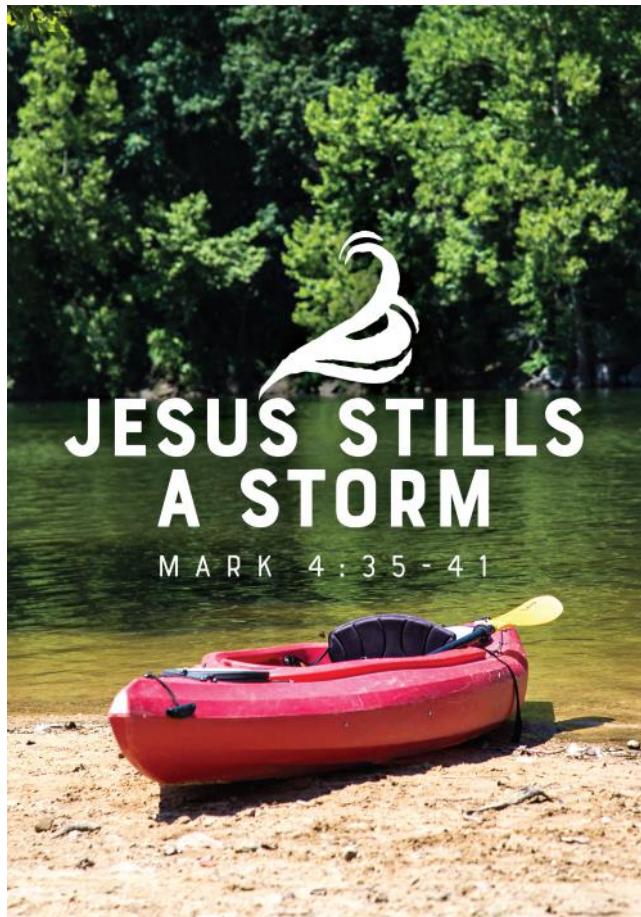

WELCOME TO FIRST LUTHERAN

Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation! Now we are in the storm, the boat almost swamped; but Jesus is here now, and when we call him, he will calm the storm. Even the wind and waves listen to him as they would to their creator. We also listen to him and are called to believe in the power of God's word in him, a power greater than all that we fear.



**First Lutheran
Church**

Tiffin, Ohio

**June 23, 2024
“The 5th Sunday
after Pentecost”**

PRELUDE

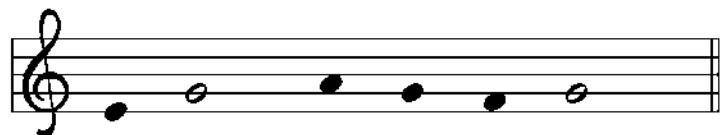
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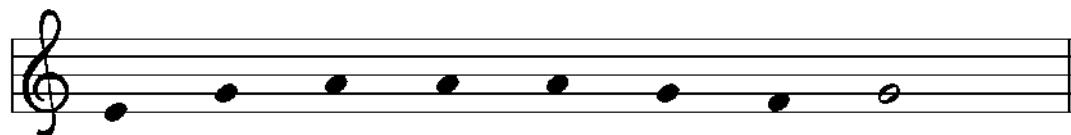
*All Things Bright and Beautiful
Eight Hymn Settings for Organ
VI. Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me*

Please stand.

THE OPENING



O Lord, open my lips,



and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE CONFESSION

L: As a community of faith, we celebrate:

C: God is among us!

L: Together we are called:

C: To go out!

L: We are called:

C: To care for all!

L: We are called:

C: To proclaim the gospel!

L: We are called:

C: To forgive and reconcile!

L: We are called:

C: To trust God for all that we need!

P: As a people of faith, we have forgotten our calling. We have forgotten to care for our neighbor. We have failed to proclaim the gospel. We seek forgiveness, and we long to fully trust God for everything. Knowing our brokenness, we turn to God with a repentant heart.

A time of silence and reflection.

P: Most Merciful God,

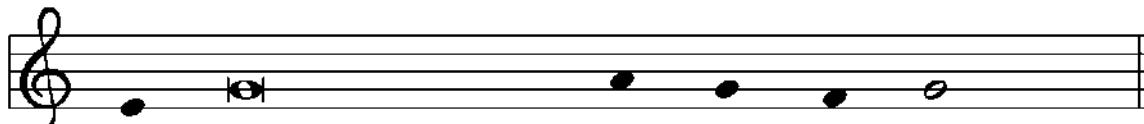
C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: Hear the Good News! God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. May the Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, so that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C: Amen.

THE PSALMODY

Introduction



Give glory to God, our light and our life.



Oh, come, let us wor - ship and praise.

