



Our Mission: Love God, Love People, Make Disciples

March, 2024 Rev. Steve Anderson, Pastor

Pastor's Message

As we journey through this season of Lent focusing on the final 40 days of Christ's earthly ministry, culminating in His death and resurrection, let us not lose sight of His final 40 days on this earth that came afterwards. It was during this time that Jesus revealed Himself with many infallible proofs. This validates the truth of all that the Bible says and it reminds us that we serve the risen Savior. Too often people want to leave Jesus only hanging on the cross, but because He lives, not only are we given the promise of eternal life, but of new life here and now as well. Far too many people that leave Christ on the cross only want to worship a dead Jesus. Meaning they think because of His death they can live and do as they please and all will be okay. When we come to the realization that we serve a risen Savior, who sits in full power and glory and is coming back again as King of Kings and Lord of Lords, the one who will judge with justice, it changes our perspective. Because Christ lives, we can be assured that the word of God is living and active according to all that it says, and we are to live for Christ according to God's living word. As we go through this season of Lent and prepare to celebrate Easter, let us follow Christ with a faith that is alive and active, one that bears fruits of the Spirit, rather than with a dead faith that bears no fruits.

Pastor Steve

Lent IS A TIME TO
GROW
CLOSER TO JESUS

40 Days with Jesus

focusing on The Actions and Person of Christ. Tuck this reading plan in your Bible to keep track of your reading. Day 1 begins on Ash Wednesday. Sundays are not included in the plan. Use this day for personal reflection or as a catch-up day.

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| 1. John 1:1-18 | 21. John 10 |
| 2. John 1:19-51 | 22. John 11 |
| 3. Mark 1 | 23. Mark 10 |
| 4. Mark 2 | 24. Mark 11 |
| 5. Mark 3 | 25. John 12 |
| 6. John 2 | 26. Mark 12 |
| 7. John 3 | 27. Mark 13 |
| 8. John 4 | 28. Mark 14:1-42 |
| 9. John 5 | 29. John 13 |
| 10. Mark 4 | 30. John 14 |
| 11. Mark 5 | 31. John 15 |
| 12. Mark 6 | 32. John 16 |
| 13. Mark 7 | 33. John 17 |
| 14. John 6:1-40 | 34. Mark 14:43-72 |
| 15. John 6:41-71 | 35. John 18 |
| 16. Mark 8 | 36. Mark 15 |
| 17. Mark 9 | 37. John 19 |
| 18. John 7 | 38. Mark 16 |
| 19. John 8 | 39. John 20 |
| 20. John 9 | 40. John 21 |

Tithes and Offerings

Thanks again for your support financially to Wildare! Your stewardship helps us grow our ministries and reach more people for the Kingdom! You may mail any offerings to: Wildare Church 7211 North Park Ave. Cortland, OH 44410 or give online and in person during worship.

Waving Palms on Palm Sunday

If your child/children would like to participate in the waving of the palm branches, please have them in the connector **by 10:15** on March 24th. They will enter the Family Life Center waving the branches and pass them out to the congregation.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to help decorate the altars for Easter in either the Sanctuary of the Family Life Center, please bring an Easter flower (lily, tulip, daffodil etc.) to share by Thursday, March 28th and you can take it home with you after worship on Easter Sunday!



Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 24 **COMBINED 10:30am** service
In the Family Life Center

Maundy/Holy Thursday

March 28
Service @ 7:00pm in the Sanctuary

Good Friday

March 29
Service @ 7:00pm in the Sanctuary



Easter Celebration

We would love to see you at our Easter Celebration on Sunday, March 31. You are invited to our sunrise service at 7:30am in the sanctuary as well as our 9am & 11am Easter services!



Easter breakfast will follow the Sunrise service at 8:00am in the FLC. **Call or email the office, or sign the sign-up form at the welcome center to let us know if you will be attending** so we can prepare enough food!

330-637-5000

wildarehl@gmail.com

Children's Message-Children of all ages
Sunday morning during the 11:00 service.
(The children will be released to Junior
Church following the singing.)

Wildare Boardgame Night

Friday, March 15 @ 6:00 p.m. in the connector.
Refreshments and snacks available

Come enjoy a night of wholesome fun with friends
and family. Board games ranging from children to
adults will be available to learn and play. Child care
may be provided determined by availability.

**GAME
NIGHT**

Children's/Youth Fellowship –

SPARKS group for ages 10-14 from 12:30-2:30 p.m.
and Ignite Youth Fellowship for ages 15-18 from
2:30-4:30 p.m. every Sunday.

