



"Goodness is the only investment that never fails." Henry David Thoreau

GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES	Rosie Michael
WELCOME GREETING	Pastor Karen Griswold
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Bill Warner
*CALL TO WORSHIP	
Leader: Come, all who thirst—come to the water!	
PEOPLE: You who long for the water of life—come and drink!	
Leader: Dip your soul in the river of God’s goodness;	
PEOPLE: quench your thirst at God’s well of grace.	
Leader: For God is here among us, offering living water to all who would drink!	
ALL: Let us drink in the goodness of God’s healing love as we worship this day!	
*HYMN	<u>“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”</u> #90
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING	
OFFERTORY	
*RESPONSE & PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	<u>“Awesome God”</u> 1 st 2 lines #179
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION	
SPECIAL MUSIC	<u>“Jesus is Living in Me”</u> by James Easter Gary Heath
YOUNG PEOPLE’S MOMENT	Penny Higgins
PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in Unison)	
<p>Wellspring of salvation, when we are parched from thirst and turn to the dry wells of worldly promise, restore us with the healing waters of your grace; When the course ahead is littered with wreckage from the past, wash away our transgressions and our sorrows, and carry us forward on the river of your mercy and your love. Shower us with your living water, and refresh our souls, that we may be washed clean in the river of your forgiveness and grace. Amen</p>	
WORDS OF ASSURANCE	Pastor Karen Griswold
PASTORAL PRAYER	
SILENT MEDITATION	
THE LORD’S PRAYER	
*HYMN	<u>“O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee”</u> #665
SCRIPTURE	John 4:5-42 (NIV) Bill Warner
TODAY’S MESSAGE	<u>“Wellspring”</u> Pastor Karen Griswold
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISIM	see screens for responses
*HYMN	<u>“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”</u> #293
*BLESSING & BENEDICTION	
*CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE	<u>“There is a Redeemer”</u> vs 1 #308
POSTLUDE	*Please stand if you are able.

CHURCH EVENTS & ANNOUNCETS

The candle on the altar represents our continued prayers for Peace.

THIS WEEK

- TODAY** 4:00 – 6:30 pm Scout meetings
- Mar 9** 6:00 pm Pastoral Relations Team Meeting
- Mar 10** 9:30 am Tuesday Mornings – prayer and scripture review
- Mar 11** 6:00 pm Consider This – discussion
- Mar 14** 6:00 pm Small Group at Andy Bec Smith’s home
- Mar 15** Education Team Meeting after Church
- 5:00 pm** In Unison -Youth event at the Church (grades 3-7)
- Mar 19** Newsletter deadline – please send information to Kathy Etgen
- Mar 22** Worship Team meeting after Church
- Unity Youth (2nd grade and younger) and parents after Church
- 2:30 pm** Otterbein-Green Hills service

COMING UP

- March Missionary Aide project is children’s clothing. Donations of new or gently used clothing, new socks & underwear for all ages - tots to teens will be greatly appreciated and can be placed in the overflow room.
- During the month of March, One Great Hour of Sharing donations will be collected. This offering helps rebuild from disaster, feed the hungry, provide clean water to the thirsty, empower the oppressed, and restore hope. Offering envelopes are in the pew holders.
- Your continued support is appreciated and may be mailed to West Liberty UCC, PO Box 427, West Liberty, OH 43357.

PRAYER REQUESTS and JOYS

Praying for someone is like wrapping them in a blanket of God’s Love



Vicki Lingrell	Marcus Taylor	Rick & Renay Fullerton	Tony Grant	Joe Buck	James Kaelin
Diana Defibaugh	Mark Wilson	Deb Pattee-Chiles	Bud Tomlinson	Sammy McInnis	
Our Confirmands	Our nursing home residents & shut-ins	Our service men & women			

**** Christian sympathies extended to the family & friends of Pat Whalen and Bill Figley****

Serving Today

Organist: Rosie Michael	Nursery: Julie McIntosh	Sound: Elisa Lash
Song Leader: Lauren Flora	Youth Message: Penny Higgins	Screens: Kaylee Powell
Ministers: The Entire Congregation	Jr. Church: Julie & Olivia Wilcox	Videotaping: Bec Smith

Serving Next Week (Mar 15, 2026)

Organist: Rosie Michael	Nursery: Julie & Olivia Wilcox	Sound: Dennis McIntosh
Song Leader: Lauren Flora	Youth Message: Carole Wilson	Screens: Brandy Powell
Ministers: The Entire Congregation	Jr. Church: Rob Painter	Videotaping: Bec Smith