



Worship Celebration

***Third Sunday
after the Epiphany***

January 22, 2023 + 9 AM

We Gather as God's Children

Prelude *Berceuse* Louis Vierne

Words of Welcome

+ Call Worship

+ Hymn *The Church's One Foundation* UMH 546

We Grow in God's Word

Leader: With disciples of every time and place, let us listen for the word of God among us.

People: *Our ears and hearts are open.*

First Lesson - 1 Corinthians 1.10-18 (CEB)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 4.12-23 (CEB)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Sermon

+ Hymn *Tú Has Venido a la Orilla (Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore)* UMH 344

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Opportunities for Ministry and Invitation to Give Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Choir Anthem *Jesus Loves Me* arr. Michael Hassell

+ Doxology UMH 95

+ Prayer of Thanksgiving and Commitment

We Go Out to Serve in God's Name

+ Hymn *O Church of God, United* UMH 547

+ Benediction

Postlude *Prelude in f minor from Well Tempered Clavier, Book 2 (BWV 881)* J.S. Bach

***Our service of worship is ended.
Our worship through service now begins.***

Worship Participants

Pastors

Rev. Nathan Howe
Rev. Carrie Antczak

Liturgist

Cindy McCowen

Music

Josh Kraybill, *Pianist*
Courtney Popp, *Choir Director*
Margaret Proctor, *Choir Director*

Audio Video Elements

Mark Williams
Marlynda Dziak
Debby Haas

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in memory of the birthday of Nancy Baldwin Peterson, mother of Barb Peterson.

Welcome to The United Methodist Church of Berea!

As followers of Jesus Christ, who reveals a God whose love knows no boundaries, we are committed to welcoming and affirming every person as a beloved child of God. Every person—of every sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, age, economic status, health, ability, or any other identifying label—is welcome to participate fully in our ministries and life together as church. We hope The United Methodist Church of Berea will become a home for you, your family, and your friends as together, in our relationship with God, with each other, and with all creation, **we make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**



Youth Group - Games & The Body of Christ

TODAY!, 5-6:30 PM, Wesley Hall

It's ALL the games night! Bring a game to share if you'd like, and also enjoy large-group crazy youth group games! (Pssst... life-size hungry hungry hippos might make an appearance...) We'll have a devotion exploring what it means to be a part of the body of Christ. Bring a game night snack to share! Ages 4th-12th grade are welcome.



Thursday Night Bible Study

Thursdays, 6:30 PM, via Zoom

Our Bible Study is open to anyone and everyone. We will be studying **Women Rise Up** by Katey Zeh. Books will be available in Rm 12. For more information and Zoom details, please contact **Mary Lynn Swartz** at marylynn482@gmail.com or 440-409-5931.



GriefShare

Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, via Zoom

All are welcome to join us as we talk about feelings, about doubts, and about problems getting back to a new normal way of life. (We will postpone the Friday one until the weather is decent - probably mid March.) Questions? Please contact **Mary Lynn Swartz** at marylynn482@gmail.com or 440-409-5931.



Upcoming Book Discussion: *Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans with Jeff Chu

Wednesday, January 25, 6:30 PM, Parlor

In *Wholehearted Faith*, the author wrestles with God's grace and love, looks unsparingly at what the church is and does, and explores universal human questions about becoming and belonging. All are welcome to join us. Copies of the books are available through most library systems, but please contact **Pastor Nathan** at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101 if you need help accessing a copy and if you plan to participate.



Read & Grow Book Discussion Group

Monday, February 13, 6:30-8 PM, Room 13 & on Zoom

On February 13, we will discuss **The Orphan House** by Ann Bennett. For more information, please contact **Betsy Meikle** at meiklebetsyj@gmail.com or 440-243-5767.



Women's Evening Bible Study Starting a New Book

Wednesdays, 7 PM, Offsite or via Zoom

The Women's Study that meets on Wednesday evening will be starting a new book on January 25. They will be studying **The Color of Compromise** by Jamar Tisby. If you are interested in joining this study, please contact **Linda Short** at 440-785-6047 or 9short28@gmail.com.



Love Your Neighbor - Adopt of Staff Member of Grindstone Elementary!

