

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 4, 2025 7:30am

GATHERING MUSIC Cheryl Smith  
WELCOME & GREETING TIME Pastor Bob Haley  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
PRELUDE Cheryl  
    "Deep River" (arr. Thygerson)  
\*CALL to WORSHIP Pastor Bob  
\*HYMN  
    #140 Great Is Thy Faithfulness  
\*AFFIRMATION of FAITH  
    #881 Apostles' Creed  
PRAISES Cheryl  
PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Bob  
OFFERING  
    "I See The Lord" (Harlan)  
\*DOXOLOGY & OFFERING PRAYER  
SCRIPTURE READING Kelley Berta  
    Colossians 3:1-4 (NLT)  
SERMON SERIES: I Have A Question  
    "Is Heaven Real?" Rev. Dave St. Aubin  
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION  
    "Change My Heart, O God"  
\*CLOSING HYMN (The Altar is open for prayer at this time.)  
    #701 When We All Get To Heaven  
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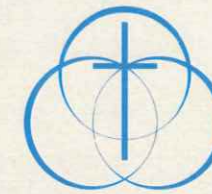
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\*Opening Praise - Pastor John Boggs & Praise Team  
"How Can I Keep From Singing"

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor John

\*Greeting Time

\*Call to Worship

\*Praises

"None But Jesus"

"The Stand"

Children 5th Grade and under to Children's Church

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer - Pastor John

Offering

"Desert Song"

Scripture Reading - John Strand

Colossians 3:1-4 (NLT) - Madison Leisenring

Sermon Series: I Have A Question

"Is Heaven Real?" - Rev. Dave St. Aubin

Sacrament of Holy Communion

"Broken Vessels"

\*Closing Praise

"Desert Song"

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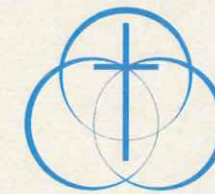
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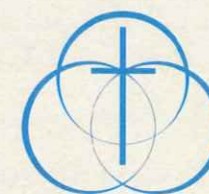
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## SUNDAY 5/4

7:30a Early Riser Worship (S)  
8:15a Coffee & Donuts Café (MH)  
9:00a Family Worship (S)  
9 & 10a Sunday School & Special Needs Classes  
9 & 11a Children's Church (FLC)  
10:15a Youth Sunday School (FLC-16)  
11:00a Traditional Worship (S)  
5:00p **Cinco De Mayo Family Game Night** (MH)

## MONDAY 5/5

9:30a SOAP Group (MH24-25)  
10:00a CLASS 301 (MH22-23)  
10:30a Church on the Go (Windsor)  
7:30p AA 12-Step Coed (MH)

## TUESDAY 5/6

9:30a Quilting for Missions (FLC)  
1:00p Revival Prayer Group (S - PR)  
6:00p Am. Heritage Girls/Trail Life for Boys Info. Mtg. (MH - P)

## WEDNESDAY 5/7

10:00a Cancer Support Visioning (MH)  
3:00p Church on the Go (Advinia)  
3:30p Intercessory Prayer Group (S - PR)  
5:00p Women's Study of Romans (MH - P)  
5:00p Pastor's Bible Study (S)  
6:00p Dinner (MH)  
6:00p CLASS 101 (MH24-25)  
6:30p Youth Bible Study (FLC)  
7:00p Choir Rehearsal (S - CR)

## THURSDAY 5/8

7:30a Early Riser Men (MH22-23)  
10:00a Handbell Cleaning Party (S - CR)  
10:30a Soul Sisters Group (McCain) (MH - P)  
2:00p The Imagery of Revelation (Grand Living Theater)  
6:30p Book of Revelation Study (MH13-14)  
6:30p Praise Band Rehearsals (S)  
7:00p G.A. Support Group (MH24-25)

## FRIDAY 5/9

7:30a Lawn & Garden Crew  
10:00a Breakfast Church Ministry at the Train Depot  
12:00p Al-Anon Support Group (MH24-25)  
7:00p AA Men/Women (MH24-25)

## SATURDAY 5/10

9:00a Soccer Games (Church grounds)  
10:00a Church on the Go (Venice Palms)



## Family Night Today! 5-7 pm, Memorial Hall

Join us for a fun-filled **Cinco de Mayo Family Night**! It's a night of celebration, delicious food, and exciting games for all ages. Whether you're looking to enjoy some great Mexican cuisine, connect with friends, or just have a good time with your family, we've got something for everyone!



