

May 1 - 8:30 am

WELCOME
PRELUDE

(please observe quiet time as we prepare for worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP Carol Crotty

*HYMN NO. 400 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 67

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC Kelly Waugh

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

(Please put your completed communication card in the offering plate.)

He will requite my enemies with evil; in thy faithfulness put an end to them.

With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to thee; I will give thanks to thy name,

O Lord, for it is good. (Psalm 54:5-6)

Offertory

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*SCRIPTURE Acts 16:9-15

*GLORIA PATRIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

TODAY'S MESSAGE "Going to Macedonia" Rev. Joel Harbarger

HOLY COMMUNION (see the separate insert)

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Altar Flowers: the 2016 altar flower calendar for the sanctuary is hanging on the bulletin board in the narthex; cost is \$25.00/Sunday. Envelopes are available on the table below the sign-up sheet. A sign-up sheet and envelopes are available on the bulletin board in Atchley Hall for the 9:30 worship service. The cost is \$15.00/Sunday.

Loss Recovery Group - is an on-going group meeting in a social setting (dinner, movies, coffee, etc.) to provide education and emotional support to those recovering from loss with those who are on similar paths of bereavement. The next meeting is May 3rd at 2:00 pm led by Rick Drake.

Church Envelopes - the church envelopes for 2016 are available for pick-up in the Narthex. If you don't have a box and would like one please contact Lindsay Fields at lmfields82@gmail.com.

GROUP EVENTS SCHEDULED: Sign-Up Sheets have been posted for an upcoming opportunity to fellowship together *AWAY FROM* our church walls. Don't think it's too early to save the date of Sunday, July 24th for "FaithDay" (our annual trip to the Cincinnati Reds). A 20-person minimum is needed for this event, making the tickets \$12/person. If you know you're wanting to attend, and would be willing to go ahead and sign-up AND pay for your tickets, that will allow us to reserve a block of seats and add-on later as long as space is available. The deadline for "FaithDay" sign-ups will be **June 26th**. Know that family and friends are *ALWAYS* welcome and encouraged to come along! If you have additional questions, contact Andy Garitson (513-801-0261 or andygaritson@aol.com).

3rd Annual Birdies "Fore" Blaze Golf Outing - Fund Raiser for Youth Group Missions Work - This year's event is scheduled for Sunday, May 22, 2016 at the Wildwood Country Club in Middletown. With a 1:30 pm Shotgun start, \$75/golfer gets you 18 holes of golf/cart, 4 drink tickets, and a full dinner afterwards. As always the event promises to be a lot of fun and of course it benefits our very own MUMC Blaze Youth Group! Sign-up forms are available at the back of the Church in the Narthex before or after the 8:30 and 10:45 services, and at either of the two Greeter Stations downstairs in Atchley Hall before or after the 9:30 service. You can also contact Bob Riggs, Rick Drake, Brad Jonas, Phil Lacefield or Dave Walz for more information as well. So why not round up a couple of your golfing buddies and come out and join us! This could also be an opportunity to introduce a friend to our church as well! FYI - there have also been at least two foursomes of ladies at each of the last 2 events, so this is not just limited to the guys! So let's support our Youth on May 22nd!

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B.L.A.S.T.: Grades 1st-3rd – Led by Justine Stitt

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Upcoming Events:

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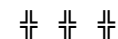
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