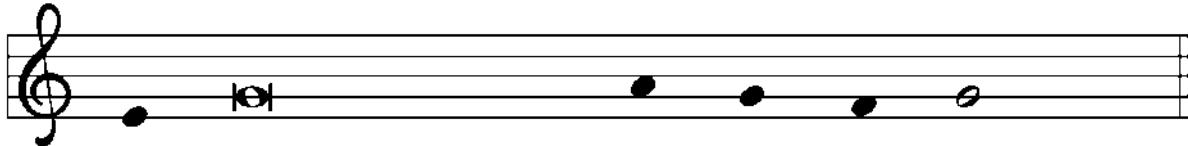
Verses will be sung by our Cantor.

Refrain

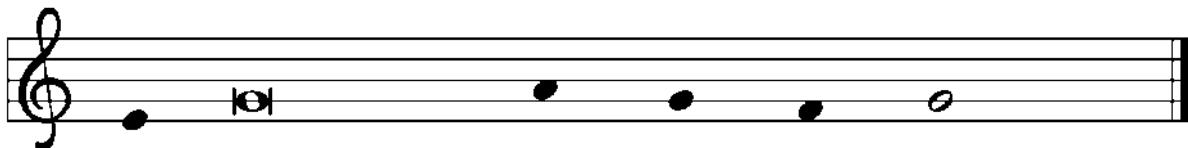
Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us

shout for joy to the rock of our sal - va - tion.

Final response:



Give glory to God, our light and our life.



Oh, come, let us worship and praise.

THE GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C: **And also with you!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

A READING FROM JOB

38:1-11

R: A reading from Job the 38th chapter.

¹The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?³Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?—⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band,¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors,¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped?’”

R: The Word of the Lord!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

A READING FROM 2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13

R: A reading from 2 Corinthians the 6th chapter.

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience,

kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

R: The Word of the Lord!
C: **Thanks be to God!**

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

THE GOSPEL **MARK 4:35-41**

P: This is the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 4th chapter.

C: 
Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

P: ³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: 
Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

HYMN OF THE DAY

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JESUS, SAVIOR, PILOT ME

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1 Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me
 2 As a moth - er stills her child, thou - ver
 3 When at last I near the shore, and canst the

life's tem - pes - tuous sea; un - known waves be - fore me
 hush the o - cean wild; bois - t'rous waves o - bcy thy
 fear - ful break - ers roar twixt me and the peace - ful

roll, hid - ing rock and treach - 'rous shoal; chart and
 will when thou say'st to them: "Be still." Won - drous
 rest, then, while lean - ing on thy breast, may I

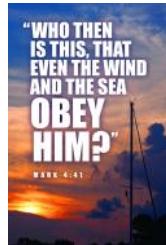
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com - pass come from thee. Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 sov - 'reign of the sea, Je - sus, Sav - ior, pi - lot me.
 hear thee say to me: "Fear not, I will pi - lot thee."

Text: Edward Hopper, 1818–1888
Music: PILOT, John Edgar Gould, 1822–1875

TODAY'S REFLECTION

Rev. Clayton J. Bailey



Please stand.

THE GOSPEL CANTICLE # 552 BLESSED BE THE GOD OF ISRAEL

1 Blessed be the God of Is - rael, who comes to set us free,
2 Now from the house of Da - vid a child of grace has come,
3 On all by death im - pris - oned the sun be - gins to rise,

who vis - its and re - deems us, and grants us lib - er - ty.
a Sav - ior who will lead us to our e - ter - nal home.
the dawn-ing of for - give - ness up - on the sin - ner's eyes,

The proph - ets spoke of mer - cy, of free - dom and re - lease;
Be - fore him goes the her - ald, fore - run - ner in the way,
to guide the feet of pil - grims a - long the paths of peace;

God shall ful - fill the prom - ise to bring our peo - ple peace.
the proph - et of sal - va - tion, the har - bin - ger of day.
oh, bless our God and Sav - ior with songs that nev - er cease!

Text: Michael Perry, 1942-1996, based on Luke 1:68-79

Music: MERLE'S TUNE, Hal H. Hopson, b. 1933

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NICENE CREED

P: Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith as expressed in the words of the Nicene Creed:

C: **We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,**

**eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,**

**begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;**

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

**was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

**who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

Please be seated.

