

The First Congregational Church

Your Independent Worship Center

The LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

Job 42:10, NRSV



October 27, 2024



Deeply Rooted ~ Future Focused

Pastor Luke Schmalz 920-428-0030
Office Hours - Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Please call the church office to meet with the Pastor
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Offering plates are located in the narthex.

The Order of Worship
**please stand, if you are able*

Prelude: Rachel Poches

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship (Psalm 34)

Pastor: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

All: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

Pastor: I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed. This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

All: O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

Opening Prayer

***Opening Hymn** - "O Magnify the Lord" - **Blue Hymnal #124**

Prayer of Confession

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayer

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Psalm 34:22)

Pastor: Hear the good news! The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Response** - Gloria Patri

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.

JeLy Bell! All kids are invited to go to the JeLy Room for JeLY Church! (JeLy ~ Jesus Loves You)

Scripture:

Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Message: "The Fortunes of Job" - **Pastor Luke Schmalz**

***The Apostles' Creed** (words projected)

***Hymn** - "Be Thou My Vision" - **Blue Hymnal #562** vs 1,2,4

Moments of Praise & Prayer Requests

Prayers of the Congregation

The Lord's Prayer (words projected)

***Doxology (As the offering is brought forward)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn** - "America the Beautiful" - **Blue Hymnal #799**

Benediction

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

All: Amen.

***The Peace of Christ**

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

***Sending**

Pastor Luke Schmalz

***Postlude:** Rachel Poches

Altar Rep: Mary Butterick

Greeting us today: Tony & Carrie DeMull

Next Sunday:

Song Leader: Pat Krehn

Tech Booth - Thank you volunteers!

Happy Birthday to ~

Sally DeShetler (29)

Happy Anniversary to ~

Prayer Requests ~

This Weeks Calendar

Sunday, October 27

10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall
5:00 p.m. “The Chosen” season 4 - Fellowship Hall

Monday, October 28

9:30 a.m. Men’s Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered
6:30 p.m. Executive Council - Library

Tuesday, October 29 - Church Office Closed

Wednesday, October 30

9:30 a.m. Men’s Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered

Thursday, October 31 - Church Office Closed

10:30 a.m. Christmas Crafters - Fellowship Hall

Friday, November 1

9:30 a.m. Men’s Coffee Time - Library
10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered

Saturday, November 2

Sunday, November 3

10:00 a.m. Worship with communion
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall
5:00 p.m. “The Chosen” season 4 - Fellowship Hall

Our Church News

Welcome to worship! We are grateful for your presence - whether you are a visitor or a member. Friends and guests, welcome to worship in the name of Jesus, who is both Savior and Friend and who welcomes all.

Hope Initiative - Reinvigorate yourself and our church for the task of evangelism that can be completed in 30 days! We will be having another session. Sign up on the sheet by the office door if you would like to participate.

Harvest InGathering - October 13 - November 10 - bring your pantry items to the table by the office. Checks are welcome - made out to TruNorth

On October 29, Sally DeShetler will be 102 years old. If you would like to send her a greeting her address is:

Sally DeShetler
The Inn at Coal Ridge
1300 CoalRidge Pkwy #401
Wadsworth OH 44281

For the next few weeks our closing song will be a patriotic song as we pray for our country and look to the November election. This was requested by one of our members.

Coffee supplies are now located in the old choir/av room across from the chapel. Thank you to the ladies for moving things around.





Poinsettia Order



- Red 4 1/2" pot - small blooms **\$8.00** _____ (Quantity)
 - Red 6 1/2" pot - 4-7 blooms **\$12.00** _____ (Quantity)
 - Red 7"double - 10-14 blooms **\$20.00** _____ (Quantity)
 - Red 8"triple - 14-18 blooms **\$30.00** _____ (Quantity)
 - Red 10"quad - 18-24 blooms **\$38.00** _____ (Quantity)
- Pot cover will be gold

_____ Total Amount Enclosed

Poinsettia(s) to be used during Advent.

_____ Following worship service, I/we will pick up our poinsettia(s).

_____ Following worship service, the Altar Committee may take care of my/our poinsettia(s) in an appropriate way.

Given by: _____

In Memory of _____

Or

In Honor of _____

This completed form, along with your payment for each poinsettia ordered may be placed in the offering plate, or turned into the church office no later than **November 17, 2024 - NO LATE ORDERS**