

10:30 Contemporary Worship

WELCOME AND GREETING

OPENING SONG "Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)" **Ignite Band**

OPENING PRAYER **Raph Guenther**

PRAISE SONG "Forever Reign"

ENGAGING OUR FAITH

PASTORIAL PRAYER AND THE LORDS PRAYER

REFLECTION SONG "How Great Thou Art"

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 11:1-11, 14:3-9 **Steve Arbogast**

SERMON "Copycats of Christ" **Pastor Joe Ziraldo**

COMMUNION AND OFFERING

REFLECTION SONG "Shout to the Lord"

BLESSING

POSTLUDE "Hosanna (Praise is Rising)"

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 24

9:30 am Online and In Person Worship Service
10:30 am Online and In Person Worship Service

Monday, March 25

1:30pm Martha Circle

Tuesday, March 26

1:30 pm Priscilla Circle
7:00 pm N.A.

Wednesday, March 27

Thursday, March 28

4:30 pm Last Thursday Meal
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, March 29

11:00 am Prayer Group
12:00 pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 30

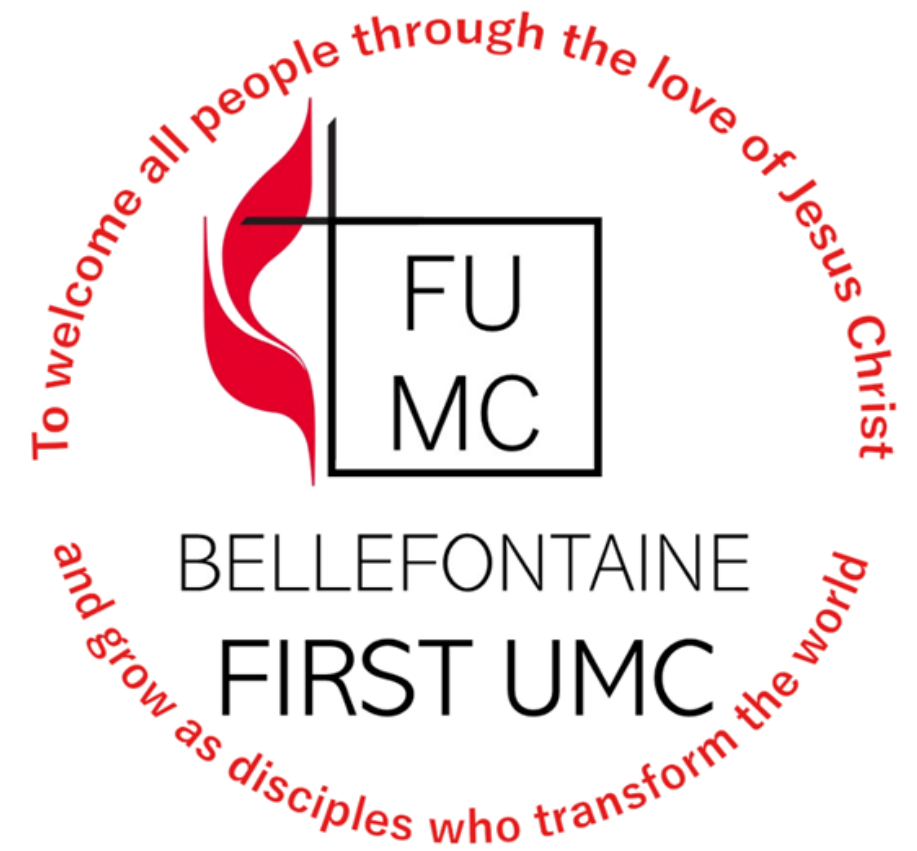
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Mike Suman, Choir Director
Joe Antram, Adult Handbell Director
Marianne Antram, Organist/Pianist
Kathy O'Conner, Keyboard Staff
Carol Burton, Choir Accompanist
Wayne Fahnestock, Custodian



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9:00 Traditional
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Our Mission: *To welcome all people through the love of Jesus Christ and grow as disciples who transform the world.*

Our Vision: *To be an intentionally inviting Christian community.*

Every member is a minister !

