

Lakewood United Methodist Church
Virtual Worship: 10am Sunday Mornings
LkwdUMC.org



October 18, 2020

Unafraid – Living with Courage and Hope
“Sickness, Growing Old, Death”

We live in a culture that idolizes youth, that spends vast sums to hide signs of advancing age and that uses phrases like “out to pasture” to describe the elderly. God doesn’t despise age. God calls us to serve at all ages, and always welcomes our loving hearts. Whether you’re 16 or 86, to what extent can you say, like the psalmist, “You’ve taught me since my youth, God, and I’m still proclaiming your wondrous deeds!”? We can influence others by our examples and witness.

Prelude (start at 9:58)

Greeting

Call to Worship

God alone is our refuge and hope,
our shelter and protection.

From our very first breath to our last,

God’s love and compassion never fails.

So come, lift your voices in praise to God.

Bear witness to God’s acts of mercy and love.

Proclaim God’s glory to all who will listen.

Hymn 702 *Sing with All the Saints in Glory*

Moment for God’s Children

Impact Song

Scripture John 11:25-26, 1 Cor 15:54, Prov. 19:23

Impact Song

Message

Special Music: *Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You*
(Duet: Marj Ruhl & Kathy Westlake)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Connecting Moments

Offering

You can give online, or you can mail a check to the church at 15700 Detroit Ave., Lakewood OH 44107 Attn: Financial Manager. Any questions please reach out to the Finance Manager at financemanager@lkwdumc.org to sign up for access to the Member Portal and online giving. (https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#tithe/give-one-)

Choral Doxology

Impact Song

Blessing

Choral Sending Forth *Go Now In Peace*

Daily Scripture Readings:

MON•TUES 1Cor. 15:51-57 • WED/THUR Ps 71:17-19 • FRI Prov 2:2-6 • SAT Jn 11: 25-26

*Altar Flowers – We are thankful that God holds us in the palm of his hand,
given by Mark Niemi & Lynda Carter*

Prayer Concerns: Carol Esry, Mary Brinkman, Ann McIntosh, Jan Hnanicek, Rosemary Dawson, Sally Smith, Eva Smith, Carolyn King, Marvin Braxton, James Smoot, Lucy Smith, Rolf Velmin, our shuts-ins, and Friends and Family of Kyle McIntosh

Leading us today:

Pastors: Dan Bryant and Laura Jaisle

Musicians: Julie Stunck, Hal Lissow, Brendan Smith, Heather Doerschuk, John Russell, Helen Kohler, Bill Myers, Todd Cushing

Liturgist: Marty Dunne

Tech Team: Scott Ernst, Palmer Chin, Karson Collins, Andre Bruwer

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Awakening

8:30am

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“Be still, and know that I am God”

Psalm 46:10

Light of Christ,
Light of Christ,
Shine on Our Path,
Shine on Our Path,
Chase away all darkness,
Chase away all darkness,
and lead us to the heart of God.
and lead us to the heart of God.

Invocation

Lord Jesus Christ, pour out your Spirit upon your church so that she may faithfully and constantly serve you and your children. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Exodus 33:12-23

Psalm 99

1 Thess 1:1-10

Matthew 22:15-22

Prayers of the People (People respond “Lord, Hear our prayers”)
Lord’s Prayer

Holy Communion

This service is led by Rev. Ken Moody-Arndt

Suggestions for worshipping at *Awakening*:

- Sit in a very upright posture, straight, yet relaxed.
- Place feet flat on floor.
- Take a few slow, deep breaths to relax.
- Listen closely to the scripture as it is read. Is there a **word, image, or phrase** that lingers in your mind? After each reading there will be a time of silence to reflect, allowing God to speak through the Word.
- When thoughts of the world enter your mind, focus on taking slow, deep breaths instead of your “to do” list.
- Remember being still takes practice. Do not give up.
- You may leave when you feel it is time to leave. There is no benediction.

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Small Group Study

Sermon on the Mount: A Beginners Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven

The next small group study *begins October 19th and 20th*. Pastor Dan will lead the 5-week study, *Sermon on the Mount: A Beginners Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven*, by Amy-Jill Devine. Adam Hamilton writes, “Amy-Jill Devine’s book is an essential guide to Jesus’s Sermon on the Mount. Professor Devine invites us to hear the Jewishness of Jesus’ words, understand them in the light of the world to which he spoke them that we might better understand how these words speak to us today.” The same study will be done on *Monday evenings, from 7:00 – 8:15pm*, and on *Tuesday mornings, 9:45 – 11:00am*. The book is available in the church office (\$17). The study will be offered via Zoom. Pastor Dan

Christmas Wreaths Fundraiser

Back by popular demand, we are selling fresh Christmas Wreaths. (Yes, Christmas will be coming!) The 22-inch Noble Fir wreaths are fresh, fragrant traditional arrangement. It includes a red velvet water-repellent bow and two snowy pinecone clusters for easy attaching. The cost is \$20 per wreath with the *last day to order Friday, November 6th*. Church pick-up starts Sunday, December 6th or during office hours the following week. Home delivery is also available. Order by calling Teresa Graham (440.356.2267) or the church office. Please indicate number of wreaths desired and if pick-up or delivery. Thank you in advance for supporting the church with your purchase.

Church Building Hours

Monday – Thursday; 8:00am – 2:00pm The building is CLOSED Fridays