We will again be asking you to “adopt-a-teacher or staff member” of Grindstone Elementary! We ask that you write a note of appreciation, and perhaps include a small gift card. (Ideas: Dollar Tree, Target, Amazon, any coffee shop, or local restaurant). If you include a gift card, please return to the finance office drop slot for safe keeping. **Notes are due back February 1.**



Dinner Church

Wednesday, February 1, 6 PM, Wesley Hall

What is Dinner Church? It's the original way Jesus connected with his disciples! When we come together over food and fellowship, we can share our faith and invite others to grow in faith too. Check out this testimonial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5hGYaIMqVdg> “The love of a shared meal.” So bring a dish - but more valuably, bring a friend or neighbor! We need your help by inviting new folks, or folks we haven't seen in awhile, to join us for dinner and faith conversations. **A sign-up sheet for food and help with set-up and clean-up is available on the Outreach board (by Room 13).**



Equal Exchange Items

Sunday, January 5, 10-11 AM, by the Parlor

A variety of teas, coffee, and chocolates are available from Equal Exchange. Thank you for your continued support of farmers around the world who are paid a fair wage for their hard work in producing these items in a sustainable manner. Learn more at equalexchange.coop.



Metanoia Missions

Volunteers & Food Donations Needed for February 12 & 16

The Metanoia staff works with Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless and other local agencies to identify and meet the needs of people who risk exposure to harsh conditions on the street during the winter months. Their hospitality centers at Franklin Circle Church and Bethany Presbyterian (both in Ohio City) provide temporary shelter and an evening meal for 15-20 unhoused men and women. We are signed up to serve again on **February 12 and 26**. Volunteers, food donations, and meal suggestions are welcome!

Please contact **Laura Rushton** at jlaurush@gmail.com or **567-303-1954** for details.



Help Build Hope

We hope to take part in this mission again in the summer of 2023. We need people who can help us reach out to our neighbors and local organizations to both financially support the project, as well as participate in the building. Together we can build up this community, as well as the community where this future home will go! If you would be interested in helping us as a part of the core leadership team, please contact **Pastor Carrie** at cantczak@umcb.org or **440-234-3525 x105**.



Messy Church

Sunday, February 19, 4 - 6 PM, Wesley Hall

God is present - everywhere! Come learn about God's wonderful world, explore different countries and cultures with hands-on activities, and get your Messy Church passport stamped!

Could you share about another country or world? Contact **Carolyn Williams** at weaseltv@msn.com or **440-570-2913** to let her know you'd like to host a world station!

Morning Prayer

Lord Jesus, you call me to be a faithful disciple.
Enable me to hear your voice
above the distractions of this day,
to perceive each challenge
as an opportunity for faithful witness,
and to offer myself in obedient service in all that I do.
Amen.

Evening Prayer

Your face, O Lord, have I sought this day,
and your beauty have I beheld.
I have noticed you in the person of a stranger,
and beheld your beauty in creation.
Thank you, and keep me ever more aware. Amen.

Happening at The UMCB this week:

Sunday, January 22

Third Sunday After the Epiphany

Traditional Worship

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at

<http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

Formation

10 AM / Children - Second Floor /

Youth - Second & Third Floors / Adults First Floor

Modern Worship

11 AM / Wesley Hall

Youth Group - Games & More Games Night

5 PM / Wesley Hall

Monday, January 23

Morning Prayer

9 AM - 9:30 AM / via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

Survivors Fellowship

11 AM / Parlor / Aladdins

Missions Meeting

7 PM / Room 13

Women's Bible Study

7 PM / Women's Bible Study /

Contact Katie Flynn at kathryn.flinn@gmail.com

Tuesday, January 24

Morning Prayer

9 AM - 9:30 AM / via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

Tuesday Bible Study

9:30 AM / Room 13

Wednesday, January 25

Morning Prayer

9 AM - 9:30 AM / via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

Storytime

10 AM / Room 11 (Nursery) / [Contact Pastor Carrie](#)

The Wednesday Group

11 AM / Gathering Place

Book Discussion - WHOLEHEARTED FAITH

6:30 PM / Parlor / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

GriefShare

6 PM / Zoom / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at

marylynn482@gmail.com

Women's Bible Study

7 PM / Offsite /

contact Linda Short at 9short28@gmail.com

Thursday, January 26

Morning Prayer

9 AM - 9:30 AM / via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6 PM / Sanctuary / [Contact Tori Penfound](#)

Thursday Evening Bible Study

6:30 PM / Zoom / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at

marylynn482@gmail.com

Choir Rehearsal

7 PM / Parlor / Contact [Courtney Popp](#)

or [Margaret Proctor](#)

Friday, January 27

Morning Prayer

9 AM - 9:30 AM / via Zoom / [Contact Pastor Nathan](#)

Saturday, January 28

Sunday, January 29

Fourth Sunday After the Epiphany

Traditional Worship

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at

<http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

Formation

10 AM / Children - Second Floor /

Youth - Second & Third Floors / Adults First Floor

Modern Worship

11 AM / Wesley Hall

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Please note: Friday is a day of Sabbath for our pastors, a time to rest and restore. We kindly ask that you please refrain from calling or texting them on this day. If you are in need of emergency pastoral care, please contact the church office (440-234-3525 x100, info@umcb.org) and one of the pastors will respond as soon as possible.