

May 8 - 8:30 am
Mother's Day

WELCOME

PRELUDE *As the Deer* Rick & Annette Drake
(please observe quiet time as we prepare for worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP Phil Lacefield

***HYMN NO. 367** *He Touched Me*

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 97:10-12

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 *Great is Thy Faithfulness* Rick & Annette Drake

OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS

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

So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.
(Matthew 5:23-24)

Offertory *In Heaven Above* 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** Acts 16:16-34

***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 "Preaching To The Jailer" Rev. Joel Harbarger

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PRAYER RESPONSE *Purify My Heart*

Purify my heart, Touch me with Your cleansing fire.

Take me to the cross; Your holiness is my desire.

Breathe Your life in me, Kindle a love that flows from Your throne.

Oh, purify my heart. Purify my heart.

(permission CCLI 621794)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Sing to God

Chancel Choir

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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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