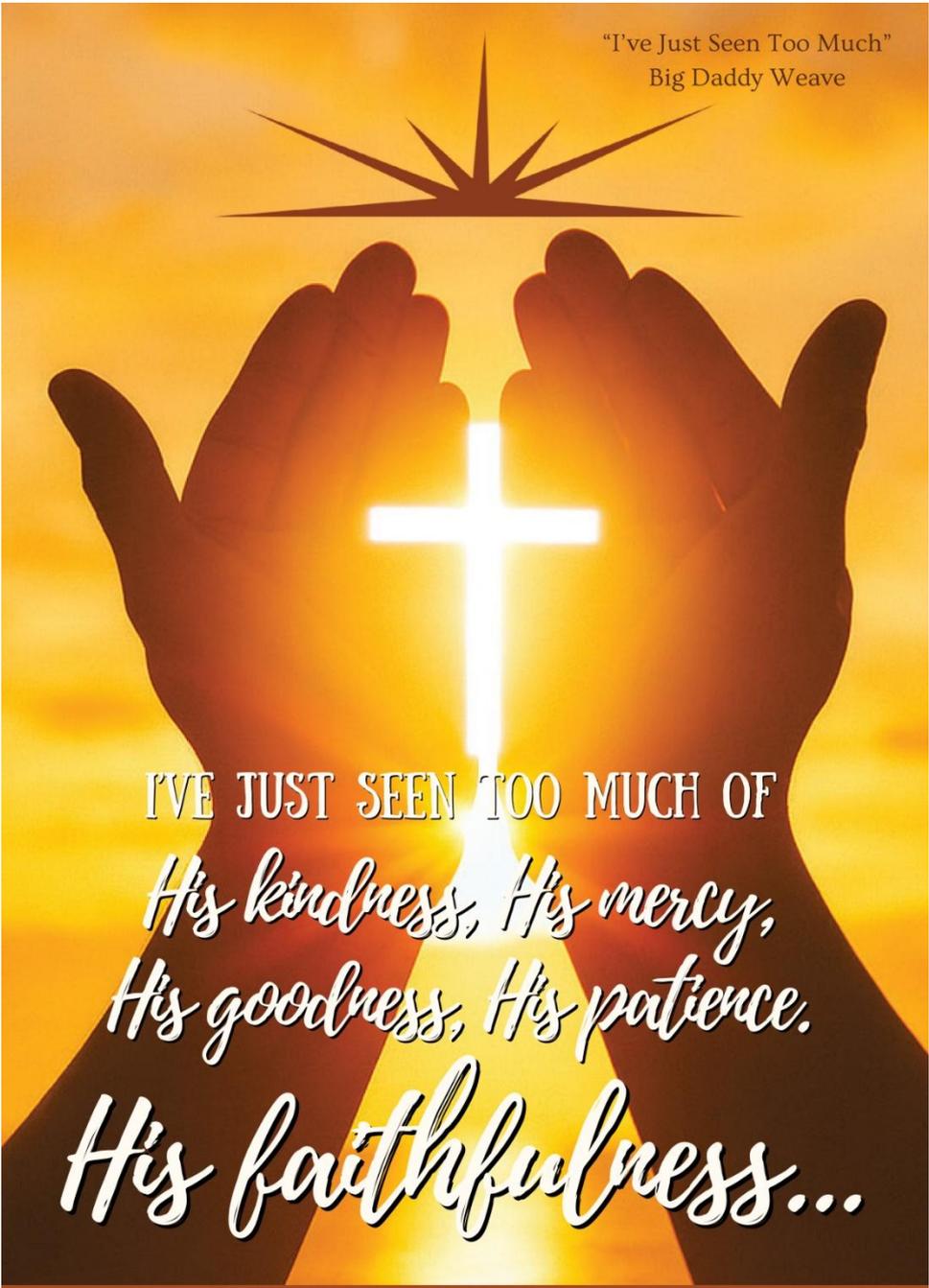


"I've Just Seen Too Much"
Big Daddy Weave



I'VE JUST SEEN TOO MUCH OF
*His kindness, His mercy,
His goodness, His patience.*

His faithfulness...

WESTERN RESERVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Western Reserve United Methodist Church

March 15, 2026

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Joyce Hoile

Minister of Visitation: Rev. Don Christensen

Mission Statement: ***Western Reserve Church will develop disciples who reflect Christ's love through worship, fellowship, and service.***

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

****Please rise in body or in spirit***

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Worship the Lord all of you gathered here.

CONGREGATION: Our God is good and worthy of our worship and praise.

LEADER: Worship the Lord when your hearts leap high and when they have sunk to the depths.

CONGREGATION: We will worship God at all times and in all things.

ALL: Cling fast to the Lord and know God's love.

*OPENING HYMN

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" (UMH #474)

*PRAYER (spoken in unison)

This morning, Lord, we come to You with our joys and our heartaches. There are times when it is easy to see You at work in and around us and other times when You seem so very far away. There are times when it is easy to trust in Your promises and point them out to those around us and other times when Your promises seem so very hard to believe. Remind us of Your faithfulness, Lord. Show us Your light and help us to believe when we could so easily fall away. Amen.

