

Participants in this morning's Worship Service

PastorRev Bruce McDaniel
Organist..... Linda Allen
Pianist..... Kathy Bame
Liturgist Nancy Shrider
Greeters: East Vicky Allen and Carole Fitzwater
North Bruce and Deb Smith
Ushers..... Jay and Anne Deutschman

Stewardship of Time and Talents, April 19, 2015

General.....\$961.50 Coffee/Outreach \$10.00
Parsonage.....\$75.00 Native American Ministries..... \$25.00
Hospitalization\$100.00 Attendance..... 40

Schedule of Events and Meetings for this Week

Today, April 26, 2015 9:00 AM Worship
..... 10:00 AM Sunday School
Monday, April 27, 2015..... 9:00 AMSermon Shaping
..... 6:30 PM Lion's Club
Friday, May 1, 2015..... 8:00 AM REACH (all day)

Announcements and Reminders



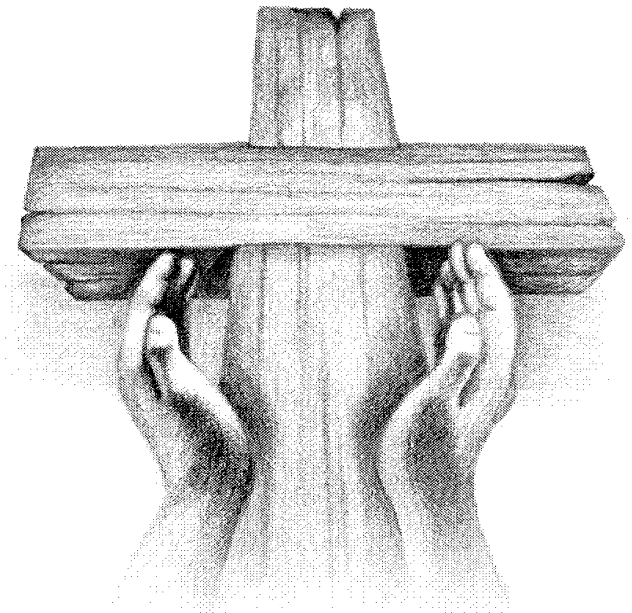
The annual **MOTHER AND CHILD DINNER** will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at 6pm. Reservations are required and can be made with either Millie Broka or Anne Deutschman. Deadline date is Sunday, 5/10/15. This dinner is in honor of all women, we hope to see you there. A free will donation is requested.

Mark your calendars now for Christ UMC **ANNUAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL**. Monday, May 25th, 2015, and please tell your friends.

The Portage Lions Club continues to collect old reading and/or prescription **EYEGASSES** you no longer use. The eyeglasses are cleaned and given to those in need. Please place them in the box located in the Narthex, at CUMC. Thank you.

The Outreach Committee at CUMC would appreciate receiving the following **LABELS**: 1) **BOX TOPS** for Education 2) Campbell Soup labels 3) and any current **COUPONS** that you are not able to use.

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301 West Main Street
Portage, Ohio 43451-0218*



THIS IS HOW WE KNOW WHAT LOVE IS:
**JESUS CHRIST LAID DOWN
HIS LIFE FOR US.**

1 JOHN 3:16

Worship: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Christ Church Vision Statement:
CHRISTIAN SERVANTS UNITED IN MISSION TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD
[HTTP://HOME.DACOR.NET/CHRISTUMC/](http://home.dacor.net/christumc/)

Christ United Methodist Church

April 26th, 2015
4th Sunday of Easter Day

We Gather for Worship

*(this symbol is an invitation to stand if you are able)

Sharing of Events and Ministries

Invitation to Encounter the Holy

Prelude

*Call to Become Aware of God's presence

We gather in the presence of our God where grieving people and children with skinned knees have their tears wiped away.

We gather as the little children of God: to worship the One who provides what we need, not what we want.

We gather around the Table of God: to taste the goodness of God, to drink deeply from God's mercy.

*Hymn #313 "Cristo Vive" (Christ Lives, Christ is Risen)

*Prayer for God's Assistance (Liturgist only)

Lead us, Creator God into all those places where we will discover your hope waiting to nourish and restore our famished souls.

Lead us, Nurturer of little children, into all those places where we may have the joy of filling the emptiness of others with your goodness.

Lead us, Spirit of Goodness, into all those places where deeds of kindness and hands overflowing with mercy speak louder than platitudes.

God who is revealed in community, lead us into deeper communion with one another.

We Proclaim God's Word

Time with the Children

"Talking and Doing"

Reading the Sacred Text

1 John 3:16-24

Interpreting the Sacred Text

"Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words if necessary."

We Respond to God's Word

Offering our Prayer

Sharing Our Prayers

Silence and Meditation

Prayer Song #700 "Abide with Me" (pause after each verse for a short prayer)

Offering our Presence, Gifts, Service and Witness

*Doxology, Prayer of Thanks

As we offer our gifts to you, Gentle Shepherd, may we lay down our prejudices towards others, so they might find a welcome in our hearts; may we set aside our fears of the future, so you might lead us into your future, may we become the goodness and mercy for which others have been looking all their lives. May it be so.

We are Sent Forth

Hymn #327 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

A Blessing

Left Side: Let us go to be bold before God.

Right Side We will speak up for all people who long for healing and hope.

Left Side Let us go and walk with Jesus' sisters and brothers.

Right Side We will risk our lives for justice, we will serve the outcast.

Left Side Let us go and let the Spirit flow through our actions

Right Side We will bring goodness and mercy to all whose lives need restoring.



Prayer/Concerns Requests

Linda Allen

Family of Wayne Allen

Richard Angel

Jim Avery

Family of Peggy Biller

John Castner

Joanne Hatchor

Jessalyn Pearce

Joe Perez

Eileen Smith

Family of Drew Tyson

Joshua, Sarah & Jarrod Boltz

Mike & Courtney Foore

