

**WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Call: Come, all who seek the treasure that does not fade!*

**Response: We come, longing to know the heart of God.**

*Call: God has planned a future for us since before we were born.*

**Response: We are known, we are loved, we are chosen!**

*Call: Jesus has shown us the way to life that is truly life.*

**Response: We set out together, following Christ into a world longing for hope.**

*Call: Then come! Let us worship the One who writes his law on our hearts.*

**Response: We come with open hearts, ready to receive the treasure of God's love!**

**OPENING PRAYER** *Gracious and loving God, Before we took our first breath, you knew us. Before we could understand your voice, you spoke to us. Before we sought you, you had already made a way for us. As we worship today, write your truth deep within us. Turn our hearts toward the lasting treasure that is your love and your presence in our lives. Open our hands to release what holds us back, and our feet to follow where you lead. Shape our desires, renew our spirits, and send us out as those who reflect your kingdom. In the name of Jesus, our treasure and our guide, we pray. Amen.*

🎵 Lord, Speak to Me | Hymnal Page 463

**PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

🎵 Refiner's Fire | Judy Hamp

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

John 12:20-33 (NLT) | *Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God!*

**A NEW COVENANT** - Pastor Eva Marie

**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** *God of us all, our hearts respond to your heart, and so we give back to you from what you have given us. May others come to know you through the work done through this offering; may they learn of your love and devotion. May their hearts also turn towards you. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.*

🎵 Have Thine Own Way, Lord | Hymnal Page 382

**PASTORAL PRAYER | LORD'S PRAYER**

**CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION WITH APOSTLES' CREED**

🎵 Take My Life and Let It Be | Hymnal Page 399

**NEXT SUNDAY IS PALM SUNDAY!** You are invited to wear Hawaiian or tropical-themed shirts as we remember the parade of palms that celebrated Jesus' entrance in Jerusalem.

**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 & fellowship in the commons. To make this 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.

**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 are available for pickup starting Today, 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!

**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 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 SAMARITAN HOUSE goCO** will meet twice during the month of April. On Tuesday, April 8, we'll have a time of planning and fellowship at Freda's Family Diner (320 S Cable Rd) at 11:30am. Our serving event will be Tuesday, April 22 @ 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 MOBILE HOPE GROUP** invites you to serve on Thurs, May 1 from 11am-12:30pm at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen (125 S Central Ave). We'll be helping serve lunch to those needing food!

**2025 BLESSING OF THE BIKES T-SHIRTS** are available for Pre-Order! Our online store: www.ShawneeUM.church/BlessingOfTheBikes. Order yours and select Pick up to guarantee them before May 4.

**BIKER SUNDAY SERVANTS** The Blessing of the Bikes is May 4. We'll be showing radical hospitality to 1,200+ bikers coming for the Blessing & the 11am service! Join us for this energetic, exciting worship! Lots of servants are needed! See the board in the commons for ways to help.

**JOIN US ON A SPECIAL JOURNEY TO ST. JOHN, INDIANA**, to experience the breathtaking Shrine of Christ's Passion. This powerful, interactive prayer trail features life-size bronze sculptures depicting the final hours of Jesus' life. This is a wonderful opportunity for reflection, prayer, and fellowship. Space is limited, so reserve your seat today! **Date: July 18-19, 2025 via charter bus \$200 deposit due ASAP to hold your spot.** A flyer with details is on the welcome desk. For more information or to sign up, contact Chris Shepherd, 419-806-9262 or email limabean1@woh.rr.com. We look forward to sharing this spiritual experience with you!

				
<i>maundy thursday</i> Service 7pm SUMC Sanctuary	<i>good friday</i> Service 7pm @ TRINITY UMC	<i>easter sunrise</i> Service 6:30am SUMC Outdoors <i>(weather permitting)</i>	<i>easter sunday</i> Service 9:30am SUMC Sanctuary	<i>easter sunday</i> Service 11am SUMC Centrum

## UPCOMING CALENDAR

- 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

## ROOTS KID'S MINISTRY SUNDAYS @11AM

## SUMC FAMILY & YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

**QUEST** for 5th grade & up during the 11am 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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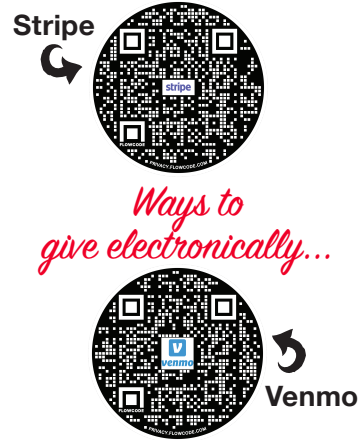


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April 6, 2025 | 9:30am Service

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