

#### Church News & Notes...

Welcome to the Avon United Methodist Church. Our congregation includes people of all backgrounds and perspectives. Our diversity is our strength. We gather together with a common love for God and all of God's people, and we are glad you are with us.

For upcoming events, check out our website at [avonnyumc.org](http://avonnyumc.org) or on Facebook at [facebook.com/AvonnyUMC](https://facebook.com/AvonnyUMC), and follow us on Twitter @UMCAVON

Hearing assistance is available for our services. Just let an usher know for assistance.

For handicap accessibility to the second floor please let the greeter at the door know of this need.

Children are always welcome in worship. Coloring books, crayons, and activity bags are available from the usher.

During our 10:30 service our nursery is available with paid trained, background-checked staff.

Please see Elaine Davis to purchase Tops gift cards, a running fund-raiser for our church!

#### Our Church Staff

Interim Pastor:	DJ Robinson
Lay Leader:	Don Mastin
Instrumentalist:	Mark Brennan
Office Manager:	Mark Brennan
Music Director:	Linda Rosebrough
Custodian:	Bob Wright
Sound Engineer:	Mark Blakely
Child Care Provider:	Madeline Wolfer

#### This Week's Church Activities

##### Sunday April 2, 2017

7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM  
8:30 Worship Service  
9:30 Coffee Hour  
Sunday School/ Praise & Sing Choir  
10:30 Worship Service

##### Monday

9:00 Bulletin Deadline

##### Tuesday

11:45 Lenten Luncheon at Central Presbyterian

##### Wednesday

7:00 Chancel Choir

##### Thursday

9:30 Giggle Time  
11:00 Bible Study

##### Friday

4:30 Lenten Fish Dinner

##### Sunday April 9, 2017

7:30 Radio Ministry WYSL 1040AM  
8:30 Worship Service  
9:30 Coffee Hour  
9:30 Sunday School/ Praise & Sing Choir  
10:30 Worship Service

## Living Our Baptismal Calling: Believe!



WELCOME! We are glad you came to join with us in our worship time today.

WE BELIEVE God's grace is available to all people, no matter where you are from, what you look like, or who you love.

OUR MISSION: to follow in the path of Jesus so that we may grow in faith, serve in His name, and share God's love.

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Radio Ministry Sundays 7:30am, WYSL1040

April 2, 2017

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

5th Sunday of Lent

\*Please Stand in Body or Spirit  
Songs number 2000 or higher  
may be found in the small songbook.

**WE GATHER**

Prelude "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus," arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome *Please fill out Fellowship Folder*

Time of Centering "In the Garden," arr. Jason Krug

\*Call to Worship Psalm 130, #848

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! Lord, hear my voice!

**Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!**

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?  
**But there is forgiveness with you, that you may be worshiped.**

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, in the Lord's word I hope;  
**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.**

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, with the Lord is plenteous redemption.

**And the Lord will redeem Israel from all iniquities.**

\*Praying Together

**We believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**We believe he rose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of the Father, from there he will come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, in the [universal] catholic church. We believe in the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Hymn "We Need a Faith," #2181

**WE LISTEN AND PRAY**

Scripture Ezekiel 37: 11-14  
John 11: 25-27, 38-44

**(10:30)** Conversations with the Children

Sharing our Prayers, Pastor's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer # 895

Gift of Music "The Old Rugged Cross," arr. John Innes

Sermon "If You Would Only Believe"

Hymn "Oh, How I Love Jesus," #170 v. 1-3

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE**

Joy of Giving "Worthy is the Lamb," arr. Mary McDonald

Doxology #95

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Living God, you are the Holy One of Israel. Our world cries out in pain, as children and adults bear heavy loads of injustice and sorrow. You respond with great assurance: 'I am your Savior; I will give you a new life!' Thank you for including us in the work of your church to bring help and renewal to people here and around the globe. Use our lives and these offerings to share the good news of your Spirit's gracious, healing power. We pray through Christ, our risen Lord. Amen. (Ezekiel 37:1-14)**

**WE CELEBRATE COMMUNION**

Hymn "Oh, How He Loves You and Me," #2108

Communion Song "Jesus, Messiah," arr. Lyndell Leatherman

*Please come to the front by the center aisle and stand around the Communion Table. Receive the bread. As the cup is offered, dip your bread into the cup and partake. After a benediction, please return to your seat.*

**WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

\*Hymn "Sent Forth By God's Blessing," #664 v. 1

\*Benediction

\*Postlude "Hosannah!" arr. Mark Hayes

**Assisting in Worship Today**

Interim Pastor	Rev. DJ Robinson
(8:30) Usher	Dan & Julie Brokaw
(10:30) Ushers	Stormy & Craig Bailey
	Gary & Elaine Davis
(10:30) Reader	Bruce Amey
Instrumentalist	Mark Brennan
Music Director	Linda Rosebrough
Sound Engineer	Mark Blakely

**The flowers on the altar are given by Lisa Kay Kuchar, in celebration of this, the holiest of times.**

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Printed Scriptures are from Contemporary English Version unless otherwise noted.

We hope that you have felt God's love  
In a new, refreshing way  
For you're so welcomed in this place  
And we hope you'll come again,  
To join with us in fellowship  
And to make some special friends.

Join us for coffee and a treat each week at 9:30 AM  
downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

**Community News & Notes.....**

Giggle Time	Thursdays	9:30 AM
Weight Watchers	Thursdays	6:30 PM
AA Meeting	Fridays	8:30 PM
Food Addicts Meeting	Sundays	7:00 PM