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9:00 A.M. Traditional Service

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PRELUDE "Triumphant Entry" by Raney

CALL TO WORSHIP Tom Gatchel

L: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!

P: He has answered our prayers and become our salvation; thanks be to God!

L: This is the day that He has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

P: The LORD is God, and He has given us light. Glory be to God on high!

L: The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

P: Blessing and honor, thanks and praise to Him. Hosanna to the Son of God!

OPENING HYMN "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" UMH #278

OPENING PRAYER

Mighty God, You are the King of kings and LORD of all nations! Let Your presence come among us with triumphant power. We humble ourselves before Your glory and power, and cry "Hosanna!" to our LORD, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

CHOIR ANTHEM "All Glory, Laud and Honor" Adult Handbells

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING AND ENGAGING OUR FAITH

*DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 11:1-11, 14:3-9 Tom Gatchel

SERMON "Copycats of Christ" Pastor Joe Ziraldo

REFLECTION SONG "Lead Me to Calvary" by Kirkpatrick

CLOSING HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story" UMH #156

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Ride on in Glory" by Williams

Messenger News

PASSIONATE WORSHIP

PRAYER GROUP is meeting on every Friday at 11 a.m.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE FOR 2024

March 28, Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm

March 29, Good Friday 12:00 noon

March 31, Sunrise Service 6:45 am,
Breakfast 7:30-8:15 am,
Easter Services 9:00 & 10:30 am

INTENTIONAL FAITH FORMATION

2024 UWF SPRING SPIRITUAL DAY will be held Saturday, April 13th from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Charlotte Hefner will be the speaker. Breakfast will be served. Come, Reconnect, and Make New Friends! Please call Sheila Rowe at 419-230-5361 to RSVP by April 8th.

RISK TAKING SERVICE

LAST THURSDAY MEAL will be back this week. The meal will include Shepard's Pie, Rolls and dessert. Please let Sharon Walden know if you would like to help.

Announcements

EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY

THE BLESSING BUCKET will be passed around during the final hymn. For the month of March, we will be supporting the Elementary School Nurse program.

ALTAR FLOWER OFFERING— The altar flowers this week are given by Larry and Janette Lambert. In memory of Orland Willeke, Janette's dad.

OTHER NEWS

A BIG THANK YOU FROM EPIPHANY:

I would like to say thank you so much for praying for our Epiphany weekend this passed weekend. The prayers were Felt and your names were added to the chain that ended up being 2342 strips long!! Plus your generosity ended up being \$629!! We are so grateful. 11 young men ended up realizing just what unconditional love looked and felt like!!

One young man that was a Muslim was fasting for Ramadan, but said at the closing: "I'm going to continue my commitment to Ramadan, but once it's over I will be reading your Christian Bible cover to cover"!! Another young man said he was never able to say "I love you", until this weekend!! Mission accomplished for this weekend! Thanks again for your support.

Jeanette and Larry

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3 If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'Its master needs it, and he will send it back right away.'"

4 They went and found a colt tied to a gate outside on the street, and they untied it. 5 Some people standing around said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" 6 They told them just what Jesus said, and they left them alone. 7 They brought the colt to Jesus and threw their clothes upon it, and he sat on it. 8 Many people spread out their clothes on the road while others spread branches cut from the fields. 9 Those in front of him and those following were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! 10 Blessings on the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest!" 11 Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. After he looked around at everything, because it was already late in the evening, he returned to Bethany with the Twelve.

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6 Jesus said, "Leave her alone. Why do you make trouble for her? She has done a good thing for me. 7 You always have the poor with you; and whenever you want, you can do something good for them. But you won't always have me. 8 She has done what she could. She has anointed my body ahead of time for burial. 9 I tell you the truth that, wherever in the whole world the good news is announced, what she's done will also be told in memory of her."

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