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CANTON, OHIO

**CROSSROADS**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## CHRISTIANITY & THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS

### UNDERSTANDING AND LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS

**Sunday, February 9, 2025**

*Prayer candles are available at the communion rail  
Financial gifts may be made in the wooden offering boxes  
Please silence your electronic devices*

#### **THE GATHERING & CARILLON PRELUDE**

#### **THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

*Ma Tovu* Michael D McClish  
*(How Beautiful Are Thy Tents, O Jacob)*

#### **THE CALL TO WORSHIP\***

*Liturgist*

We come, for God gathers us here with that  
community called faith.

**Where the hungry are served first,  
where the thirsty drink life's water.**

*Liturgist*

We come, for God welcomes us here into that home  
called grace.

**Where the naked are clothed in robes of  
hope;  
where the stranger is embraced  
as the long-lost prodigal.**

*Liturgist*

We come, for God reunites us here, sisters and  
brothers in that family called love.

**Where the imprisoned model justice,  
where the sick are cradled in God's  
peace.**

**AMEN.**

#### **THE ENTRANCE HYMN\***

*I'll Praise My Maker  
While I've Breath*

UMH #60

#### **THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION\***

God of love,  
you created us to love you  
and one another.

**We confess that we have sometimes  
limited that love to words,  
and failed to make that love real  
by our actions.**

**We have failed to recognize Christ in the  
hungry, the thirsty, the homeless,  
the naked, the incarcerated  
and the sick.**

**Too often, we have turned away from  
your presence,  
failing to share what we have with our  
brothers and sisters in need.**

**Forgive us.**

**Turn our hearts,  
and guide us to follow in your ways  
anew. AMEN.**

#### **THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON\***

*Pastor*

Our God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and  
abounding in steadfast love.

**God is good to all,  
and has compassion for all creation.**

#### **THE GLORIA PATRI\***

UMH #70

#### **THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

#### **THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Isaiah 6: 1 - 13

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Pastor*  
Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

**THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC** Ruth Morris Gray  
*Go Down, Moses* Text at UMH #448

**THE THANKSGIVING & DOXOLOGY\***  
UMH #94

**THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**  
Matthew 25: 35 - 40

**THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD** TFWS #2176  
*Make Me a Servant*

**THE MESSAGE** The Reverend Don Ackerman  
*Judaism*

**THE CLOSING HYMN\*** UMH #111  
*How Can We Name a Love*

**THE BENEDICTION\***

**THE POSTLUDE** Norman Warren  
*Benedic, Anima Mea*  
*(Bless the Lord, O My Soul)*

\* - Please stand as you are able  
UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal  
TFWS - The Faith We Sing

## PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

Nancy Miller  
*Liturgist*

The Reverend Don Ackerman  
*Pastor*

### The Crossroads Men's Ensemble

Christopher Dazey  
*Organist, Pianist & Carillonneur*

Happy  
Birthday

2/10 – Stephanie Bradford,  
Ted Hall, Marshall Thompson  
2/15 – Beth Polen  
2/16 – Amy Dunlap-Groves

## Spring Newsletter

**Deadline:**  
**NEXT Sunday, February 16**

Submit your items to Christopher Dazey:  
[christopher@crossroads120.org](mailto:christopher@crossroads120.org)

## Camp Wanake Work Day

Saturday, April 5, 2025 \* 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Lunch Included  
Volunteers Needed! - See Jim Kennedy

## Easter Flowers

**Easter flower order forms are available  
in the rear of the sanctuary**  
Form must be received by Palm Sunday, April 13,  
to be included in the Easter Sunday bulletin

## The Village

### A Moms Helping Moms Ministry

Our Village ministry  
is currently in need of:

Girls pajamas & outfits, 2T  
Infant/Child-Size washcloths & towels  
Socks, newborn to 2T, boys & girls

Bring your donation to the church office or see Erin Ackerman

## LENTEN ORGAN VESPERS

**Sunday, March 9**  
**4:00 pm**

Featuring  
Manuel Halkias, Reader  
Christopher Dazey, Organist

Join us for this thoughtful and meditative beginning  
to the penitential season of Lent

Turn from evil and do good.  
Seek peace and pursue it.

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Psalm 34: 15

To help keep our sacred space clean, at the conclusion of the service,  
please return this bulletin to one of the wooden tables located throughout the sanctuary

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