

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR

United Methodist

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



April 19, 2026

10:30 AM | Great Hall

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

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ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING SONGS

*Tell Me Once More
Your Love, O Lord
Come Light Our Hearts*

WELCOME

The Rev. Andy Call

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE

Luke 24:13-35

Elizabeth Okwudi

THE MESSAGE

Lord, Open Our Eyes

Bishop Mande Muyombo

REFLECTION SONG

Abide With Me

PRAYERS

Rev. Call

OFFERING

The Rev. Cindy Patterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING SONG

Lord of All Hopefulness

BLESSING

Bishop Muyombo

Morgan Miller Mecaskey, Director of Modern Music

Bryan Karas, Director of Production

Ellie Glorioso, cello

Bob Wittke & Arleen Twist, ushers

Anthony Foti, drums

Ryann Anderson, bass

Esther Fitz, vocals

Welcome—We're glad you're here!

At Church of the Saviour, we welcome people of all ages and abilities to grow in faith together. We celebrate children's voices, movement, and energy in worship! Coloring materials are available at the round tables and the church library offers a quiet space, if needed. Nursery care is available in Room 100 from 9:30AM–12:00PM.



Children in PreK-4 through 5th Grade are invited to join in our Godly Play and Children's Music programs, between 9:50AM and 12:00PM. Middle and High School groups meet at 11:00AM. Visit the church office for room locations and details. Scan the accompanying QR code for complete information about our Children's and Youth Ministries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome, Bishop Mande Muyombo!

Our guest preacher today is Bishop Mande Muyombo, resident bishop of the North Katanga Annual Conference in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Tanzania Annual Conference. Prior to his election to the episcopacy in 2017, he was the Assistant General Secretary for Missions and Evangelism on the General Board of Global Ministries, having previously served as its Executive Secretary for Africa. Bishop Muyombo is a past president of Kamina Methodist University, holding bachelor's and master's degrees from Africa University as well as a master's degree in theology and Doctor of Ministry from Saint Paul School of Theology in Kansas City. He is the first graduate of Africa University to be elected bishop. In addition to his role in North Katanga and Tanzania, Bishop Muyombo serves as the secretary of the Council of Bishops and is the chair of the Connectional Table, the visioning body of The United Methodist Church. We are thrilled to welcome him to Church of the Saviour.

Power In Progress: 15 Years of GCC Growth

Sunday, May 17 from 3-5 p.m. at Olivet Institutional Baptist Church (8712 Quincy Ave # 14, Cleveland) Join Greater Cleveland Congregations for an event of reflection, celebration, and momentum in honor of 15 years of growth and looking ahead to what's next.

Featuring remarks from GCC founders: Rabbi Josh Caruso, Rev. Dr. Jawanza Colvin, and Rev. Tracey Lind. RSVPs are requested by May 1. Some COTS members have expressed an interest in carpooling to this event. Please contact the church office to be connected.



Evensong at Trinity Cathedral

In just over a year since inception, Choral Evensong has quickly become a treasured part of the worship life at Church of the Saviour. With structural repairs necessitating temporary closure of the sanctuary, we decided to take the service into the community. With ecumenical support from neighboring churches, the next Evensong will take place tomorrow, Monday, April 20 at 7 pm at Trinity Cathedral (2230 Euclid Avenue). The service will be led, as always, by organist and director of traditional music Don Verkuijlen, the Evensong choir, and COTS clergy. Come and experience this timeless tradition in the community surrounded by beautiful music as together we listen, pray, and reflect.

Heights Tiger 5K & Fun Run

Saturday, May 16, 8:45 am—COTS is again sponsoring the 5th Annual Tiger 5K & Fun Run and we want you on the COTS Team as a volunteer or participant! 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 benefiting every K-5 student in the district through special programming, projects, field trips, and afterschool enrichment programs such as Chess, Stem, Run Club, Baseball, Drama, Lake Erie Ink, Dance, Tumbling, Soccer, Yoga, Basketball and so much more. 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 the COTS Team of volunteers & racers.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

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 third 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 Wednesday, May 6 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 give their time to the many services and programs that happen inside COTS' walls. RSVPs to the church office are helpful but not required: 216-321-8880.