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Six General Hymn Improvisations, Set 2

VI. Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

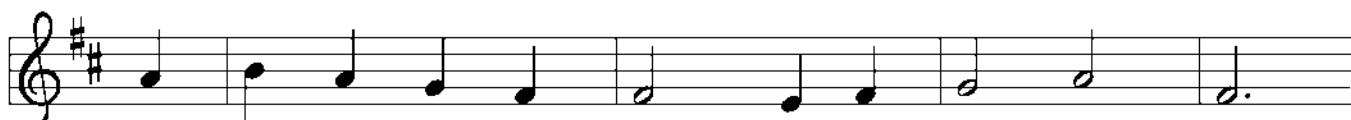
OFFERING HYMN

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LORD, TAKE MY HAND AND LEAD ME



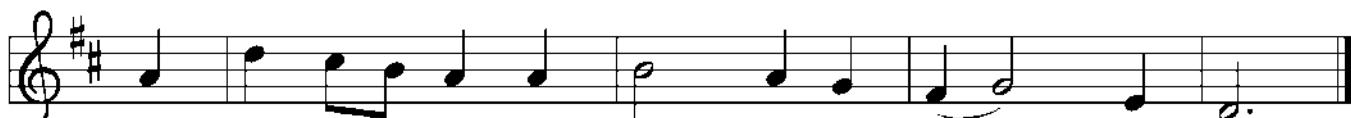
1 Lord, take my hand and lead me up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en and night has come,



di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me from day to day.
for you, the Rock of A - ges, are al - ways near.
I know that you will strength - en my steps toward home,



With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!



so take my hand, O Sav - ior, and lead the way.
for when your hand is guid - ing, in peace I go.
So, take my hand and lead me un - to the end.

Text: Julie von Hausmann, 1825–1901; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*

Music: SO NIMM DENN MEINE HÄNDE, Friedrich Silcher, 1789–1860

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You are invited to kneel, or remain seated as you are able.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Let us pray.

L: Mighty God of mercy, we thank you for the resurrection dawn, bringing the glory of our risen Lord who makes every day new. Especially we thank you:

For the sustaining goodness of your creation...

For the new creation in Christ and all gifts of healing and forgiveness...

For the gifts of relationship with others...

For the communion of faith in your church...

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Merciful God of might, renew this weary world, heal the hurts of all your children, and bring about your peace for all in Christ Jesus, the living Lord. Especially we pray:

For those who govern nations of the world...

For the people in countries ravaged by strife or warfare...

For all who work for peace and international harmony...

For all who strive to save the earth from carelessness and destruction...

For the church of Jesus Christ in every land...

L: Lord in your mercy,

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us in safety to this new day. Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin nor be overcome in adversity, In all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

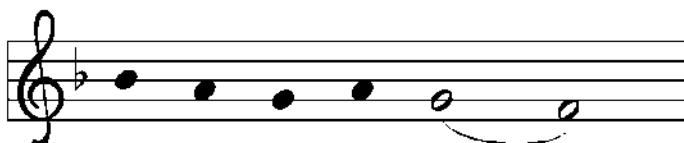
C: Amen.

LORD 'S PRAYER

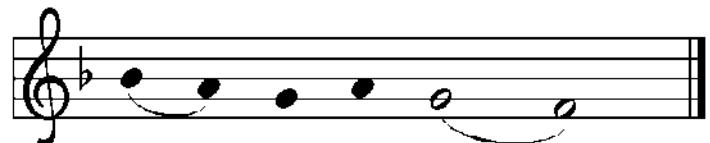
L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our
trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For
thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever
and ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING



Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

P: You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, free to serve your neighbor. May God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit bless you, that you may be a blessing to others.



Please stand.

SENDING SONG

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MY LIFE FLOWS ON IN ENDLESS SONG



1 My life flows on in end - less song; a - bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion,
2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
3 What though my joys and com-forts die? The Lord my Sav-ior liv - eth.
4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun - tain ev - er spring-ing!



I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
What though the dark - ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv - eth.
All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.



Since Christ is Lord of heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

Text: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899

Music: HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING. Robert Lowry, alt.

THE SENDING

P: Go in peace.
L: Serve the Lord with gladness!
C: **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

ENDLESS SONG

Anna Laura Page

I Will Ever Sing to Thee
IV. *How Can I Keep from Singing?*

Today's Worship Leaders

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This Week's Calendar

Sunday		June 23
10:00 am	Worship on The 5th Sunday of Pentecost	
Wednesday		June 26
5:30 pm	Council Meeting	
Thursday		June 27
1:00 pm	West Ohio Food Bank	
Next Sunday		June 30
10:00 am	Joint Worship Service on The 6th Sunday of Pentecost at Trinity UCC	

Gospel Music



Gospel Singing in the Park

July 28th
1:00 pm

Hedges Boyer Park-The Barn
491 Coe St.
Tiffin, Ohio 44883
*Bring your own lawn chair.

