

Prelude "For the Beauty of the Earth" arr. Lowe Barb Johnson

Welcome/Announcements

***Call to Worship** Cathy Leininger

Leader: The time for harvest is close at hand. What have you done with the gifts God has given you?

People: We have brought our gifts to the house of the Lord.

Leader: Praise God for the gifts and for opportunities for service that they represent.

People: We praise God for all the ways in which our lives have been blessed.

Leader: Generous God, accept our gifts and our lives this day.

People: Loving God, accept our praise and gratitude.

***Opening Hymn** "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" 64 UMH

***Opening Prayer** Cathy Leininger

Awesome God, you created the world and all that is in it. You blessed each element of creation with your love. You called us from slavery into witness and service. Be with us this day as we gather to worship. Clear our minds of all the distractions which would draw us away from you. Open our hearts and spirits and let your healing and empowering love flow in. Prepare us to be witnesses to your power and love as we use the gifts with which you have blessed us in your service. For we offer this prayer in the name of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Children's Message Becky Weaver

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading Matthew 25:14-30 Cathy Leininger

Joys & Concerns Cathy Leininger

Morning Prayer

Hymn "Take My Life, and Let It Be" 399 UMH

Thanking God with Our Offerings

Offertory "Thou Shalt Bring Them In" by Handel Barb Johnson

*Doxology/Offertory Prayer

Sermon Pastor Rick Jones

***Closing Hymn** "Precious Name" 536 UMH

***Benediction**

Postlude "Now Thank We All Our God" by Karg-Elert Barb Johnson

*Indicates standing. If you have difficulty standing, please feel free to remain seated.

Participating in Worship Today:

Lead Pastor	Pastor Rick Jones
Organist	Barb Johnson
Liturgist	Cathy Leininger
Children's Message	Becky Weaver



VANCO ONLINE GIVING



Great news! Our grant request for our multiple outreach ministries at OUMC was approved. We will receive \$4650 in 2024 from the Great Miami River District. This grant will fund all of our local ministries in Dayton: Lakewoods Ministry, the James Bags, The Dakota Center, the Crochet Ministry & the Blanket Ministry. If you would like to volunteer in one or more of these local ministries, we'd love to have you!

HANGING OF THE GREENS



Sunday, November 26 after worship we will prepare our sanctuary for Advent & Christmas with decorations. Please plan to stay after so we can hang wreaths, set up the Advent wreath & Christmas trees. A light meal will be available while you work. Families welcome! With lots of helpers, we should be done in less than an hour.



FELLOWSHIP LUNCH – Dec. 10

Our next Fellowship Lunch will be Sunday, December 10 after worship. The theme will be appetizers and Christmas cookies. Mark your calendars! This will be a festive gathering!