## Imagine a Cancer Support Group This Wednesday, May 7, 10 am

We are imagining what a cancer support group may be like in our church's context. The broad nature of cancer and its impact on individuals and families is expansive. The church is hosting an "imagining time" to discern the need for a cancer support group. There are no qualifications to be a part of this visioning group. If you have input from your experience or a loved one's on how a church can help during these difficult days, please come and share how this group might become a ministry. Join us in the Memorial Hall Dining Room. If you are unable to attend, email your thoughts: [PastorBob@ChristVenice.com](mailto:PastorBob@ChristVenice.com)

## Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP)

We seek volunteers to assemble hand-built bed frames for children and families in need. 75 people are needed to sign up for the **Saturday, May 31 build project from 9 am - noon on church grounds**. Breakfast provided. Register to participate in the Narthex or the church office.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Café Service:** We need volunteers for May, June, and July of this year to serve between Sunday Services. No need for prior experience. Please contact Paul Johnson at 513-659-4630 or [paul@christvenice.com](mailto:paul@christvenice.com).
- **Tech Team:** Love music, creativity, and tech? Consider joining the Worship Tech Team: audio, video, lighting, and media. No experience needed; training provided. This is a great opportunity to make a difference behind the scenes on Sundays!  
Email: [worship@christvenice.com](mailto:worship@christvenice.com)
- **Praise Team Singers:** Do you have a heart for worship? We're looking for singers, male and female, young and seasoned. No formal experience required; just bring your voice and your heart. Auditions will be scheduled upon inquiry.  
Email: [sing@christvenice.com](mailto:sing@christvenice.com)
- **Special Needs Ministry:** As this Ministry continues to thrive, we are in need of individuals who can help by serving on a rotation team. No experience is needed! Just a heart to serve. Contact Pastor Dave or Traeclyn Albright in the church office, 941-493-7504.

## Mother's Day Flower Cross

Next Sunday is Mother's Day! As a means of honoring and recognizing this day, please bring a flower from your garden to put into our **Flower Cross** next Sunday morning. The Cross will be in the Narthex, with someone on-hand to help arrange your flower.



## American Heritage Girls/Trail Life Boys

Join an information meeting for startup of these ministries on **Tuesday, May 6th @ 6-7pm** in our Memorial Hall Parlor. These two wonderful children's scouting ministries provide fantastic opportunities to learn, grow, and strengthen faith together. Please consider a leadership role for our boys and girls and plan to attend! The time commitment is not overwhelming, but the results are life-changing. Questions? Contact Pastor Dave in the church office (941-493-7504).

## More From Upward Sports

To expand our sports ministry into Flag Football and Cheerleading (fall) and Basketball (winter 2026), we need your help! If you have a heart to help children learn to play these sports at a non-competitive level, join Pastor Dave for an information session on **Tuesday, May 13 at 6pm** in Memorial Hall Parlor. Questions? Contact Pastor Dave in the church office.

## Prayer Request

As our youth prepare for the end of the school year, please pray that they will **finish strong!**



We extend our deepest Christian Sympathy to Chad & Kristin Jaycox in the death of her mother, **Sally Goeser**; and to Donna McClelland in the death of her husband, **Richard (Rick) McClelland**. We join together in an expression of love at this time.



## Spaghetti Dinner Youth Fundraiser Update

The Lord is so gracious and good. He exceeds our expectations for Wednesday's dinner fundraiser for the youth's trip to the Wilderness Trail this July. \$1,341.64 raised. Hallelujah! Megan Grabo

is extremely grateful for God's provision and for our wonderful congregation, who so dearly loves this next generation.

# SERMON SERIES: I Have A Question ...

## Week 1: Is Heaven Real?

*Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven where Christ sits at God's right hand in the place of honor and power. – Colossians 3:1 (NLT)*

### WHAT IS HEAVEN?

#### **A Real Place**

*in My Father's house are many rooms, and I'm going to prepare a place for you. If this were not true, I would tell you - John 10:42*

#### **Where God Reigns**

*Lord, I look up to You where You rule - Psalm 123:1*

#### **That is prepared for us**

*Come, you who are blessed by My Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you  
- Matthew 25:34*

### WHERE IS HEAVEN?

**We don't know where it is, but we know how to get there!**

*Jesus said; "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me"  
- John 14:6*

# WHAT IS HEAVEN LIKE?

*No eye has ever seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love Him - 1 Corinthians 2:9*

## **Not in Heaven**

Sickness  
Sadness  
Suffering  
Sin  
Death

## **In Heaven**

Rewards  
Responsibilities  
Rest  
Rejoicing  
Reunion

# HOW DO I GET TO HEAVEN?

*The Good News tells us that God makes us ready for heaven when we put our faith and trust in Christ to save us. This is accomplished from start to finish by faith. As the Scripture says it, 'the one who finds life will find it through trusting God.'*

# IF I AM GOING TO HEAVEN SOMEDAY HOW SHOULD I LIVE TODAY?

## **1) Don't Get Discouraged**

*This is why we never give up...These troubles and sufferings of ours are, after all, quite small and won't last very long. Yet this short time of distress will result in God's richest blessing upon us forever and ever! So we do not look at what we can see right now, the troubles all round us, but we look forward to the joys in heaven which we have not yet seen. The troubles will soon be over, but the joys to come will last forever - 2 Corinthians 4:16-18*

## **2) Focus On Serving**

*Let heaven fill your thoughts; don't spend your time worrying about things down here - Colossians 3:2*

**Memory Verse:** *I run toward the goal, so that I can win the prize of being called to heaven. This is the prize that God offers because of what Jesus Christ has done - Philippians 3:14*