

## May 22 - 8:30 am

### WELCOME

### GIDEON SPEAKER

Les Bowers

### PRELUDE

(please observe quiet time as we prepare for worship)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Phil Lacefield

### \*HYMN NO. 64

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 8

### 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

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Jennifer Moak

### OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

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

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver (2 Corinthians 9:7)

### Offertory

Melanie Flower

### \*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

Romans 5:1-5

### \*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.*

### MESSAGE

"The Role of Trouble"

Rev. Joel Harbarger

### \*HYMN NO. 368

*My Hope is Built*

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### \*POSTLUDE

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*America the Beautiful*

Jubellation Ringers

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### PRAYER RESPONSE

*On Eagle's Wings*

*And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
Bear you on the breath of dawn,  
Make you to shine like the sun,  
And hold you in the palm of God's hand.*

(permission CCLI 621794)

### SPECIAL MUSIC

*Cross Medley*

Chancel Choir

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*Let All Things Now Living*

Jubellation Ringers  
with Annette Drake on flute

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**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](mailto:lmfields82@gmail.com).

**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 Tuesday, June 7th at 2:00 pm led by Rick Drake.

**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](mailto:andygaritson@aol.com)).

**Thank You** - Thank you to everyone for the prayers, cards, well wishes and support given to me for my recent back surgeries. I am convinced that it is the power of prayer that gets us through the dark times. Thank you all so much! Love and Blessings, *Debby Davis*

**Newsletter Deadline** - The deadline for the June Newsletter TODAY. Please submit your articles to Jerry Lapham.

**Casseroles to Go - Sunday, May 29th** - Our Casseroles to Go program provides meals to those experiencing bereavement or illness. Please bring your homemade entrée to church May 29th and place it on the designated table. If possible, you can bring casseroles in before May 29th and put them in the long freezer in the boiler room. See **Ann Copeland** for any questions.

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR will be taking their music to Mt. Pleasant Retirement Village to sing for their worship service TODAY. Children will practice one more time after Sunday School and then meet at the front of the building at 3:45 this afternoon.

**VBS NEWS:** Cave Quest VBS @ MUMC - July 10-14th

On-line registration is open for Kindergarten - 6th grade through our church website link [www.monroeumc.org](http://www.monroeumc.org). A limited number of preschoolers may be registered through paper registrations. Please see Kelly.

**VBS NEEDS:**

**CREW LEADERS:** No prep required...best VBS job EVER! You are responsible for experiencing all of VBS WITH a small group of 5 or 6 children, providing encouragement and participation.

**GAME STATION LEADER NEEDED!!!!** You take the provided game idea book and pick one or two games each night for groups to play in 4 different rotations. Games supplies provided!

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**SET DECORATORS NEEDED!!!!** This year, we will try to turn the VBS areas of our church into an underground cave to show children how Jesus is the light of the world and how they can let their lights shine for Jesus! This will be an enormous undertaking for one person! Can you please lend your time and talents to this effort? I already have supplies and ideas. I just need painters, sculptors, a few power tools, and people to come along side me with this labor of love and vision to get the job done. It will be amazing what we can do together.

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