

AN OPEN & AFFIRMING CONGREGATION With the grace of God, we will cultivate a compassionate community that loves like Jesus, grows in faith and serves those ín need.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INVOCATION

* CALL TO WORSHIP: (From Ephesians 1:3-10)

Minister: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

Together: Just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love.

Minister: He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will...

Together: to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us, in the Beloved.

Minister: In him we have redemption through his sacrifice, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, that he lavished on us.

Together: With all wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will, that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. Amen

* WE SING A HYMN:

"Star Spangled Banner" By Francis Scott Key

* PASSING OF THE PEACE	Greetings
WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD	
CHILDREN'S CHAT	
PRAYERS OF ILLUMINATION	
SERMON SCRIPTURE:	2 Samuel 23:13-17 Matthew 26:6-13
SERMON TITLE:	"THE SACRIFICE MAKES IT SACRED"
WE RESPOND	TO GOD'S WORD
Responding in Song:	"Free" By Gungol
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	
RESPONDING WITH OUR GIFTS	
MUSICAL OFFERING:	"Be Thou My Vision" Bell Choir Arrangement
* THE DOXOLOGY	
WE DEPART TC	DO GOD'S WORK
* BENEDICTION and Blessing	"The Lord Bless You & Keep You
* CLOSING HYMN	"We Shall Be Free" By Garth Brooks
* Postlude	

Those in Need of Prayer

CCUCC MEMBERS: Elaine Valentine, Marge Ward, Nancy Golden, Sandy Darvas, Kathy Summers, Marilyn Parker, Adam Szudarek, Judy Hutchinson, Shirley Gilreath, Holly McCain, Karen Boas, Sally Hartley, Mary Miller, Terry Bruce, Jane Stilgenbauer and John Bassett

Friends of CCUCC: Donna, Tom D., Chad, Missy, Tracy, Ken, Sharon, Kat, Levi, Glenda, Tracey, Paul, Sara, Sharon L., Ron P., Sharon, Tanna, Ken P., Don, Dee, Jami, Carol, Jill and Larry, Josh, Bruce, Aaron, Naomi, Michael, Dave, Linda, Ron, Mike, Matt M, and Tom

Upcoming Events

Today: Lorain Community Meal @ 12:30pm

Monday: Memorial Day



Love Like Jesus

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please email all prayer requests to the office at <u>office@theccucc.org</u> 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

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 <u>office@theccucc.org</u> if you would like a copy mailed to you.



Grow in Faith

HIGH SCHOOL SS: High School Sunday School will resume in the fall.

TEEN GROUP: Teen group meetings will resume in the fall.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION: We will be recognizing our members and youth who will be graduating from high school and/or college at our **Sunday, June 1st** service.

VBS: Save the date for this year's Vacation Bible School!!! This year we will follow our *True North* as we trek through Alaska! VBS is open to all children ages 3 and up (must be potty trained), and it will be free for all participants again this year. We hope to see all of YOU there **June 23-27 9am to 12pm**! Registration is now open!

YOUTH CAMP: Summer Youth Camp will be at <u>Camp Christian</u>, Disciples of Christ, in Marysville, OH for those youth interested.

Worship Participants & Staff

379 South Main Street Amherst, OH 44001 440.988.9148 office@TheCCUCC.org Rev. Brian Russell Minister call/text 336.420.7840 pastor@TheCCUCC.org

www.TheCCUCC.org Office Hours: Tuesday thru Friday 8:30am to 12:30pm

Emily Marty	Music Director
Brian Russell	Guitar
Jim Bryda	Bass
Crosby Marty	Drums
Mackenzie Calin	Bugle
Choir, Tim Hoffman, Brian & Elizabeth Russell .	Vocals
Max Lotko	. Bell Choir Director
Ben Thompson	Flag Bearer
Shelly Hoffman	Office Manager
Melissa Thompson	Youth Director
Melissa Thompson	Children's Chat
John HerrmannAV I	Production Manager

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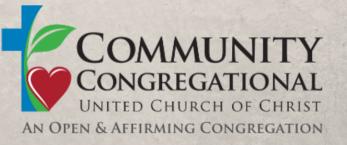
If able, stand where marked with an asterisk (*). A large print Bible & hymnal are available upon request.



MISSION OF THE MONTH: LCCC Childcare Scholarship

The Children's Learning Center at LCCC has been providing the highest quality education and care for our community's children for over 42 years. For \$137, one child can attend the Learning Center full-time for one week. This is an incredibly affordable rate; however, many parents are unable to pay for it. Your donation this month will support tuition "scholarships" for children at the Learning Center, ensuring no child is turned away due to the inability to pay.





MAY 25, 2025

Love. Serve. Grow.