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**The Nursery**  
 Infants - 3yrs.Old 9:30am and 11:00am  
**Roots Kids Ministry**  
 Preschool - 4th grade  
 meet in Centrum at 11:00am  
**Quest Sunday School**  
 5th grade and above  
 meet in Centrum at 11:00am  
**Sign up for Remind:**  
 Youth Group 6<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup>  
 text @ygsuncumc to 81010

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## Upcoming Dates

- 04.26 - Crafts & Cookies 2-4pm (SR)
- 04.29 - Bible Study 9am (SR)
- 04.29 - Sermon Discussion 10:15am (CR)
- 04.30 - Choir Practice 6pm (Sanctuary)
- 05.03 - Blessing of the Bikes

**Healing Strings** every 2nd & 4th Wed.- 6:30 PM in the Centrum.  
**Connections** every 1st & 3rd Wed.- 6:00 PM in the (SRC)  
**Sing-a-Longs** every 1st Thurs.- 11:00 AM at Our Daily Bread.

## Social Media



Church Center (App)  
Check in Here!



Church Website



Shawnee & Trinity  
UMC Youth Group



Church Facebook

📍 2600 Zurmehly Rd. Lima, OH 45806

## Giving

**VANCO** give through our website  
[www.shawneeumchurch/giving](http://www.shawneeumchurch/giving)

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 26, 2026 ✦ 9:30am Worship



### ✦ Our Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

### ✦ Our Vision

Shawnee UMC is on a spiritual journey to connect people with God and one another, equip disciples to do the Lord's work in the world, and restore our community, one heart, one home, and one neighborhood at a time, all in the name of Jesus Christ.

### ✦ Our Values

Community, Inclusion, Respect, Compassion, Service

# Traditional Worship

PRELUDE ✦ WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

Call: Even in the night, God is at work.

**Response: In prison and in praise, God is at work.**

Call: When the world sees only loss, Christ opens the way to life.

**Response: When fear closes in, grace opens doors.**

Call: We worship the God who meets us in hard places.

**Response: We come to sing, to pray, and to trust in God.**

## OPENING PRAYER:

**God of us all, you meet your people in places of pain, uncertainty, and loss. When the night feels long and the way ahead is unclear, you do not abandon us. You are present with us, speaking hope, opening hearts, and bringing new life where we could not yet see it. Gather us now in your Spirit. Turn our attention to your grace. Reorient our hearts through the love of Christ, so that in our worship we may find courage, freedom, and joy. Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN:** *Are Ye Able Hymn 530*

## PASSING THE PEACE

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** *Let it Be Said of Us*

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 16:16-34 NLT

**SERMON:** Living Beyond Loss~ Pastor Eva Marie Wolfe

OFFERING ✦ DOXOLOGY

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:

**God of abundant grace, all that we have comes from your goodness. Even in seasons of loss, your mercy does not fail. Receive these gifts and receive our lives. Use them to bring hope where there is despair, freedom where there is bondage, and new life where people can see no way forward. Shape your church into a witness of your love, so that what we offer today may become a blessing to others in the name of Christ. Amen.**

**PRAYER HYMN:** *It is Well Hymn 377 vs. 1,3,4*

## PRAYERS AND PRAISES

**CLOSING HYMN:** *Victory in Jesus Hymn 370*

BENEDICTION ✦ POSTLUDE

### Call to Action:

When you experience a loss, ask what God is making possible.

# Announcements

**Roots Kids & Family Ministry** will host a "Crafts & Cookies" event for families of all ages on Sunday, TODAY @ 2-4 pm in the SRC. All are welcome!

**We need YOUR help** to make our Blessing of the Bikes service a success! Please sign up on the servant board in the Commons!

**REMINDER** - There will NOT be a 9:30am service on Sunday, May 3 due to the Blessing of the Bikes. We invite you to attend this exciting service at 11am!

**Pastor Lori** will be on vacation May 1st-10th and not reachable by phone. Pastor Em will cover pastoral care needs during this time.

**A Home for Retiring Flags** Flags can be placed in the wooden box outside of Shawnee High School Door N2 (Facing Zurmehly Road). This is a service provided by the Boy Scouts. All flags will be officialy retired in a ceremony at a later date.

Our **Samaritan House goCO** serving event will be Tuesday, April 28 @ 5:30pm where we will serve dinner to the ladies & children at The Samaritan House. All women are welcome to join!

**New Friday Evening Bible Study** starts May 1st at 6:00 PM! Our first meeting will focus on setting a schedule and sharing topic ideas. This community-led study will include Scripture, The Chosen, and devotionals. Facilitated by Mark Miller. Questions? Text 404-218-5293 or email [markfmiller624@gmail.com](mailto:markfmiller624@gmail.com). All are welcome!

**PIECES OF PEACE: SUPPORT GROUP FOR WIDOWS** Next meeting is May 5th. Group meets on the first Tuesday of every month to support and encourage widows. Group will be in the Community Room. Call or text Joyce Davis at (419) 905-7512, or Diane Motter at (419) 235-7934, with questions.

The **Our Daily Bread** group invites you to serve on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 11am-12:30pm at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen (125 S Central Ave). We'll be helping serve lunch!

**Game Day** The next get-together for our \*new\* Card Playing Group will be Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm in the Solid Rock Cafe at Shawnee UMC. Invite your friends, bring your favorite card or board games, and a snack to share if you'd like! Please RSVP to Pastor Lori so we know who will be attending.

**June 7<sup>th</sup> Grad Sunday**, Both Services we will be reconginzing Graduates. If you have a child or grandchild graduating from high school or College. Please call the Church Office (419) 991-4806. Deadline for Submissions May 26th.