DEDICATION OF GIFTS, TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

*Doxology (UMH #95)

*Offertory Prayer

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MORNING PRAYERS – Sharing our joys and concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"God Is So Good" (TFWS #2056 sung twice)

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Psalm 34

Revelation 21:1-6a

*John 11:1-7, 17-26, 32-43

RESPONSE

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"This Is Our Story; This Is Our Song: 'I've Just Seen Too Much'"

*CLOSING HYMN

Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (UMH #557)

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Your Peace)" (UMH #376)

POSTLUDE

Thank you to those assisting in our worship services.

Sermon: Pastor Joyce (All Services)

Music: Leaha Marshall and the TOGGLE Praise Team (9:15 am)
Leaha Marshall (11:00 am)

Liturgist: Doug Price (9:15 am)
Lugene Pezzuto (11:00 am)

Greeter: Diane Kamenitsa

Ushers: Steve & Kathy Simon (11:00 am)

Please keep the following friends in your prayers this week:

Those in Nursing Homes:

Park Vista of Youngstown: Linda Ward

Hampton Woods: Nancy Jarvis

Windsor House: Nancy Hull

St. Luke Lutheran Community: Margie Wagner

The Inn @ Glenellen: Richard Fox

The Addison @ Cornersburg: Ila Cochran

Those serving in our military:

Jeff Asch, Jared Eichert, JT Palmer, Riley Miller, Mark Kuntzman,
Jared Muntean

Those with other prayer concerns:

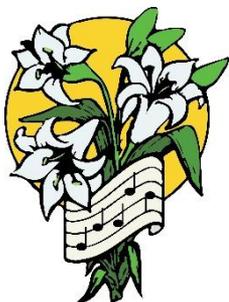
Bill Helsel, Sandra Ellis, Billy Tarr, Betty Brunswick, Tim Treleven,
Bill Robb, Ed Dambik, Terry Hassay, Jon Ramsbottom, Marjorie
Nelson, Halle Wright, Kennedy Turek, Brian Hassel, Marian Doerr,
Barb Rauschenburg, Stuart Hassel, Juanita Bloom, Chelsea
(Schmidt) Kachelries, Laurie Grischow, Lugene Pezzuto, Doug Price,
Jack Phillipson, Linda Daugherty

THE PRAYER LIST IS UPDATED WEEKLY. If you would like to be included in the prayer list, please let the Church Office know and keep us updated as to the status of these prayer requests so that we can remain current on those needing special prayer. Thank you!



WELCOME AND THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR WORSHIP!
If you are visiting with us this morning and have any questions or need assistance, please see an usher.

LENTEN BIBLE READING: Throughout Lent, we will be reading the Bible aloud in the Sanctuary. You are invited to come to the Sanctuary whenever you are in the building for a meeting or activity and spend some time reading God's Word. There will be a log kept by the Bible to enter where you started and stopped so the next person will know where to begin. You may read as little or as much as your time allows. Our goal is to read through the entire Bible by Easter. *We have reached the book of Exodus!*



THEME SONGS for the Lenten Sermon Series can be found in our Spring Brochure which is available in the worship spaces and the Welcome Center area. Please take one for yourself and take some home to share with friends and family members.

NEW MEMBERS MEETING: If you are interested in becoming a member of the church or would just like more information about Christianity, the church, or our ministries, please join us at 5:30 pm on Thursday, March 19.



TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER YOUR EASTER FLOWERS! Order forms are located at the Welcome Center. We will be once again ordering our flowers from Petitti's Garden Center, and the cost is \$9.00 per plant. These flowers will be used to decorate for Easter, and you can take your flowers home following the Easter Sunday services.



Game Night

February 27
6:00 pm

bring a dessert or snack to share.

A graphic for a Game Night event. The background is a red and white checkerboard pattern. On the left, there are several playing cards (Ace of Spades, 3 of Hearts, 8 of Clubs, 5 of Diamonds) and three pawns (yellow, red, blue). The text 'Game Night' is written in a large, white, cursive font with a red outline. To the right, the date and time 'February 27 6:00 pm' are written in a bold, white, sans-serif font. Below that, the instruction 'bring a dessert or snack to share.' is written in a white, italicized, sans-serif font.

SOUP AND BREAD SUPPER: On Maundy Thursday, April 2 at 6:00 pm, we are having a soup and bread supper. We need about 4 people to donate a crockpot of soup and others to bring a variety of breads. If you can help, please sign up at the Welcome Center.

Holy Week

Join us as we journey through the most sacred week of the Christian year during Holy Week. Together we will walk with Christ from celebration, to sacrifice, to resurrection hope. Come and worship with us during these meaningful services.



PALM Sunday

CELEBRATE JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY!

With palm branches and joyful worship, we remember the day Jesus entered Jerusalem as the crowds shouted, "*Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.*"

SERVICES TAKE PLACE AT 8:30, 9:15, 11:00 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL | BIBLE STUDY AT 9:30 AM
EASTER EGG HUNT & LUNCH AT 11:15 AM



MAUNDY Thursday

AN EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP AND WORSHIP

Come share a simple meal together as we remember the Last Supper Jesus shared with His disciples. Following supper, we will gather for a meaningful worship service and celebrate Holy Communion as we reflect on Christ's command to love and serve one another.

