



Sunday, August 31, 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

Bind Us Together David Blackwell
Text & Tune at TFWS #2226

THE CALL TO WORSHIP*

Liturgist

Children of God, when we witness the needs of
strangers and listen to the struggles of our friends,
remember:

Let mutual love continue.

Liturgist

When we hear the struggles of those in prison and
recognize the suffering of people near and far,
remember:

Let mutual love continue.

Liturgist

When temptations to hoard more money, more
power, and more influence surround us on every
side, remember:

Let mutual love continue.

Liturgist

As we gather for worship, remember: God is here
among us, surrounding us with love and forming
us to live in love everywhere we go.

**We choose to cooperate with God's love
today and every day,
so that mutual love will continue
wherever we go and whatever we do.**

AMEN.

THE ENTRANCE HYMN*

For the Beauty of the Earth

UMH #92
vss. 1, 4 - 6

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

Liturgist

Knowing that our God journeys with us in our
confusion, our doubts, our failings, our struggles,
we now come humbly before God to ask for mercy.

For the times we fail to offer hospitality to those in
our world who suffer injustice, oppression and
poverty, we pray:

God, have mercy on us and your people.

Liturgist

For the times we lack courage to address the causes
of injustice, oppression, and poverty, we pray to
our God:

God, have mercy on us and your people.

Liturgist

For the times we give in to despair and resignation
when confronted with the injustice of our world,
we pray to our God:

God, have mercy on us and your people.

Liturgist

For the times we allow our fears to triumph over the
call to solidarity, we pray to our God:

God, have mercy on us and your people.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

Pastor

Merciful God, receive our petitions. Heal the
brokenness in our hearts and in our world caused
by injustice, indifference, selfishness and fear.
Open our hearts to hear the cries of your suffering
people. Support us as we seek to respond in mutual
love and hospitality.

AMEN.

THE GLORIA PATRI*

UMH #70

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

THE PSALM

Psalm 81: 1, 10 - 16

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

THE THANKSGIVING & DOXOLOGY*

UMH #94

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Hebrews 13: 1 - 8, 15 - 16

THE MESSAGE The Reverend Don Ackerman
Let Mutual Love Continue

THE CLOSING HYMN*

UMH #111

How Can We Name a Love

THE BENEDICTION*

THE POSTLUDE Samuel Sebastian Wesley
Choral Song

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

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Reverend Don Ackerman
Pastor

Lisa Varavvas
Liturgist

Julie Smith
Director of Children's Ministries

Christopher Dazey
Organist, Pianist & Carillonneur

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THIS WEEK AT CROSSROADS

Wednesday, September 3

Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:00 am - Wesley Hall

Friday, September 5

Gibbs Food Ministry
2:00 pm - Education Wing

**Crossroads
Community Action**

Our Next Meetings:

Sundays, September 7 & 21

11:15 am - Wesley Hall
See Megan Smith for details
Everyone is welcome!

**Bishop Hee-Soo Jung
To Visit Crossroads**

**Monday, September 8, 2025
9:00 AM**

If you have this Monday morning free,
you are welcome to be part of the conversation
and meet our new Ohio Bishop in person!

Choir Rehearsals Resume

Sunday, September 7

8:30 am - The Choir Room

FALL KICKOFF

Sunday, September 14, 2025



CANTON, OHIO
CROSSROADS
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Communion • Church Picture Day • Choir Returns

10 am in the Sanctuary

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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