UWF Spring Flea Market

The United Women in Faith are hosting their biannual flea market in the Great Hall Thursday-Saturday, April 30-May 2. Donations will be accepted on Sunday 4/26 from 12:30pm-6:00pm, Monday 4/27 from 8:00am-8:00pm, and Tuesday 4/28 from 8:00am-8:00pm. Scan the accompanying QR code for all the details about donating and shopping. Many volunteers are needed throughout the week; from set-up, to cashiers, to bakers, and beyond. Please contact Mary Freer at cotsflea@gmail.com or 216-242-6144 to sign up. Volunteers receive special shopping privileges!



Join COTS at CLE Pride

Come join us downtown on Saturday, June 6 to be a loving presence during Pride in the CLE 2026! Wear any COTS or Pride t-shirt (if you have one) or scan the QR code to order a new COTS Pride shirt for the event. T-shirts are \$20 each and must be reserved no later than Monday, May 11 so we may place a timely, complete order to the printer. They will be available for pick up at the church after May 31. 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 future email communications. Thank you for your show of support for our LGBTQIA+ siblings in Christ.



Do Justice: A COTS Learning Series

4/20, 5/4, and 5/11 from 6:30-8:30PM in the Great Hall—

This four-session series starting in mid-April and led by Keisha Krumm, Greater Cleveland Congregations' (GCC) Executive Director, invites our congregation into a deep, grounded conversation about what it means to do justice—not just give to charity—in Cuyahoga County today. Drawing on scripture, community organizing principles, and the lived work of GCC each session moves participants from reflection to action. The series includes readings, interactive learning, and concrete opportunities to get involved. Scan the QR code for specific session descriptions and more information about GCC's mission.



Pew Party!

The sanctuary pews are heading to Tennessee to get refurbished. Our Task: There are two speakers that need to be unscrewed from each of the 90 pews. Lots of hands = light work. Bring your battery-powered drill/driver on Saturday, April 24 at 9:30am and we'll git 'er done! No drill of your own, no problem! All hands are welcome to join the party.

COTS Annual Church Conference

Our annual Church Conference will take place on Tuesday, May 19 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 live-streamed for those who are unable to attend. All members of Church of the Saviour have voice and vote. Meeting materials for participants' review are forthcoming. If you require childcare in order to attend, please contact the office to make a request no later than this Sunday, May 10.

Local Missions Highlight: MamaStrong

MamaStrong, a program of New City Cleveland, is a recent recipient of a Church of the Saviour Local Missions Grant, furnished by your Christmas offering. New City Cleveland's vision is to see faith communities and residents of the Buckeye-Woodhill neighborhood brought together in meaningful connection. The MamaStrong program specifically ensures that no mother walks alone. Each month, moms gather for meals, encouragement, and community, while doulas support women through childbirth—improving outcomes in underserved communities. Beyond providing practical support, MamaStrong empowers mothers to lead, give, and grow. From sharing skills to encouraging one another, these gatherings build confidence, faith, and stronger families.

Next month, COTS will be hosting a Mother's Day Baby Shower for participants in the MamaStrong program. Details on how to contribute are forthcoming.

THIS WEEK AT COTS

Monday, April 20

"Do Justice" GCC Series, 6:30PM
Choral Evensong at Trinity Cathedral, 7:00PM

Friday, April 24

Whirlyball Jr. Youth Event, 7:00PM

Sunday, April 26

UWF Flea Market Donation Day, 12:30-6:00PM
Progressive Dinner Sr. Youth Event, 6:00PM

Visit cotsumc.org/events for additional programming information & regularly scheduled events.



Tell Me Once More

Morgan Miller Mecaskey/Matte Cassidy

Morgan Miller Mecaskey



1. Tell me once more, let not my heart for - get, of
2. Tell me once more, let not my fears con - trol, for
3. Tell me once more, let not de - spair take hold, for
4. Tell me once more, let not my heart for - get, of
5. Tell me once more, let not my strength di - ssolve, for



Chri - st, who came to con - quer o - ver death! Should all my health and happ - i -
Chri - st in - dwells and makes cre - a - tion whole! Should I for - get that weak - ness
Chri - st pro - vides and walks be - si - de us all! Should I re - sign my - self to
Chri - st who came to show us what love meant! Should I draw lines and de - mand
Chri - st our hope, will be my sure re - solve! Should dark - ness rear its ug - ly



