign up. They are \$16 each

**WE NEED YOUR HELP TO DELIVER EASTER GIFTS** to our homebound church members. The office will supply the gifts - we just need your smiling faces to help with delivery! Please see the Commons to sign up for who you will take the gift to. The gifts will be available to pick up at church starting Sunday, March 30, and the gifts should be delivered between the dates of April 6-12. See Pastor Lori with any questions or if you would like to make a monetary donation towards the gift items. Thank you!

**WE NEED PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO PASS OUT COMMUNION ELEMENTS** once a quarter in the 11am service. Please contact the church office if you can help.

**OUR NEXT FAMILY PROMISE WEEK** starts April 7! Family promise as a ministry to the homeless families in our Lima area. Are you able to help us provide a meal or part of a meal? The board is currently out in the commons. Please sign up if you're able!

**PASTOR EM WILL BE ON VACATION** from Mar 11 - Mar 17. Please contact Pastor Lori for pastoral emergencies during this time. Pastor Lori will be leading the worship service on March 16.

**OUR SAMARITAN HOUSE goCO** serving event will be Tuesday, March 25 @ 5:30pm where we will serve dinner to the ladies & children at The Samaritan House. All women are welcome to join at either event!

**THE LEAD TEAM MEETING** scheduled for March 17 has been cancelled.

**ALL YOUTH BETWEEN 2-8TH GRADE WHO LIKE TO SING** & want to be involved are invited to join the Youth Singers & participate in the choir anthem on Palm Sunday, Apr. 13 at the 9:30am service. Brief rehearsals will be held in the sanctuary at 10:30am between services on March 16, 23, 30 and April 6.

**THE MOBILE HOPE FOOD PANTRY** invites you to serve on Thurs, Apr 3 from 11am-12:30pm at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen (125 S Central Ave). We'll be helping serve lunch to those needing food!

**JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL EASTER SUNRISE BREAKFAST** following the 6:30am Sunrise Service! After celebrating the joy of Christ's resurrection, we invite you to gather for food and fellowship in the commons. To make this meal possible, we're asking for you to bring a breakfast dish to share. If you'd like to contribute, please sign up on the app under Get Involved or contact the office. office@shawneeum.church. Let's rejoice together with a joyful meal and wonderful fellowship.



9am - 3pm

**CRAFT SHOW SERVANTS** needed on March 29. If you're able to help in any way please sign up! We need servants to help set up 2 days before, servants the day of at the door, vendor liaisons & helpers in concessions. There's a board in the commons for all the different ways to serve at this great fundraising event. There is also a board for Donations that are needed to help make our concession stand a success! Please take a look and see how you might be able to help!

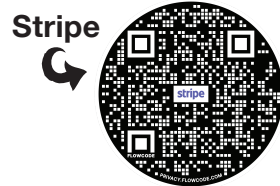
UPCOMING CALENDAR

- Mar. 16 - HS Escape Room & Dinner
- Mar. 17 - Finance Mtg - 6pm in Comm. Rm
- Mar. 17 - Lenten Bible Study - 6:30pm SRC
- Mar. 19 - Lenten Bible Study - 9am SRC
- Mar. 19 - Connections Young Adult Group
- Mar. 22 - Mobile Food Pantry
- Mar. 23 - Crafts & Cookies Family Event
- Mar. 24 - Lenten Bible Study - 6:30pm SRC
- Mar. 26 - Lenten Bible Study - 9am SRC
- Mar. 26 - Healing Strings Ministry
- Mar. 29 - Spring Fling Craft Show
- Mar. 31 - Lenten Bible Study - 6:30pm SRC
- Apr. 7 - Family Promise Week begins
- Apr. 7 - Lenten Bible Study - 6:30pm SRC
- Apr. 14 - Lenten Bible Study - 6:30pm SRC
- Apr. 17 - Maundy Thursday
- Apr. 18 - Good Friday Service 7pm @ Trinity UMC
- Apr. 20 - Easter Sunday
- Apr. 25 - MS Youth Group Midnighter
- May 4 - Blessing of the Bikes



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SUMC FAMILY & YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

QUEST SUNDAY SCHOOL for 5th grade & up during the 11:00 church service.

For more Youth information, Follow us on Facebook: Shawnee & Trinity UMC Youth Group Sign up for Remind: text @ygsumctumc to 81010 For more information: Lisa Wackler kidsminlisa@gmail.com 614-746-9465

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