

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR

United Methodist

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



May 3, 2026

11:00 a.m., Great Hall

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GREAT HALL

11:00 a.m.

OPENING TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

The Rev. Andy Call

* CALL TO WORSHIP ¹

Tom Voorhees

One: The world outside worries us.

**Many: The worlds inside our homes, inside our heads,
and inside our hearts spin with anxiety.**

One: Christ calls us to the quiet center.

Many: We come to worship and receive God's peace.

One: We come to renew our trust in God.

Many: Let us worship, prepared to meet God here.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Come and Find the Quiet Center

BEACH SPRING



1. Come and find the qui - et cen - ter in the crowd - ed life we lead, find the
2. Si - lence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it
3. In the Spir - it let us trav - el, o - pen to each oth - er's pain, let our



room for hope to en - ter, find the frame where we are freed: Clear the
is who speaks and names us, knows our be - ing, touch - es base, mak - ing
loves and fears un - rav - el, cel - e - brate the space we gain: There's a



cha - os and the clut - ter, clear our eyes that we can see all the
space with - in our think - ing, lift - ing shades to show the sun, rais - ing
place for deep - est dream - ing, there's a time for heart to care, in the



things that real - ly mat - ter, be at peace, and sim - ply be.
cour - age when we're shrink - ing, find - ing scope for faith be - gun
Spir - it's live - ly schem - ing there is al - ways room to spare.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Call

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of us all,

**we know that you created us for good works,
a gift of your grace at work in us.**

But we often feel inadequate.

Who are we that anyone would listen to us?

Who are we to bring hope and healing?

Who are we to represent Christ in the world?

When we lack the confidence to be who you call us to be,

remind us that you are always at work in us,

and it is in our weakness that your strength is made perfect. 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 one another.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 34:1-10

Mr. Voorhees

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Many: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE

Enough

Rev. Call

OFFERING OUR LIVES IN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF REFLECTION #375

There Is a Balm in Gilead

BALM IN GILEAD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Rev. Cindy Patterson

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Bread of Heaven
Chancel Choir

David Ashley White

* DOXOLOGY #95 & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Patterson

HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Musical Setting C, UMH p. 20* Revs. Call & Patterson

THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever.**

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

* HYMN OF DISCIPLESHP

Your Love, O God

FINLANDIA



1. Your love, O God, is broad like beach and mead-ow,
2. We long for free - dom where our tru - est be - ing
3. But there are walls that keep us all di - vid - ed;
4. O judge us, Lord, and in your judg - ment free us,



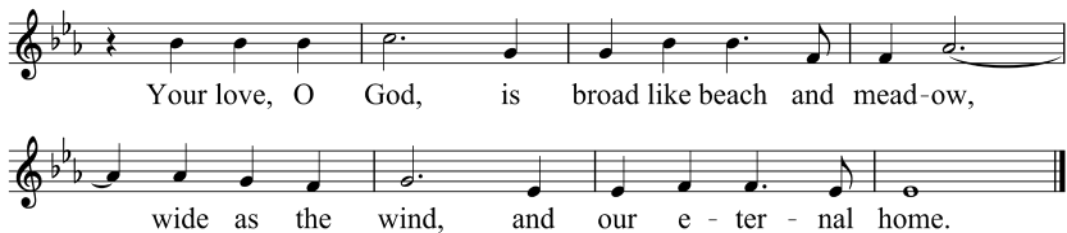
wide as the wind, and our e - ter - nal home.
is giv - en hope and cour - age to un - fold.
we fence each oth - er in with hate and war.
and set our feet in free - dom's o - pen space;



You leave us free to seek you or re - ject you,
We seek in free - dom space and scope for dream - ing,
Fear is the bricks and mor - tar of our pris - on,
take us as far as your com - pas - sion wan - ders



you give us room to an - swer "yes" or "no."
and look for ground where trees and plants can grow.
our pride of self, the pris - on coat we wear.
a - mong the chil - dren of the hu - man race.



* BENEDICTION

Rev. Call

* POSTLUDE

* The people may stand.

Don Verkuijlen, Director of Traditional Music & Organist; Alisdair Welty, organ scholar

¹ Corey Turnpenney, Get Lit. worship resources (adapted).

*The flowers on the altar are dedicated in memory of Earl & Vera Garver,
a gift of Martha Wagner.*



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 desk outside the Sanctuary for room locations and details. Scan the accompanying QR code for complete information about our Children's and Youth Ministries.

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.

The Holy Spirit - A Study for Pentecost

God works through the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is in you. Now what? As Pentecost approaches, explore what scripture teaches us as we seek to understand and experience the Holy Spirit's presence and power in our daily walk with Christ. Join co-leaders Janice McPhee and Lorrie Goss in this 5-week study based on *The Holy Spirit* by Adam Hamilton. Wednesdays, 1-2pm, May 13-June 10 in the church Parlor. Books can be purchased in the church office for \$19 or on your own. Scan the accompanying QR code or contact the church office to sign up.



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 CHUH schools benefiting every K-12 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.

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.

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.



MamaStrong Baby Shower

This Mother's Day, we're honoring the courage and perseverance of moms by partnering with MamaStrong, a ministry of New City Cleveland. MamaStrong walks alongside single and at-risk mothers, offering support and encouragement through a gospel-centered, whole-person approach. These incredible women are working hard to rebuild their lives and create stable, nurturing environments for their children.



To come alongside them, Church of the Saviour is hosting a Mother's Day Shower. We invite the COTS family to donate specific items requested directly by the MamaStrong moms. Scan the QR code to view the wish list and sign up for a gift. Please drop off unwrapped gifts at the church office by Thursday, May 7 at 10 am. Together let's show these mothers they are valued, supported, and not alone. Your generosity is a meaningful way to uplift their journey and share Christ's love in a tangible way.

Servants on Call

Do you enjoy serving others? Lending a hand? Being present for someone? We're a lively church with lots of capacity to help and a call to serve! As such, we receive requests to help people within the congregation as well as the wider community. Recent examples include helping with a weekday, lunchtime party at Roxboro Middle School, sorting items at GoodsBank NEO, and removing the speakers from the sanctuary pew backs. The possibilities are as varied as the needs!



So, in order to keep our would-be good-doers in the loop, we're starting a new text group called "Servants on Call." It's for people willing to be asked to serve others from time to time. When you get the text with the details, you can either sign up as instructed or ignore it. Scan the accompanying QR code to join the group.

THIS WEEK AT COTS

Sunday, May 3

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

Monday, May 4

Greater Cleveland Congregations “Do Justice” Learning Series, 6:30PM

Wednesday, May 6

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, 6:30PM

Friday, May 8

Hike & Hot Dogs at Henry Church Rock, Jr. Youth Event, 7:00PM

Sunday, May 10

Hike & Hot Dogs at Henry Church Rock, Sr. Youth Event, 5:30PM

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



Please register your attendance at today’s worship service.

Thank you!