-ness de - cay, re - pea - t a - gain, "the stone is rolled a - way!" Re -
makes us strong, re - pea - t a - gain, "e - ver - y - thing be - longs!" Re -
hope - less - ness, re - pea - t a - gain, "God keeps God's pro - mis - es!" Re -
cer - tain - ty, re - pea - t a - gain, "lean in - to my - ster - y!" Re -
head at night, re - pea - t a - gain, "go on and shine your light!" Re -



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- pea - t a - gain, "e - ver - y - thing be - longs!"
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Your Love O Lord

Music composed by
Mac Powell, Brad Avery, David Carr,
Mark D. Lee and Tai Anderson

VERSE

♩ = 88

Your love, O Lord, reach-es to the heav-ens. Your

5

faith-ful-ness stretch-es to the sky. Your right-cous-ness

10

is like the might-y moun-tains. Your jus-tice flows like the o-cean's tide.

CHORUS

15

I will lift my voice to wor-ship You, my King. I will find my

21

strength in the shad-ow of Your wings. Your I will lift my Your

ENDING

love, O Lord, reach-es to the heav-ens. Your faith-ful-ness

32

stretch - - es to the sky.

Come Light Our Hearts

Words and Music by
Sandra McCracken

CHORUS

D G

For You, O Lord, our souls in still - ness wait. For

5 D G D

You, O Lord, our souls in still - ness wait. Tru - ly our hope is in You,

VERSE

10 *3rd time to Coda* A D

tru - ly our hope is in You. 1. O Lord of life, our on - ly hope, Your ra - diance
2. O joy a - bove all oth - er loves, in You we

15 G A D

shines on all who look to You in the dark. Em - man - u - el come, come light our hearts.
find more than e - nough. We come as we are; O heal and re - store, come light our hearts.

20 *D.C. al Coda*

For

21 ^D Coda

You.

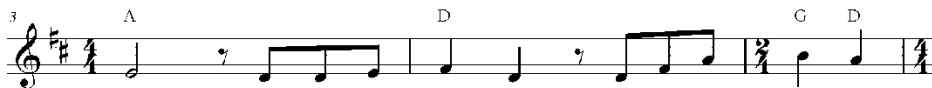
Abide With Me

CD Key

Words by Henry Lyte
alt. by Justin Smith
Music by Justin Smith



1. A - bide with me; fast falls the e - ven -
2. Thou on my head, in ear - ly youth didst
3. I need Thy pres - ence, eve - ry pass - ing
4. I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to
5. Hold Thou Thy cross, be fore my clos - ing



3 tide; The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord with me a -
smile; And, though re - bel - lious, and per - verse mean
hour. What but Thy grace, can foil the tempt - er's
bless; Ills have no weight, tears lose their bit - ter -
eyes; Shine through the gloom, and point me to the



6 bide. When oth - er help - ers, fail and com - forts
while, Thou hast not left me, oft as I left
power? Who, like Thy - self, my guide and stay can
ness. Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy vic - to -
skies. Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows



9 flee, I help of the help - less, a - bide with me.
Thee, On to the close Lord, a - bide with me.
be? Through cloud and sun - shine, a - bide with me.
ry? I tri - umph still, a - bide with me.
flee; In life, in death, Lord, a - bide with me.

Lord of All Hopefulness

Jan Struther, 1901–1953

SLANE
Irish folk tune



1. Lord of all— hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy, Whose
Choir 2. Lord of all— ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith, Whose
3. Lord of all— kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace, Your
4. Lord of all— gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm, Whose



1. trust, ev - er child-like, no cares could de - stroy: Be
2. *strond hand were skilled at the plane and the lathe:* Be
3. hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace: Be
4. voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm: Be



1. there at— our— wak - ing, and give us, we pray, Your
2. *there at— our— la - bors, and give us, we pray,* Your
3. there at— our— hom - ing, and give us, we pray, Your
4. there at— our— sleep - ing, and give us, we pray, Your



1. bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
2. *strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.*
3. love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
4. peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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Please register your attendance at today's worship service.

Thank you!