For more information call TGMA (419) 934-5456

Handicap Parking

The handicap parking on the south side of the building have deteriorated making it difficult for members using walkers and wheelchairs to enter the building. We have a very generous church member who is willing to donate \$5,000.00 towards the project. We would like to challenge the congregation to match the donated funds. Cost for the south side is \$7,800 to repave all away across the driveway and \$4,536.00 to pave halfway across the drive. The handicap parking spots on the North side of the building are uneven. There are spots that are sinking, causing unsafe walking conditions. The cost for this project is \$6,875.00

Anyone interested in making a donation may contact the office or place it in the offering plate marked PAVEMENT.

Mark Your Calendars

Joint Service at Trinity UCC

On Sunday, June 30th we will gather for Worship at Trinity UCC. Worship will begin at 10 am. Come and join with First Presbyterian, Trinity UCC, and Old Trinity as we celebrate our unity of Christ.

Joint



Worship Service

Congregational Chat

Everyone is encouraged to stay following worship on July 7th for a "Congregational Chat"



Our Church Future

Come and hear some of the many things that Council is working on as we continue to plan for the future of First.



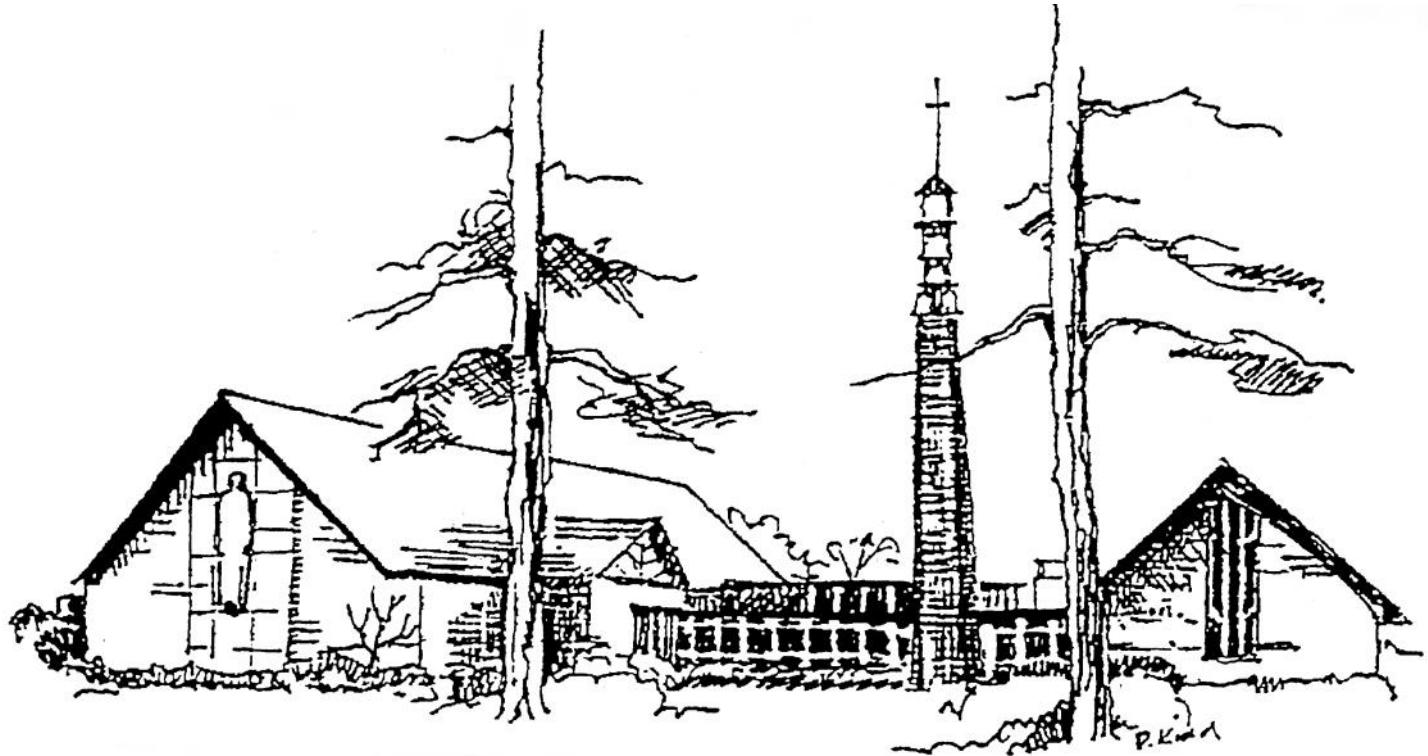
Please Note



The West Ohio Food Bank will be here

Thursday, June 27th
Distributing begins at 1p.m.

If you or someone you know is in need of food assistance please share the invitation to come and let the WOFB help fill their food pantries.



Our Mission Statement

“God is among us!”

*“We are called to go out, care for all, share the gospel,
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