

# Pastor's Greeting

Dear Brother and Sister,

I would like to share with you a little about my journey. I am originally from Troy, Ohio and moved to Brookville in 2018. I have 2 adult children, Lindsay and Brady. I enjoy singing all styles of music, cooking, lots of different sports, exercising at the YMCA and taking walks before all back problems.

After many years as an active layperson and in the Greater Sidney Emmaus Community, I entered the process for ministry in 2015. After completing the Candidacy Summit in 2015, I met all the required mentoring sessions and interviews. In 2016 I completed Local Licensing School and on January 1, 2017, I received my License for Ministry. During that time I was a pulpit supply at my home church, Troy First UMC. I have also been a pulpit supply at the following churches, Maplewood UMC, Lockington UMC, Fletcher UMC, St. Andrews UMC, and Asbury UMC.

My first appointment was with Bradford UMC in 2017 as a quarter time pastor. In 2018 I was appointed to Brookville First UMC and State Road UMC to make a two-point charge. In 2019 I was appointed to Antioch UMC and Brookville First UMC.

I am currently enrolled at MTSO in Delaware, Ohio for course of study to further my education and will graduate in Oct of 2024. I will be a local pastor who has finished Course of Study.

I am passionate about the local church. I am passionate about seeing believers find their God-given gifts and using them for the expansion of God's kingdom. Going out to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Pastor Keith

# Our Beliefs

We believe the scriptures of both the Old and New Testaments are the inspired word of God. We believe the Holy Spirit guided the authors of the books of the Bible to create God's written word to communication with us, which shows God's love and plan to be in relationship with us. We believe in the great commission to go and make disciples for the transformation of the world.

**God** We believe in one God, who exists in three distinct persons: the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Each person of the Trinity is equally the one God in being, essence, character, power and eternal qualities.

**Jesus** We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Savior who came to earth in the flesh to reveal God to humans and to have a personal relationship with God. We believe Jesus was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary; he is both fully human and fully God. Jesus lived a perfect life of grace and revealed the truth, justice and righteousness of God.

**The Holy Spirit** We believe in the divine personhood of the Holy Spirit as an equal part of the Trinity. The Holy Spirit is God present, living within each follower to empower a life that reflects the lifestyle, values and character of Jesus.

**The Church** the Body of Christ. We believe the Church is God's vehicle on earth to bring about God's justice and mercy for all people. All believers: everyone in relationship with Christ is gifted, empowered and called to serve within God's mission to reach the world.

# Reaching Out To Our Community

**Blessing Box Open 24-7**  
Food Pantry

**With God's Grace**  
Food Distribution 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month 12-1:30pm

**Wednesday morning Bible Study**  
9:30am

**Prayer Warrior**  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tue at 9am of each month

**TOPS**  
10:00am every Thu (Weight loss help)

**Trunk or Treat**  
Around Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

**Brookville Community Picnic Cart Rides**  
last weekend of July

**Brookville Community VBS**  
Summer

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

**Easter Sun Rise Service**

**WHIM**  
Working Hands In Ministry (Women's Group)  
Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Wed 12:30pm Sept-Dec & Mar-May  
Sample of activity's for WHIM  
Strawberry Jam Sale, Cabbage Roll Sale & Summer  
Mission Projects

**Chancel Choir**  
Wed 7pm at Antioch UMC

**Bell Choir**  
Wed 6pm at Antioch UMC

**Pig Roast**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Sept

**Adopt A Family**  
at Christmas

**Soup Ministry**  
4<sup>th</sup> Wed 3:00 - 6:30  
Sep, Oct & Jan-Apr

**Low Impact Chair Exercise Class**  
Starting on Tues Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00am

## Definitions

**Prelude** -The prelude is a time for people to become quiet, to meditate and pray, and to prepare their hearts individually for the worship of God.

**Call to Worship** - declaring that the Lord is present and empowers our worship.

**The Apostles' Creed** - written by early followers of Jesus; the Apostles' Creed is crafted in the form of a confessional statement of Christian belief.

**Prayer of Confession** - the people confess the sin of which they are already aware and then come to the Proclamation of the Word in the assurance of God's pardoning grace.

**The Gloria Patri** - is a doxology sung after scripture reading to remind us that our chief, our supreme, our ultimate purpose in life is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever

**Doxology** - a short statement of praise, glory, and thanksgiving to God. It is often a short hymn designed to be sung by the worshipping congregation.

**Benediction** - "a good saying or word." Spoken by the pastor and addressed to the congregation, it is used to dismiss the congregation at the end of worship.

**Postlude** - The musical selection played or sung at the conclusion of a service of worship. The postlude generally follows a benediction given by the pastor or other worship leader.

## Articles of Faith of UMC

### ARTICLE I — GOD

We believe in the one true, holy and living God, Eternal Spirit, who is Creator, Sovereign and Preserver of all things visible and invisible.

### ARTICLE II — JESUS CHRIST

We believe in Jesus Christ, truly God and truly man, in whom the divine and human natures are perfectly and inseparably united.

### ARTICLE III — THE HOLY SPIRIT

We believe in the Holy Spirit who proceeds from and is one in being with the Father and the Son.

### ARTICLE IV — THE HOLY BIBLE

We believe the Holy Bible, Old and New Testaments, reveals the Word of God so far as it is necessary for our salvation.

### ARTICLE V — THE CHURCH

We believe the Christian Church is the community of all true believers under the Lordship of Christ.

### ARTICLE VI — THE SACRAMENTS

Symbols and pledges of the Christian's profession and of God's love toward us. (Baptism and Communion)



Sunday Worship 9:30am  
Fellowship 10:30 to 10:45am  
Sunday School 10:45 to 11:30am

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