

Monticello

United Methodist Church

Welcome to worship! No matter where you are, where you have been, or where you are on your faith journey, our prayer is that you will find a place to belong in worship and mission with us.

March 26, 2023

8:30 am

Preparation for Worship

In this sacred moment, we look for God and find the promise of hope, steadfast love, and new beginnings. –Karin Ellis

Focus Scripture Psalm 130 Ezekiel 37:1-14

Prelude *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain* Bliss

*Call to Worship

Come, all who are weary.

Here, we wait for the Lord.

Come, all who have turned away from God.

Here, we find forgiveness and healing.

Come, all who look for hope.

Here, we embrace God's steadfast love.

Come, and fill your hearts with praise and thanksgiving.

Let us praise God!

*Hymn *In the Garden* No. 314

Common Prayer (Let us pray together...)

God of promise and hope, we come to you feeling dried up, like a valley filled with dry bones. Share your visions of new life with us, that we might have hope for our future. Bring us up from the grave, that we might live as people of promise. Put your Spirit within us, that we might have life everlasting. Amen.

Scripture John 11:17-45

Kid's Time

Bell Choir *Joyful Psalm*

Message

*Hymn *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* No. 420

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Sharing of our Gifts and Lives

Offertory

A Lenten Prayer

Dvorak

Doxology No. 94

Prayer of Dedication

Abundant God, thank you for the gifts we bring to you. May these gifts bring new life to those who are in need in our community and in the world. In your beloved name, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn

Lord of the Dance

No. 261

Announcements

Benediction

Live this week with the blessings of the One who saves us and heals our hearts.

We will live this week with our God. Amen.

Postlude

Simplicitas

Wilkes

Staff and Worship Assistants:

Pastor: Kathy Bueker Sweet

Director of Music: Kathy Brown

Director of Family Ministries: Melanie Burger

Director of Youth Ministries: Will Pontious

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Office Hours--Monday-Thursday 9 am - 12 noon

Live Radio Broadcast 8:30 am WCZQ 105.5 FM

Worship: 8:30 am in person and Facebook Live

10:45 am in person

If you are visiting, we welcome you and invite you to Fellowship with coffee and conversation at Café 2020. We also have a Sunday School Hour from 9:45-10:30 am. We offer adult classes, our Orchard Children's Ministry classes for Preschool-5th grade, and our bi-weekly Orchard 567 class for our 5th-7th graders on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month. Please join us as we dig into God's Word.

During today's service, please know that individual wireless receivers are available from the ushers. Rocking Chairs are located at the back for parents with babies, and our Kids' Corner is stocked with things to educate and entertain your children as well.

The Altar flowers are given in honor of Melissa Munster's Birthday from Mom, Dad, Stacey, Mark & Calvin.

Calendar

Today

8:30 am Worship, in-person, online and radio
 9:45 am Sunday School classes
 (Adult, The Orchard, and Orchard 567)
 10:45 am Worship, in-person
 5-7 pm Youth Group

Monday, March 27

4:00 pm T.O.P.S (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, March 28

8:30am Just Walking

Wednesday, March 29

1:00 pm Bible Study
 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 pm Bells Rehearsal
 8:00 pm New Day

Thursday, March 30

8:30 am Just Walking

Saturday, April 1

9-10 am Easter Egg Hunt registration
 10:00 am Easter Egg Hunt
 6:45 pm Outreach-sponsored team at Willow Tree Trivia Night

Sunday, April 2

8:30 am Worship, in-person, online and radio
 Cantata: Worthy is the Lamb
 9:45 am Sunday School classes
 (Adult and The Orchard)
 10:45 am Worship, in-person
 5-7 pm Youth Group

Looking Ahead:

April 6 Maundy Thursday service - 7 pm
 April 7 Good Friday service - noon
 April 9 Easter Sunday
 April 13 Midwest Mission - all day
 Finance Committee - 6 pm