

heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
P: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest

L: ...And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

P: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

L: ...All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and for ever.

P: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking the Bread

Receiving the Bread & Cup

Sending Forth

❖ Hymn "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" (V.1-4) #344

Greetings & Announcements

❖ Benediction

❖ Community Blessing "He Lives" (Refrain) #310

Postlude

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The Outreach Mission Team will be having a Takeout Luncheon following the 10am worship service today (May 1<sup>st</sup>).

Side dishes: Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Macaroni Salad, & Oriental Salad. Sandwiches: Egg Salad, Turkey Ham Spread, Roast Beef & Cheese, Chipped Ham & Cheese, and Salami & Provolone.



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## 3rd Sunday of Easter / Native American Ministries Sunday

❖ Congregation please stand, (if you are able)

### Prelude

***As the music begins, be silent, be thoughtful, and be reverent, for this is the House of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord. During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.***

❖ Centering Chorus "Up from the Grave He Arose" (Refrain) #322

❖ Call to Worship

One: Christ the Lord is Risen today!

**All: Alleluia**

One: As I stand upon the Earth,

**All: I know that I am part of a Circle.**

One: As I drink water from a cup,

**All: I know that I am part of a Circle.**

One: As I harvest from a garden,

**All: I know that I am part of a Circle.**

One: As I gather from a berry bush,

**All: I know that I am part of a Circle.**

One: As I hunt and look into the eyes of the deer,

**All: I know that I am part of a Circle.**

One: With each breath I take, with each day I live,

**All: I know I am part of a Circle.**

One: Laughter and tears mingle to remind us that we are all part of a Circle.

**All: That Circle is the Earth. That Circle is the People. That Circle is Life.**

One: Christ the Lord is Risen today!

**All: Alleluia**

Video "Amazing Grace" (in Cherokee)

❖ Hymn "Amazing Grace" (V.1,2,4,6) #378

❖ Opening Prayer (in unison)

**God of all our beginnings, may this day and every day begin with our praise to you. Let every breath become a witness to your Spirit, dwelling within and among us.**

**Open our hearts to receive your saving gifts. Loosen our tongues to proclaim your unsurpassed greatness. May the noise of our celebration help your people to sense your powerful presence and to claim the joy of serving you, in Christ's name. Amen.**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

❖ Gloria Patri #70

Anthem "A Clean Heart"

Children's Moment Pastor Sara

Sung Prayer of Illumination "Thy Word Is A Lamp" (Ref.x2) #601

New Testament Lesson Revelation 5:11-14 (NRSV) #1075

❖ Hymn "Lift High the Cross" #159

❖ Gospel Lesson John 21:1-19(NRSV) #945

Message "Feed and Tending" Rev. Sara J. Wrona

Offertory Reflection (Video)

❖ Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Prayer of Confession

One: We send to you, Creator God, our dreams, visions, and prayers. For the hearts of the people, Created with our sacred fire burning within us, we confess that we struggle to live out our great potential. When we do harm to your Creation, your creatures and fellow human beings,

**All: Forgive us.**

One: When we fail to do all the good we can, in all the places we can,

**All: Forgive us.**

One: When we turn away from your love and grace,

**All: Forgive us.**

One: Hear the good news of Jesus Christ,

**All: You are forgiven. I am forgiven. We are forgiven.**

Call to Communion "Bread of the World" #624

The Great Thanksgiving #15

L: The Lord be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**P: We lift them up to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: ...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of



## COT\* Awareness Walk Introduction

The COT Central Office is organizing a COT Awareness Walk for Saturday, May 14, 2022. Our local walk will be held at Northmoreland Park, 280 Markle Road, Apollo at 10:00 A.M. We will meet at Pavilion #11 to sign in. The walk will be at your pace around the path of the lake. This event is intended to raise money for both the COT Central Office and the local COT sites.

In cooperation with Bethel United Methodist Church in Lower Burrell, we are hosting a walk in our local area to raise awareness. Part of our goal in raising awareness of the COT program is that we can build a base of support and knowledge in the hopes of having a site here in Western Pennsylvania in the future.

If you register by April 22<sup>nd</sup>, you will receive a t-shirt in time for the walk.

Here is the link for online registration:

<https://secure.qgiv.com/for/communiotransforma/event/846328/>

\*Communities of Transformation is the ministry that Katy Wrona oversees in the Alabama – West Florida Conference of the UMC.

## Support the Humanitarian Response in the Ukraine

United Methodists and others wishing to provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people in the wake of the Russian invasion of their country may contribute to Advance #982450, UMCOR International Disaster Response and Recovery. This fund will provide direct assistance to those in Ukraine as well as assistance to Ukrainians fleeing to neighboring countries.

Gifts to support the people of Ukraine can be made in the following ways:

- Online at <https://umcmmission.org/advance-project/982450>
- By toll-free telephone: 888-252-6174
- By check made out to Global Ministries/UMCOR with “Advance #982450-Ukraine” written on the memo line, either mailed and addressed to Global Ministries/UMCOR, GPO, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY, 10087-9068 or given at or through any United Methodist church

One hundred percent of all Advance contributions go to the designated cause.

