

Seville United Methodist Church

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“Inner Purity”



Seville UMC's Mission Statement

“The mission of Seville United Methodist Church is to make and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of our community and the world.”



We welcome all who are visiting today! If you do not have a “church family,” we invite you to be a part of ours.

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3rd Sunday in Lent

WELCOME

Melanie Gladden

A warm and loving welcome is offered to all who come to worship God today. If you do not have a church home, our prayer is that you would consider becoming part of our church family. Our aim in worship is to offer praise to God by exalting Jesus Christ and responding to his Word for our lives. We invite you to encounter the Living God today, who is glad you are here. We are also blessed by your presence.

CHURCH NEWS

Melanie Gladden

The Church in Action, Announcements, Celebrations

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted From a Song Called “Keep My Heart” by Paul Baloche)

Liturgist: Lord, keep our hearts tender before you,

People: And enable us to hear your voice and follow you.

Liturgist: Lord, keep our hearts yearning to know you more;

People: And eager to hear your Word and to obey your way.

Liturgist: Lord, keep our hearts innocent and undefiled,

People: Oh, Lord, you are so beautiful and bright.

Liturgist: Come and worship the King of love, our God most high!

***HYMN OF PRAISE** Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

UMH 64

JC KIDS

Amy Barr

CHILDREN’S CHAT TBD

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PRAYER CONCERNS

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UNISON PRAYER:

O God, by your Spirit, draw us close to Jesus. And as we come to him, help us to listen and understand him so that we may truly live out our life’s purpose and glorify you. Amen

*** HYMN OF PREPARATION** Change My Heart, O God

TFWS 2152

* Please stand as you are able

March 8, 2026

Gospel Reading: Mark 7:1-9 p. 818

Melanie Gladden

Gospel Reading: Mark 7:14-21 p. 819

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Sermon Title: Headlines From The “Good News Gazette”

Editor: John Mark ~ The Health & Beauty Section ~Inner Purity Pastor Dave McGrath

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

In Unison

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us; And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.

RECEIVING THE OFFERING

Ushers

***DOXOLOGY** UMH 95

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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***HYMN OF DEDICATION:** I Want To Be A Christian In My Heart

UMH 402

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor: May the mercy of God cleanse us from the inside out.

People: O God, by the blood of Christ, wash us clean.

Pastor: May the love of Jesus take root deep within our hearts;

People: O God, by your Spirit, draw us close to Jesus.

Pastor: And may the Spirit of God continue to transform us with grace and beauty.

People: O God, by your Spirit, draw us closer to you and one another. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Pam Mullin

*Most Recent Prayer Concerns/Praises week of 3/2/26 ** ** A complete list of all those asking for prayers is provided as a separate page on the table outside the sanctuary doors. **New Prayer Request: Anya Parsons** had bilateral occipital decompression surgery on 3/4/26. Please continue to pray for her. We are very optimistic that this will help her return to her normal self. Recovery just depends on the individual and can be 2 weeks to several months. She would like to thank everyone for the prayers, well wishes and our church family for the flowers. She is definitely feeling so loved.*

Mark Ewing’s heart surgery went well!

Kevin Barr is home after his knee surgery!

Both Kevin and Mark start their recuperation time, therefore continue to keep them in prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **MARCH FOOD PANTRY ITEM OF THE MONTH:** Cleaning Products.
- **Mar. 8th** The musical passion play Tetélestai will be presented at **Lafayette United Methodist Church** March 8th at 2 PM. The event is FREE; at 6201 Lafayette Rd. Medina, OH.
- **Join us this month for Adult Sunday School at 9:30 AM** on Sundays in the parlor where we will review *Acts 13-28 The Study of the Apostle Paul*.

Event	Date	Time
TIME CHANGES Spring Clocks ahead one hour	Sun. 3/8/26	Spring Ahead
The musical passion play Tetélestai will be presented at Lafayette UMC March 8th 2 PM.	Fri., Sat. & Sun. 3/6 to 3/8	8:00 Fri/ Sat. & 2:00 Sun.
Pastor Dave’s Lenten Series, “In The Dust Of The Rabbi,” continues to Sunday 3/29.	Mon. 3/8/26	6:30 PM
The 200 th Anniversary Planning Committee meets. All who are interested in helping are welcome.	Mon. 3/9/26	7:00 PM
Joy Caring Group meets at IHOP Please RSVP to Bette Smith, or Kathy Swagler. Thank you!	Tues. 3/10/26	11:30 AM
Trustee Meeting	Tues. 3/10/26	7 PM
JC Kids Meet	Wed. 3/11/26	5:30 PM
Craft Bazaar Group Meets	Thurs. 3/12/26	9:30 PM

Pianist: Pam Mullin **Organist:** Connie Beery

Ushers: Cathy Piper & Beth Meadows

Digital Screen Display: Dean Stutzman

Sound Technician: Dave Gubics & Matthew Gladden

Flowers on the Altar: Given to the Glory of God.

Flowers on the piano: Are in celebration of George Gages 80 + birthday.

A **NEW Bible Study class will begin on April 14th** at 9:30 in the parlor. “*The Faithful: Heroes of the Old Testament (by 5 presenters)*” We will study the lives of 4 men and 1 woman who demonstrate obedience and trust in the steadfastness of our God. Contact Pam Mullin with any questions. *Sign up in Fellowship Hall.*

SAVE THE DATE! Annual Chili Cook Off is on Saturday 5 PM on March 21st!



For details contact Valerie Welday! vawelday@goarrows.org
 Call at 330.329.1531 or 330.441.2205 Deliver auction baskets to the Seville United Methodist Church office **NO LATER THAN**

3/15/26! We appreciate any items that you are willing to donate! Please remember to include your group’s name! Thank you for your donation!