SUPPER AT 5:00 PM | SERVICE AT 7:00 PM



GOOD Friday

PRAYER VIGIL (12:00 - 3:00 PM)

The sanctuary will be open for quiet prayer and reflection during the hours traditionally remembered as the time Christ hung on the cross.

TENEBRAE SERVICE (7:30 PM)

Join us for a moving service of Scripture, prayer, and the gradual extinguishing of candles as we reflect on the suffering and death of our Lord.



EASTER Sunday

REJOICE IN THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD!

Together we will worship with joyful music, inspiring Scripture, and the message of hope that Easter brings. This is a day of celebration as we proclaim the good news of Christ's victory over death.

EASTER BREAKFAST | 7:00-9:00 AM
WORSHIP SERVICES | 8:30, 9:15, 11:00 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE STUDY | 9:30 AM



**LUNCH
INCLUDED!**

**EASTER
EGG
HUNT**



**SUNDAY,
MARCH 29** | **11:15 AM**



There will also be a "Palm Parade"
at the beginning of the 9:15 and 11:00 services.

EASTER CANDY: The Christian Education Committee is asking for donations of wrapped Easter candy (miniature size) for the Sunday school Easter party. There is a basket in the narthex for you to place your donations in. Sunday, March 22 is the last day to bring in your donations. Thank you!



WOMEN'S SUNDAY: We will be celebrating women in mission on Sunday, April 12th with a joint worship service at 10:00 am. There will be no other services that day as we come together in worship. Everyone is welcome to stay after the service for a reception.

SUSAN BALDWIN WOULD LIKE TO THANK everyone for their prayers, love, and support during her mother's recent battle with cancer and her passing.

OFFERING ENVELOPES: There was a printing issue in the March/April envelope sets. The company who does our envelopes has mailed out new sets and you should have received them this past week. Please use these instead of the sets you received previously. On a side note, if you are not receiving envelopes and would like to, please contact the Church Office. Thank you!

ALTAR FLOWERS: Sponsors are needed for many Sundays in 2026, including March 29. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please sign up on the sheet at the Welcome Center. The cost is \$20.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

- Men's Bible study – Meets in the Fellowship Hall every Tuesday at 8:00 am except for the 1st Tuesday when they meet at Trek Coffee House (1588 Mahoning Ave.).
- Adult Bible study & prayer group – Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the Youth Room. If you would like more information or have any prayer requests for the group, please contact Laura (cell: 330-770-7017 or email: walton32000@yahoo.com).



AND SO IS THE GAB SALE! Start saving your donations for this annual event that will be held April 30-May 3. Donations of clothes, housewares, small appliances, home décor, jewelry, baby items, collectibles, furniture (especially furniture) and more are appreciated, but please, no large appliances, encyclopedias, textbooks, magazines, mattresses, oversize sofas, China cabinets, entertainment centers, computers, or televisions. More information will be coming soon.

THANK YOU, JOANN! JoAnn Truax has announced that this will be her last year leading the GAB Sale. She has served in this position for the last 14 years, and we thank her for her dedication and service to this ministry. A time of recognition is being planned for a future date.

GAB SALE TEAM: We are looking for a team of up to 5 people who would be willing to lead the GAB Sale. You would meet with JoAnn to see how things are currently organized, visit the GAB Sale to experience it firsthand, and then begin meeting as a team to plan for next year. If you are interested in being a part of this team, please contact the Church Office. If you have any questions, feel free to ask Pastor Joyce or JoAnn.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 8

Early Worship Service (8:30 am)	7
T.O.G.G.L.E. Service (9:15 am)	44
Traditional Service (11:00 am)	38
Total Worship Attendance	89

Amount needed to meet weekly budget: \$6,631

Total Giving amount: \$1,768 (This includes electronic giving.)



Electronic Giving is available! Simply scan the QR code with your phone and you will be taken to the secure Vanco online giving platform where you can make your donation to WRUMC electronically.



PARKING LOT/FRONT DITCH PROJECT

Received to date: \$9,309

(after payments for work completed)

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GIVING TO
THE PARKING LOT/FRONT DITCH PROJECT!
WE STILL HAVE MORE WORK TO GET DONE!***

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TODAY

Worship Services (8:30, 9:15, 11:00 am)
Sunday school/Bible study (9:30 am)

TUESDAY

Men's Bible Study (8:00 am)
Helping Hands Closet (9:00 am - 1:00 pm)
Sewing Circle (9:00 am)
Bible Study/Prayer Group (6:00 pm)

THURSDAY

New Member Orientation (5:30 pm)

COMING UP!

Family Game Night (March 27 | 6:00 pm)
Easter Egg Hunt (March 29 | 11:15 am - 1:00 pm)
Soup & Bread Supper (April 2 | 5:00 pm)
Maundy Thursday Worship (April 2 | 7:00 pm)
Good Friday Prayer Vigil (April 3 | 12:00-3:00 pm)
Tenebrae Service (April 3 | 7:30 pm)