The United Methodist community in Ukraine, though quite small, is actively engaged in assisting neighbors in need. Global Ministries is in touch with the church’s leadership as well as with church leaders in countries welcoming those who are fleeing from violence in Ukraine.





*I want to give a big thank you to everyone who came and enjoyed the Easter Egg Hunt! It seemed to be a good time had by all! There were so many eggs filled that we started to run out because there was so much candy! The snacks, cupcakes, cookies and jello were all delicious and very much appreciated! Thank you to Cara Stoklosa for her help setting up and getting last minute items!! I'd also like to give a huge thank you to Dianne LeSeuer for all your help in the kitchen! I couldn't have done it without you!! Finally, a great big thank you to the church for all of your donations! It truly would not have been possible without all of your support!*

*Sincerely,  
Shawna Johns*



The choir will be taking the summer off. If you would like to do special music please contact Lori or Lisa at the church office. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.



The Vandergrift Area Meals on Wheels is looking to expand service to Leechburg. This will only be possible if they have additional drivers. If you would be interested in helping them expand this vital and needed ministry, please contact Sarabeth Stopansky at 724-831-8112.



**\*Save the date\***

*Saturday July 9, 2022*

Kiski River Kayak / Canoe Paddle Trip. The plan is to paddle from Avonmore to Roaring Run. We will be on the water for 3 -4 hours. You can bring your own boat or rent one for the day. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.



**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE**

**TODAY, May 1 Native American Ministries Sunday**

- 9:00 AM -Sunday school
- 10:00 AM -Worship Service
- 11:00 AM -Mission Outreach Take Out Luncheon

**MONDAY, May 2**

- 6:45 PM -Choir Practice

**TUESDAY, May 3**

- 7:00 PM -Trustees Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00 PM -Women's Prayer Group (Zoom)

**WEDNESDAY, May 4**

- 2:45 PM -Caring Crockpot Ministry
- 6:00 PM -Girl Scouts (Upstairs Classroom)

**THURSDAY, May 5**

- 7:00 PM -Al-Anon Meeting

**SUNDAY, May 8 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

- 9:00 AM - Sunday school
- 10:00 AM - Worship Service



The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the Glory of God in honor of Colton's 25<sup>th</sup> birthday on May 1<sup>st</sup> by Chris & Paula Kalmar.

The **BULLETINS** are given to the Glory of God in memory & celebration of Grandma (Josephine) Womer & Lisa's birthday (April 27) by June Womer.



A memorial has been given to the Feeding Our Neighbors Fund in loving memory of:

✝ Dr. Kenneth Mikolas  
by Bill & Lori Klingensmith

A memorial has been given to the Feeding Our Neighbors Fund in loving memory of:

✝ Jane Nigro  
by Bill & Lori Klingensmith





We will be doing cooperative VBS with Hebron Lutheran & First Evangelical Lutheran in the mornings of June 20-24<sup>th</sup>. We are using the "Monumental" theme from Group Publishing. We need volunteers to help with: decorating, leading crafts/science, games, snacks, and other stuff!

Let Pastor Sara know if you have any questions or want to get involved with VBS this summer. :)



The choir will practice Monday, May 2, 9, 16, & 23 at 6:45 pm. If you have 1 hour a week and enjoy singing come join us on Monday nights. I can't wait to see you all!



The Choir would like to display photos of your mothers on the Power Point during their anthem in honor of Mother's Day on Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to be a part of this please email a digital photo ([lfumc251@comcast.net](mailto:lfumc251@comcast.net)) or bring a physical copy to the office by Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please call the office.



We will have a Mother's Day Dinner (Pot Luck) on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. We hope to see you there!



The Diner's Club will meet on Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. at the Villa. Please call in reservations to June Womer (724-845-1607) or the church office.



## Announcements from the Outreach/Mission Team

We would like to thank everyone for your support during our Ham give away. We were able to give out 54 hams this year!!! We also thank you for supporting our luncheons which help us continue to feed our community.

We will be making bag lunches for the LHS Staff on May 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m., please mark your calendars if you would like to help.

We will be having a meeting on May 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. If you are interested in joining our team, come and do God's work by serving others.

We are looking for people to help with the Crockpot Ministry for May. If you're interested in helping, but cannot attend the meeting, please contact Lori at 724-845-8109.

We will be making sandwiches for the community this summer on June 14<sup>th</sup>, July 12<sup>th</sup>, and August 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am. If you would like to join us, we would love to have your help! We look forward to seeing you as we continue to be God's hands and feet!

Thank you for your continued support in all of our outreach projects!



The First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Leechburg is in need of gently used children's clothing donations for their clothing closet. All other clothing, shoes, and handbag donations are welcome. Please wash all clothes before donating. If you have any questions please call their church office 724-845-7518.