Contact Barb for more information
at wildarebw@gmail.com

Youth Help

We need a couple of adult volunteers to assist our
youth director. If a few step up, you would not have
to be here every Sunday Please let Barb know if you
are able to serve in this way!

Sunday School-Ages 4-11

Sunday mornings in the Connector @
10:10-10:50.

Sunday School

Please let Barb know if your child or youth would be
interested in attending Sunday School from 10:10-
10:50. We would like to start a Sunday School
class for every age. Please email Barb if you are
interested in teaching a children's Sunday School
class. wildarebw@gmail.com

Coming Soon: Vacation Bible School 2024

If anyone needs to plan their summer
vacations around VBS, it will be June 24-28.
With VBS celebration Sunday being held on
June 30th.

If you are interested in helping this year,
please contact the office or Barb. We will
have helper forms ready to fill out in March!

Jr. Church Schedule 4 years-Grade 5 for February:

3/3 - Abby
3/10 - Shana
3/17 - Beth
3/24 - Trish
3/31 - Easter - Kids worship in the service
with their families



**Remember to set your clocks ahead on
Saturday evening, March 9th before you go to
bed!**

Easter Egg Hunt

For children ages 2-11
Saturday, March 9 @ 12:00 p.m.

This is an outdoor event, so dress for the weather!

We need your help:

Donations of individually wrapped candy that fits in
plastic eggs **needed by March 3.**

There will be a box for candy donations in the
connector

To make monetary donations, place an envelope in
the offering plate marked "Easter Egg Hunt"

There is a sign-up form at the welcome center in the
connector to donate bikes for each age group



If you are in Need of Prayer

Please notify Pastor Steve 740-491-4963 or Hope 330-637-5000. We can pray with you or start the prayer chain. Whatever you need us to do!

Men's Prayer Breakfast

The next prayer breakfast will be on Sunday, March 17 @ 7:00am in the FLC

Please Pray For:

Shirley M., Virginia W., Missy, Casey, Jennifer, Jackie M., Eleanor, Eryn - 2 yr old, Jill, Rose Ann, Lee, Karen, Steve, Tim, Pat R., Niki, Jim B., Joan, Dixie, Rick P, Jim, Dave & Linda, Karen's cousin, Pastor Renee, Ukraine, forgiveness, Sandi K., Gail, Art E., Jay H., Jim W., Terri Kay, Lynn, Sharon D., David, Dawn liver transplant, Alan, Barb W, Ed, Cathy, Donna, Roberta, Dave D., Sharon, Marvin S., Debbie, Trudi, Tony V., Becky B., David R., Carrie, Clint and Cathy, Garrett, Christy, Dotty (not a member) Brian, Hugh and Dave S., Baby Gio, Emily S., Sydnee V., Denny S., Mary Sue, Linda J., Kolton, Chase, Bridget R., Jack, Dorothy L, Cathy Szepletowski's brother & sister, Brigitta O., Marilyn M., Marie L., Richard G., Roger S

Pastors

Steve Anderson, Darlene Robinson, Maggi Armstrong, Rick Oaks, Jody Baker, Tal Lewis

Missionaries

Jeannine Brabon, Cox Family, Scott & Jessie Downey, Clifford & Sunny Grant, Frank & Beth Kuligowski, Joann Glad, John Schmidt Family, Jamie Torrico Jr, Bella Women's Center, HOWW Ministries, Kairos Prison Ministries, Operation Christmas Child, Red Bird Mission, Maplewood Rocket Fuel, Warren Family Mission, Wildare Food Pantry, Wildare Church

Please let Hope know if any of the above names should be removed from our list!

Wildare Church Membership

The Wildare Church Administrative Board voted that all previous members of Wildare United Methodist Church could continue their membership with Wildare Church once they confirm their desire to do so. A Wildare Membership Survey form is available in the Connector or Church Office for you to sign and confirm your desire to be a member of Wildare Church. The Wildare Constitution and Tenets of Faith are available on our website at wildarechurch.com.

Please contact the church office if you have questions or need additional information.

Wildare Walkers

The walkers will be taking a break. If there is someone who can step up and open the doors and head this group up, please contact Hope during office hours. They usually meet Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays @ 8:00 a.m.

