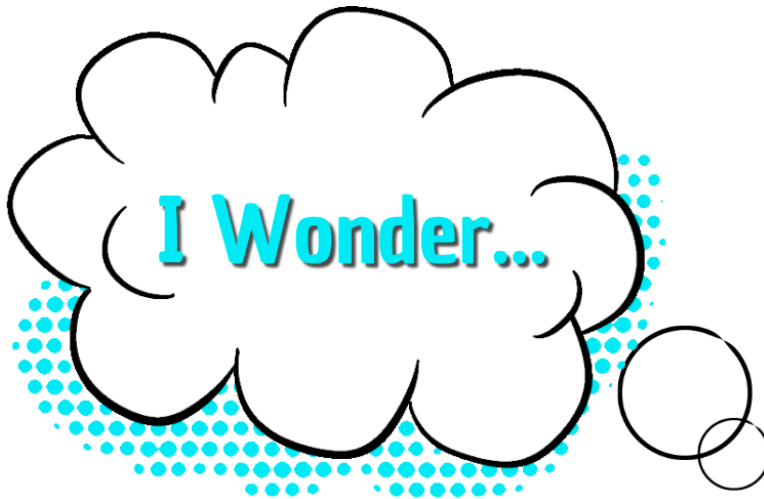


# CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR

*United Methodist*

*A Christian Community Committed to Growing Deeper in Faith  
and Pursuing God's Hope for Every Life*



May 4, 2025

11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Rev. Andy Call, Lead Pastor  
Rev. Cindy Patterson, Administrative Pastor

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY

11:00 a.m.

## OPENING TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

The Rev. Andy Call

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

ShaRon Johnson

One: We gather here

**Many: bringing our fears and our doubts.**

One: We gather here

**Many: longing for a reason to believe.**

One: We gather here

**Many: waiting to encounter the risen Christ.**

One: We gather here

**Many: seeking a word of peace.**

One: We gather here

**Many: receiving the breath of new life.**

\* HYMN OF PRAISE

*Praise the Source of Faith and Learning*

HYFRYDOL



1.Praise the source of faith and learn - ing that has sparked and  
2.Source of wis - dom we ac - know - ledge that our sci - ence  
3.May our faith re - deem the blun - der of be - liev - ing  
4.As two cur - rents in a riv - er fight each oth - er's



stoked the mind with a pass - ion for dis - cern - ing how the  
and our art and the breadth of hu - man know - ledge on - ly  
that our thought has dis - placed the grounds for won - der which the  
un - der - tow, 'till con - ver - ging they de - liv - er one co -



world has been des - igned. Let the sense of won - der flow - ing  
par - tial truth im - part. For be - yond our cal - cu - la - tion  
an - cient pro - phets taught. May our learn - ing curb the er - ror  
her - ent stead - y flow, blend, O God, our faith and learn - ing,

from the won - ders we sur - vey keep our faith for - ev - er  
 lies a depth we can - not sound where the pur - pose for cre -  
 which un - think - ing faith can breed lest we jus - ti - fy some  
 'til they carve a sing - le course, 'til they join as one, re -  
 grow - ing and re - new our need to pray.  
 a - tion and the pulse of life are found.  
 ter - ror with an an - ti - quat - ed creed.  
 turn - ing praise and thanks to you, their Source.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, we like being right.  
 We pride ourselves in being on the correct side  
 of decisions, arguments, and even history.  
 The truth is, much of the time,  
 we would rather be right than good.  
 But this way of ours isn't necessarily yours.  
 You call us to being compassionate, loving, and merciful.  
 Even justice is rooted in love for you, not simply "rightness."  
 Shape our hearts and our minds to be more like yours.  
 And help us, in the practice of our faith,  
 to pursue the good and the holy and the loving,  
 and leave the justification and judgment to you.  
 Amen.**

*(Silence is kept.)*

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

**One:** In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.  
**Many:** In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*We welcome you to share signs of reconciliation with each other.*



Don Verkuijlen, Director of Traditional Music & Organist  
Maggie Johns, Organ Scholar

*The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God,  
a gift of the Church of the Saviour Foundation.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **UMC Special Sunday**

May 4 is Native American Ministries Sunday. This Special Sunday is a denomination-wide celebration designed to raise awareness and remind United Methodists of the gifts and contributions made by Native Americans to our society. We affirm the sacredness of indigenous people, their languages, cultures, and gifts to the church and the world. To learn more or to donate online, scan the accompanying QR code. Giving envelopes are available in the church office and outside worship spaces.



