



*With the grace of God,  
we will cultivate a compassionate  
community that loves like Jesus,  
grows in faith, and serves those  
in need.*

**WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD**

**WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INVOCATION**

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: The world outside worries us.

**All: The worlds in our homes, in our heads, and in our hearts spin with anxiety.**

Leader: Christ, call us to the quiet center.

**All: We come to worship and receive God's peace.**

Leader: We come to remember how to trust our creator.

**All: Let us worship our God, who is caring for us right now. Amen.**

**\* OPENING HYMN**      *"LEANING ON THE EVERLASTING ARMS"*  
#560 RED

**\* PASSING OF THE PEACE**      Greetings

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

**CHILDREN'S CHAT**

**PRAYERS OF ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON SCRIPTURE:**      *PHILIPPIANS 3: 13-14*  
*MATTHEW 6:31-34*

**SERMON TITLE:**      "HOW TO BE HERE"

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**RESPONDING IN SONG:**      *"Times Like These"*  
*BY THE FOO FIGHTERS*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**RESPONDING WITH OUR GIFTS**

**MUSICAL OFFERING:**      *"LUCKIEST MAN"*  
*By The Wood Brothers*

**\* THE DOXOLOGY**

**WE DEPART TO DO GOD'S WORK**

**\* BENEDICTION AND BLESSING**

**\* CLOSING HYMN**      *"Let My Love Cover You"*  
*By Damion Suami*

**\* WE BLESS EACH OTHER**      *"God Be with You"*  
*Using ASL*

**\* POSTLUDE**

**Those in Need of Prayer**

**CCUCC MEMBERS:**

Elaine Valentine, Glenn Owen, Jessica Parsons, Chris Rothgery, Ed Lotko, Marge Ward, Marilyn Parker, Adam Szudarek, Judy Hutchinson, Holly McCain, Karen Boas, Sally Hartley, Terry Bruce, Jane Stilgenbauer, and John Bassett

**Friends of CCUCC:**

Julie Bober, Dave Henry, Karl Hartley, Crystal Farmer

*Upcoming Events*

**Tuesday:**  
Guitar Club @ 6:30pm

**Wednesday:**  
Choir practice @ 6pm  
Bell practice @ 7pm

**Thursday:**  
Men's Bible Study Group @ 7am  
Women's Bible Study Group @ 10am



## Love Like Jesus

**MEMORIAL MUSIC FUND:** At the family's request, a memorial fund for our music program has been established in memory of Mary Miller. If you would like to contribute, clearly mark your envelope "In Memory of Mary Miller" and it will be added to the fund. Thank you.

**SENIOR RECOGNITION:** CCUCC will be recognizing our graduates next Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. This is the last week to get your senior into the program for next week. Please email AC at [office@theccucc.org](mailto:office@theccucc.org)

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Fill out a form in the back of the sanctuary or email your requests to the office at [office@theccucc.org](mailto:office@theccucc.org) **before Thursday at 10am.** If a prayer request is needed between Friday afternoon and Sunday morning, please directly contact Pastor Brian at 336-420-7840

**PRAISE REPORTS:** On the bottom half of the prayer request forms, you can submit a praise report to share the exciting things that God has been doing in your life! You can also email these to AC st [office@theccucc.org](mailto:office@theccucc.org)

**UPPER ROOM:** We have copies of the **MAY/JUNE** Upper Room available in the back of the sanctuary. Please contact the office via email at [office@theccucc.org](mailto:office@theccucc.org) if you would like a copy mailed to you.



## Grow in Faith

**MEN'S BIBLE GROUP:** The men's group will meet on **every Thursday** at Commando Coffee Co., formally Sandstone Coffee, in Amherst from **7am-9am.** Pastor Brian Russell will lead the group.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE GROUP:** The women's group will be meeting on **Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am.** Join them for fellowship every first and third Thursday of the month!

**VBS: Enroll NOW!** The 2026 VBS "Rainforest Falls" Exploring the nature of God will be the week of July 13-17<sup>th</sup> from 9am until noon. Register at [www.theccucc.org](http://www.theccucc.org) and click the VBS 2026 button at the top. Contact Beth Naro at 440-396-9220 for questions or concerns

### Worship Participants & Staff

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**NEW Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9am to 1pm**

Emily Marty .....	Music Director
Jim Bryda .....	Bass
Brian Russell .....	Guitar
Elizabeth Russell, John Hermann .....	Vocals
Max Lotko .....	Bell Choir Director
Cindi Manning .....	Treasurer
Melissa Thompson .....	Youth Director
John Herrmann .....	AV Production Manager
AC Cornelius .....	Office Manager

**Please silence your cell phones.**

If able, stand where marked with an asterisk (\*).  
A large print Bible & hymnal are available upon request.



### Serve Those in Need

**MISSION OF THE MONTH: LCCC CHILDCARE SCHOLARSHIP**  
Donations help to provide childcare for students raising their children while continuing higher education with the Lorain County Community College.



**MAY 17, 2026**

*Love. Grow. Serve.*