Come Visit Us Online at Our Church Website

www.wildarechurch.com

Information about upcoming ministry, download our church phone app, online giving, our weekly sermons on video and more! AND, at our Facebook page: Wildare Church Also, on Twitter, YouTube and Instagram

Deadline to get information in to Hope for April Wings/newsletter is Tuesday, March 26

Men's Bible Study

Tuesdays @ 8:00am
In the Family Life Center

Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays @ 8:00 a.m.
In the connector

Adult Bible Study

Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.
In the connector

Administrative Board Meeting

Thursday, March 21 @ 6:00 pm in person in the connector. Please note that all chairs and ministry leaders are asked to attend and share about their ministries. If unable to attend, please send a report that can be shared.

Stewardship Ministry

Looking for volunteers who are interested in promoting tithing through either the Financial Peace ministry or another Stewardship ministry.

Recording Our Faithfulness for the month of February (three Sundays):

Average Sunday School Attendance: 17

Average Worship Attendance: 115

Average of Tithes & Offerings: \$5210.00

Weekly budgeted amount needed: \$5440.00

Giving YTD: \$34,247.00

March Mission Of the Month

Our mission this month will be 30 pieces of silver. You can either make a monetary donation OR buy laundry detergent that will be passed out at our April food drive. There will be a table in the connector where you can put the detergent. We passed food out to 197 families, 509 individuals in February. What a blessing it would be if we could have 200 bottles of detergent donated so every family could receive one. Thank you for serving in this way!

Food Pantry/Give Away

Thanks so much for all who helped serve over 197 families in February

Stats:

Total Families Served - 197
New Families Served - 16
Families without Children - 131
Families with Children - 60
Total Individuals served - 514
Children (birth-17) - 126
Adults (18-59) - 246
Seniors (60+) - 142

Our next giveaway will be March 2 at 10am. ***Packing bags with non-perishables will be done on Friday, March 1 @ 4:00.*** We will continue to serve our community the first Saturday of the month. ***If you want to help, simply show up the morning of the giveaway a little early and we will assign you to a team.***

Thank You

Just a note to say thanks so much!! Thank you for hosting the Night to Shine. Crystal had a great time!

Wildare would like to thank the following churches, businesses, and people for their donations that helped to make our annual Night to Shine a huge success:

MJ Photography - Photo Booth
Mecca Community Church -
Bus to transport volunteers
Wilburt Tolley - Limo, KNK Balloons - balloons
Bristol Community Church -
Paid for DJ and donated cookies
Tony Vitale - karaoke
Tammy Sekela & Associates - Hair
Nile First UMC - 15 Dozen Cupcakes
Bazetta Christian Church - Parking Lot for volunteers
Chick-fil-A, Texas Road House, Champion Domino's
Pizza

Proud pappy, Pastor Tal Lewis and proud daddy, Thomas Lewis





ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH:

- 4 Leo and Carol Pierce
- 11 Kirk and Jackie Makar
- 20 Mark and Rebecca Kaiser

BIRTHDAYS

MARCH:

- 1 Christina Haycox
- 2 Terry Parry, Susan Lewis
Cooper Downey, Maddy Way,
Luke Miller, Kathryn Miller
- 4 Robert Armstrong
- 5 Todd Shafer, Jim Waldman,
Dave Mahan
- 7 Frank Kuligowski, Pat Seger
- 12 Ryland (Cash) Whiting
- 14 Genevieve Fonce, Gavin Sloan
- 15 Matthias Muresan
Ian Granados, Brayden Price
- 16 Pastor Jody Baker
- 18 Jim Price Jr, Lisa Nalbach
- 21 Brandon Haycox, Katie Ross
- 22 Janet Guenzi
- 23 Shirley Muresan, Bob Yale
Barb Waldman
- 24 Charles Rood, Doug Way
- 26 Debi Milani, Jim Ross
- 28 Mary Jo Rasmussen, James Lowry
- 29 Michelle Murray, Michelle Steffey
- 30 Phil Armstrong

Join us on Facebook to watch sermons live

(on Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/Wildare/> AND in person)

February Sermons below, see what you missed or watch them again on Facebook/YouTube/Twitter/Instagram

- 2/4//24 - Guest Speaker - Pastor Rodd Meyer - "Delivered Up" Matthew 20:17-19
- 2/11/24 - Pastor Steve Anderson - "Majority or Minority" - Judges 7:1-7
- 2/18/24 - Pastor Steve Anderson - "Letting Go of That Which Blinds Us"
John 15:18-25
- 2/25/24 - Pastor Steve Anderson - "Keeping it Real" - Matthew 25:1-13



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Sunday School Class
For Adult & Children at 10:10 am
Morning Worship at
9:00 am (Traditional - Sanctuary) &
11:00 am (Contemporary - FLC)

Come as you are!!

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