### **Bishop Hee-Soo Jung to Visit COTS Next Sunday, May 11 - Unified Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary**

Next Sunday, May 11, Church of the Saviour will welcome Bishop Hee-Soo Jung as our preacher of the day. Bishop Jung is the residential bishop of the East and West Ohio Annual Conferences, who began his tenure here last September. Born and raised in South Korea, Bishop Jung has devoted his life to the gospel and speaking for peace, reconciliation, and unity. He has strong ties to movements for justice in Korea, where he spent time as a political prisoner for his advocacy for the rights of workers. As a pastor, he served congregations in Wisconsin, California, Texas, and South Korea. Consecrated as a bishop in 2004, Bishop Jung served in the Northern Illinois and Wisconsin Annual Conferences before coming to Ohio. Among his ambitious goals is to touch the altar of every congregation during his tenure. He is a man of profound wisdom and spiritual depth. We are blessed to welcome him to our pulpit.

### **Support for International Students via UPCaM**

Dear friends, international students across the country are facing immense challenges in our current political climate—and Cleveland is no exception. At United Protestant Campus Ministries (UPCaM), we are walking alongside students who are at real risk of homelessness this



summer. Many have been advised not to leave the U.S. for fear they won't be allowed back in. Now they are scrambling to secure local housing, find summer employment, and cover basic necessities like food and transportation. While Case Western Reserve University is doing what it can, spending freezes and limited staffing mean they've turned to partners like us, and we in turn to you, for help. Here's how you can assist:

1. Make a financial contribution to UPCaM. UPCaM helps provide support with housing, food, and community support for students in need. Choose to support the International Student Fund or the General Fund (preferred, so we can address the largest scope of need). Scan the accompanying QR code to make a donation online or mail a check made payable to UPCaM to 11459 Mayfield Road, Suite 555, Cleveland, OH 44106.

2. Consider hosting a student. If you have a spare room and a welcoming heart, please contact CWRU UPCaM Campus Minister, Amanda Powell, at 216-202-4779 or [amanda@upcam.org](mailto:amanda@upcam.org) to explore offering a homestay this summer. We are especially looking for homestays that are close to Case Western Reserve University.

Thank you for standing with these students—and with us—as we embody radical hospitality in these challenging times. With gratitude, The UPCaM Board of Trustees

### **COTS Annual Church Conference**

Our annual Church Conference will take place on Tuesday, May 20 at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall. At this annual meeting of the church, we will hear a "state of the church" presentation, elect leaders for the upcoming year, and review the budget. This is an in-person meeting but will be livestreamed for those who are unable to attend. All members of Church of the Saviour have voice and vote. Meeting materials for participant review are forthcoming.

### **Volunteer Appreciation Night**

We have offered our Church Members so many opportunities to volunteer over this past worship season, and the response from you, our church family, has been overwhelming. For that reason, we want to honor you, our amazing body of volunteers, at the second annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. If you have served COTS or a ministry COTS supports in ANY capacity this past year, please join us for a special evening in the Great Hall on Thursday, May 29 from 6:30-8pm. To be clear, this event is for *anyone* and *everyone* involved in local or global ministries, UWF initiatives, and those who serve the many services and programs that happen inside COTS' walls. RSVPs to the church office by Thursday, May 22 are extremely helpful but not required to attend. Call us at 216-321-8880 to let us know you'll be attending.

## **Mother's Day Shower for MamaStrong**

This Mother's Day, we're celebrating the strength and resilience of moms through a special partnership with MamaStrong, a ministry of New City Cleveland. MamaStrong is dedicated to supporting and strengthening single and at-risk moms through a gospel-centered, holistic approach. These courageous women are rebuilding their lives—some are leaving toxic relationships, one has lost everything in a fire—all while working to create safe, loving homes for their children.



To support them, we're hosting a Mother's Day Shower. The COTS family is invited to scan the accompanying QR code to sign up to donate items specifically requested by the MamaStrong mothers. Please bring your unwrapped gifts to the church office by 11AM on Mother's Day, next Sunday, May 11. Let's meet these moms where they are and remind them they're seen, supported, and not alone. Your generosity will help affirm their journey and reflect Christ's love in action.

## **Heights Tiger 5K & Fun Run – Saturday, May 17, 9:00 am**

For the first time, COTS is a sponsor of the 4th Annual Tiger 5K & Fun Run and we are putting together a COTS Team! There are roles for people of ALL abilities. The mission of the event is to introduce running and fitness to students, build community, and promote healthy lifestyle choices for families. All proceeds go to the seven CHUH elementary schools to fund things like field trips and after-school enrichment programs benefiting every K-5 student in the district. Our robust participation can help make this possible, while openly demonstrating our support of local kids and families. Let's encourage them to run like it's recess! Scan the QR code for all the details and to join COTS Team of volunteers and racers.



