

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR

United Methodist

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



May 31, 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

David Hildebrandt, Lay Leader

* CALL TO WORSHIP ¹

Corinne Dunn

One: God our Creator, we call you Father, Mother, Author of Life:

Many: Draw us closer to you, O God.

One: Christ our Savior, we call you the Son, the Messiah, the One who Saves:

Many: Draw us closer to you, O God.

One: Holy Spirit, we call you the Advocate, the Inspirer, Breath and Wind of God:

Many: Draw us closer to you, O God.

**One: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty;
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory:**

**Many: Draw us in, Spirit, Christ, and Creator,
that we might journey with you more fully and deeply,
in this life and beyond.**

* HYMN OF PRAISE #64

Holy, Holy, Holy

NICAEA

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Ben Magee

PRAYER OF CONFESSION ²

Forgiving God,

we confess that we are conformed to this world.

We conform to this world's frantic pace,

too hectic to notice all the blessings you provide.

We conform to this world's reckless waste,

exploiting what you entrust to our care.

We conform to this world's shallow values,

oblivious to the giftedness of people different from us.

We conform to this world's impatient attitudes,

preferring the latest instead of the lasting.

Forgive our conformity and transform us, O God.

We pray in Jesus' name. 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.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 12:1-2, 9-18

Ms. Dunn

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

Many: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE

Mind the Gap

The Rev. Hannah Weisbrod

OFFERING OUR LIVES IN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF REFLECTION #430

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

TRENTHAM

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

Rev. Magee

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

GIVING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

Mr. Hildebrandt

OFFERTORY

*Holy, Holy, Holy
Bells of the Saviour
Chris Matovic & Trey Modlin, trumpet*

Jason Krug

* DOXOLOGY (#95) & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #421

Make Me a Captive, Lord

DIADEMATA

* BENEDICTION

Rev. Weisbrod

* POSTLUDE

* The people may stand.

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

¹ Mindi Welton Mitchell, Rev-o-lution

² Feasting on the Word Worship Companion. Year A, Vol. 2. Edited by Kimberly Bracken Long. Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press (2013), 128.

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

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.

Welcoming Our Guest Preacher, Rev. Hannah Weisbrod.

Church of the Saviour is honored to welcome Rev. Hannah Weisbrod to our pulpit. Rev. Weisbrod serves as the Projects Coordinator at Harbor and Bridge Community Center and as the Director of Camp Administration for the East Ohio Annual Conference. In both roles, she seeks to engage in community-based relational ministry, often considering how existing properties might continue to serve as vital spaces for ministry and transformation. Previously, she served in pastoral ministry as the Associate Pastor at Strongsville UMC and as the solo pastor of St. Paul's UMC in Tiffin. She and her husband, Ben, worship regularly at Church of the Saviour, enjoy hiking in metro parks, traveling, and exploring restaurants throughout the Cleveland area.

Please register your attendance at today's worship service.

Thank you!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sermon Series Preview

“The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.” This is the vision statement adopted by The United Methodist Church in 2025. But in many ways, it has always been the vision of our faith tradition. This is a vision that is deeply rooted in our Wesleyan roots, a denominational DNA with a tradition of scandalous grace, joyful discipline, and fearless leadership that has, from the start, disrupted societal norms in order to embody God’s love for all people. We will explore the vision statement and what it means for us today. *Love-Serve-Lead*, Sundays, June 7-28.

Sanctuary Restoration Progress Video

Interested to know what’s happening in the Sanctuary? Scan the accompanying QR code to watch a video tour led by our Director of Traditional Music & Organist, Don Verkuijlen.



Habitat for Humanity Faith Build

Habitat For Humanity’s mission statement is to put God's love into action by bringing people together to build homes, communities, and hope. The Faith Build program, founded in 2015, brings people of faith together to sponsor a home. Each congregation gives a portion of prayer, volunteer power, and funding to build a home for a family. This is COTS’ third year of participation in a Faith Build project, although we have a core group of regular Habitat construction volunteers who have been helping build homes for decades.



Our 2026 Faith Build home will again be located in the nearby Mt. Pleasant neighborhood of Cleveland. This year’s COTS participation will include two construction work dates (Saturdays, June 13 and October 14) and an additional Saturday, August 1 for the “Rock-the-Block” community spruce up on Elwell Avenue (Pope Leo XIII Village). Scan the QR code for all the details on how to participate.

The Habitat web site is replete with other opportunities for COTS members to show up and show support for this mission outreach (www.clevelandhabitat.org/how-to-help). Perhaps forming a team to do the “Walk-Run-Mosey” fund raiser on Saturday, July 18th would be fun for the family (dogs welcome) or your COTS small group. Let’s build – house, community, hope!

Join COTS at CLE Pride

Gather with friends from COTS and the wider United Methodist community to support and celebrate the LGBTQIA2S+ community! Pride in the CLE is a family-friendly event next Saturday, June 6, 2026, starting with a march downtown at 11AM and continuing throughout the day with a festival on the grassy mall on Lakeside Avenue. Scan the QR code for all the details on how to march with our COTS group. If you ordered a Pride t-shirt, those are now available for pick-up at the table outside worship in the Great Hall lobby or in the church office.



Register for the Youth Mission Trip

Help us pursue God's hope for every life in southern Ohio! We will be partnering with Jackson Area Ministries (JAM) to help meet needs and create opportunities identified through JAM and our host church. We want to help make things the way God intended them to be, and we'll do it through relationships and working with our neighbors. Jesus-followers are called to transform the world. Will you join us? Scan the QR code for more info and to sign up.



THIS WEEK AT COTS

Wednesday, June 3

“The Holy Spirit” – A Pentecost Group Study, 1:00PM

Friday, June 5

End-of-the-Year Beach Party for Kids, Youth, & Families, 5:00PM

Saturday, June 6

Pride in the CLE March (Downtown Cleveland), 11:00AM

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

