

# ACTS

of the

# APOSTLES

## Being Bold AND Speaking Up

*When Jesus had called the Twelve together,  
he gave them power and authority  
to drive out all demons and to cure diseases,  
and he sent them out to proclaim the  
kingdom of God and to heal the sick.*

— LUKE 9:1-2 —



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# **Western Reserve United Methodist Church**

**May 31, 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: A wind breathes among us, calling us to gather in the name of the Holy One.

**CONGREGATION: A fire burns within us, calling us to service, calling us to prayer.**

LEADER: A Spirit moves around us, calling us to turn in joy toward the sorrows of the world.

**CONGREGATION: Come, Spirit of Truth, fill our hearts.**

LEADER: May that which was of stone be now transformed into life.

**CONGREGATION: Come, Spirit of Life, change our hearts.**

LEADER: May we who receive Your light dwell together in Your love.

**CONGREGATION: Come, Spirit of Love, soften our hearts.**

LEADER: Make us bold to bring light to the dark places, warmth to the cold places, and love to the empty places.

**CONGREGATION: Come, Spirit of Faith, strengthen our hearts.**

LEADER: Spirit of the Living God, fill our hearts, minds, and souls to overflowing.

**CONGREGATION: Come, Spirit of God, move in our hearts.**

**ALL: Our God – we, Your people, celebrate the mystery of Your never-ending love.**

- (Roberta Hiday and The Seekers Church Liturgy 2005, select passages)

## **\*OPENING HYMN**

*“Come, Thou Almighty King”* (UMH #61)

**\*PRAYER** (spoken in unison) – UMH #329

**O Great Spirit, whose breath gives life to the world and whose voice is heard in the soft breeze; we need Your strength and wisdom. Cause us to walk in beauty. Give us eyes ever to behold the red and purple sunset. Make us wise so that we may understand what You have taught us. Help us learn the lessons You have hidden in every leaf and rock. Make us always ready to come to You with clean hands and steady eyes, so when life fades, like the fading sunset, our spirits may come to You without shame. 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**

*“Surely the Presence of the Lord”* (UMH #328)

## **MINISTRY OF THE WORD**

Acts 5:12-20

Acts 7:1-10, 51-53

\*Luke 9:1-6

## **RESPONSE**

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

***ALL: Thanks be to God.***

## **MESSAGE**

***"Acts of the Apostles: Being Bold and Speaking Up"***

## **\*CLOSING HYMN**

*"Blessed Assurance"* (UMH #369)

## **\*BENEDICTION**

## **\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*"He Is Exalted"* (TFWS #2070)

## **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)  
Diane Price (11:00 am)

Greeter: Jim Grischow

Ushers: Harriet MacAvoy & Jim Grischow (11:00 am)

# Church FAMILY —PRAYER LIST—

The logo features the word "Church" in a black cursive font at the top. Below it, the word "FAMILY" is written in large, bold, teal block letters. A small white icon of a church steeple with a family silhouette inside is positioned over the letter "I" in "FAMILY". At the bottom, the words "—PRAYER LIST—" are written in teal block letters, flanked by horizontal lines.

**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,  
Stuart Hassel, Juanita Bloom, Chelsea (Schmidt) Kachelries, Laurie  
Grischow, Lugene Pezzuto, Doug Price, Jack Phillipson, Linda  
Daugherty, Pastor Joyce, Jim Grischow

**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!

# UPCOMING *Events*

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP!** As the apostles were filled with courage to speak boldly of God's love and truth, may we also open our hearts to the Spirit's leading today. In a world that often calls for fear or silence, we gather to be strengthened in faith, encouraged by one another, and reminded that Christ still calls us to live and love boldly. Whether you come with confidence or with questions, know that you are warmly welcomed here and deeply loved by God.

## **OUR 8:30 SERVICE IS MOVING OUTSIDE FOR THE SUMMER!**

Starting this morning, the 8:30 service will be held in Woodland Haven in good weather, the Picnic Shelter if it rains, and in the Sanctuary if it is really cold or stormy. Come join us as we worship God in the beauty of His creation!

## **MISSION TRIP DONATIONS**

As you know, we have a team going to Asheville, NC in July to help rebuild homes in communities devastated by Hurricane Helene in 2024. We are asking for donations to help fund their efforts as they travel and help those in need. An envelope has been provided in every bulletin for your donation if you would like to help. Please place your donation in the offering basket/plate at the main doors of the Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary. Checks can be made out to WRUMC and marked "Mission Trip" on the memo line. Thank you for your generosity!



**DRIVEWAY REPAIRS:** Weather permitting, the large potholes in the driveway entrance will be repaired on Friday, July 3. The driveway will be unusable that day, so if you have anything you need to do at the church that week, please plan accordingly. Thank you!

**GAB SALE 2.0:** There have been many people who have expressed an interest in shaping the future of the GAB Sale. We will be scheduling a meeting soon for brainstorming and sharing of ideas. Please watch the bulletin for more information or contact the church office to be put on the contact list.

**NEW ADDRESS:** Ila Cochran is recovering from hip replacement surgery and is in recovery at the Windsor House. Cards can be sent to Ila at: 6445 State Route 446 #C21  
Canfield, OH 44406



*United Women in Faith Luncheon*

**JUNE 11 | 12:00 PM**



**All women AND MEN are invited to our picnic** in the pavilion on Thursday, June 11 at 12 noon. Please bring a dish to share if able. Drinks and tableware will be provided. Bob Eister will give a presentation on Gardening for All Ages. This will be especially helpful for seniors and those with mobility issues who want to continue gardening. Join us and bring a friend! For more information, contact Diane Price.

# Campfire

June 13 | 6:30 pm

Hot Dogs, S'mores and other snacks  
will be provided.  
Bring a chair or blanket.



## **WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES**

- **Men's Bible study** – Meets in the Fellowship Hall every Tuesday at 8:00 am.
- **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](mailto:walton32000@yahoo.com)).

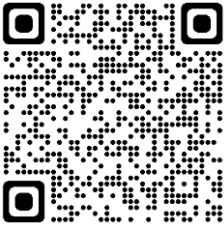
**ALTAR FLOWERS** are provided by Karen Himes in memory of loved ones. Sponsors are needed for many Sundays in 2026. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please sign up on the sheet at the Welcome Center. The cost is \$20.



## **GIVING FOR SUNDAY, MAY 24**

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

**Total Giving amount: \$1,418** (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: \$9,409**

(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!***

# NOTES

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## TODAY

Worship Services (8:30 am, 9:15 am, 11:00 am)  
Sunday School (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

Administrative Board Meeting (7:00 pm)

## COMING UP!

Trustees Meeting (June 9 | 6:00 pm)  
UWF Picnic in the Pavilion (June 11 | 12:00 pm)  
Campfire (June 13 | 6:30 pm)  
Church Office Closed (June 19)  
Mission Trip Informational Meeting (June 22 | 7:00 pm)