## **Kairos Outside**

Kairos Outside, a division of Kairos International Prison Ministry designed to support families with incarcerated loved ones, will be seeking meal ticket donations in the parlor during coffee hour on Sunday, May 4 and May 11. A \$10 donation provides a meal for one person participating in the upcoming Kairos Outside Northeast Ohio (KONEO #8) on May 16-18. Cash preferred, checks accepted. For more information contact Becki Gisser at 216-849-9244.

## **Seeking Housing Hosts for ChamberFest Cleveland**

ChamberFest Cleveland is looking forward to its Season 13: LOST AND FOUND, and we are so excited to begin our partnership with Church of the Saviour! Every year we bring in musicians from across the country and the globe and house them for the week of their residency with the festival. We are in need of a few volunteer housing hosts to help

us this year - either within walking distance to the church or willing to provide reliable transportation. We are still looking for a couple of hosts during each of the three weeks: Week 1 (June 8-15), Week2 (June 15-22), and Week 3 (June 22-29). For complete information about the festival and the musicians, visit our website at [www.chamberfestcleveland.com](http://www.chamberfestcleveland.com). Feel free to call us at 216-471-8887 or drop an email to Kameryn at [info@chamberfestcleveland.com](mailto:info@chamberfestcleveland.com) with your questions. Thank you for considering!

### **Join COTS at CLE Pride!**

Come join us downtown on Saturday, June 7 to be a loving presence during Pride in the CLE 2025! Wear any COTS t-shirt (if you have one) or scan the QR code to order a COTS Pride shirt for the event. T-shirts are \$15 each and must be reserved no later than May 18 so we may place a timely, complete order to the printer. They will be available for pick up at the church prior to the event. Specific instructions about where and when to meet and other parade day logistics are forthcoming. If you are planning to attend, consider contacting the church office to RSVP so you can be included in email communications. Thank you for your show of support for our LGBTQIA+ siblings in Christ.



**For a full list of this week's announcements,  
please scan the following QR code to link to The Chimes.**



**Please register your attendance at today's worship service.**

**Thank you!**





1. Christ, you are the Sa - vior, the Way to the Fa - ther, The  
 2. With out - cast and sin - ner you sat down to din - ner; You  
 3. O Lord, all a - round us, your mer - cies as - tound us as



Truth we de - pend on, the Life that we need. We trust you, be -  
 healed the Sam - ar - i - tans, Gen - tiles too. The poor knew your  
 o - thers dis - co - ver the Way you re - veal. A man whis - pers,



liev - ing! We list - en re - cei - ing the joy of the gos - pel by  
 car - ing, the rich, your de - clar - ing that God wel - comes e - very - one,  
 "Help me!" A wo - man cries, "Mer - cy!" A doubt - er dis - cov - ers your



which we are freed. Yet, Lord, you re - mind us: Through mer - cy you  
 not just a few. A con - quer - ing na - tion brought harsh oc - cu -  
 wel - come is real. O Way to the Fa - ther, your mer - cy is



find us, By grace you for - give us. The way home is yours! We  
 pa - tion. A sold - ier came ask - ing; you of - fered a hand. A  
 broad - er than we as your peo - ple have of - ten pro - claimed. May



dare not judge oth - ers, our sis - ters and broth - ers Whom  
 thief saw your pow - er in his fin - al hour You  
 we wel - come oth - ers as sis - ters and bro - thers, and



you choose to wel - come through love's op - en doors.  
 wel - comed him home to God's heav - en - ly land.  
 treas - ure the life that we share in your name.

# NEW THIS WEEK AT COTS

**Sunday, May 4**

LGBTQIA+ Adults & Active Allies Group, 12:30PM

**Thursday, May 8**

Thursday Night Together featuring...

Community Dinner, 5:45 PM

“Image of God” Group Study with Rachel Hoskins, 6:30PM

**Sunday, May 11**

Holy Communion in Myers Chapel, 8:30AM

Combined Worship in the Sanctuary with Bishop Hee-Soo Jung, 10:30AM

Parlor Reception, immediately following worship

**Please scan the following QR code to visit COTS’ online calendar for additional programming information & regularly scheduled events.**



## **A Special Welcome for Children and Families**

It's so great you're here! Church of the Saviour is a welcoming place for people of all ages and abilities to grow in relationship with God. We know kids may engage in worship in different ways, and we love their voices and wiggly bodies! We encourage you to participate in whatever way feels right for your family. Coloring materials are available outside the Sanctuary, and the church library is a great spot to visit if your child needs a break. Nursery care is available from 9:30am to 12:00pm downstairs. Your family is welcome here just as you are!



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