



CARROLLTON FIRST UMC

THE YELLOW BRICK CHURCH + THE BRIDGE

Sunday, March 26, 2023 Fifth Sunday in Lent

Lead Pastor – Rev. Kimberly Arbaugh

Associate Pastor – Rev. J.P. Snyder

We hope you find meaningful worship with us today. If you have questions, please reach out to our church office and someone will be in touch.

ATTENDANCE: Please complete the online attendance form at <https://www.carrolltonfirstumc.org/live-streams> or send an email to office@carrolltonfirstumc.org and let us know you were watching. The attendance information is important for end of year reports! Please help us by filling it out.

Did you miss a Sunday or want to see a service again? Find a link under Live Streams on our website or search YouTube for Carrollton First UMC for past services.

Palm Sunday, Apr 2 - 9:00 & 10:30am

Holy Thursday, Apr 6 - 7:00pm at YBC

Good Friday, April 7 Cross Walk –

meet at 12:00pm @ YBC

will be held rain (snow) or shine!

Easter Services

Sunday, Apr 9 -6:30 Sunrise at the fairgrounds

9:00am Yellow Brick & 10:30am The Bridge

Tuesday, April 11 11:00am Yellow Brick Church

Eggstravaganza Preparations are underway!

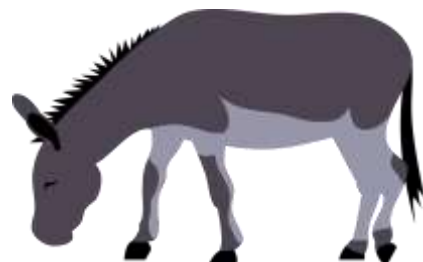
This annual event will be held at the fairgrounds on **Saturday, April 1st from 9-11am.**

We will once again need volunteers to help. Please check your calendars –and consider helping. Two time slots 8:30-10:30am and 10:30am-12:30pm. See the sign-up sheets or email the office to be added to the list.

The Amazing Race to the Cross †

We are embarking on our Amazing Race to the Cross. Grab a flyer to find out more!

Clue for April 2: Guess the Story –



Remember to email Pastor Kimberly

CHURCH CALENDAR

YBC = Yellow Brick Church, TB=The Bridge

Mar 26 Worship Services

9:00am @ Yellow Brick Church

10:30am @ The Bridge

Mar 26 Youth Group 11:30am @ The Bridge

Mar 27 Home Study at the Krills 6:30pm

Mar 28 Endowment 4:30pm @ YBC

Mar 28 The Lord's Prayer study 6:30pm

Mar 28 Tuesday Night Study 6-7pm @ YBC

Mar 28 Kids for Christ after school program

Mar 29 Lunch with Jesus noon-1pm @YBC

Mar 30 TOPS

Apr 2 Palm Sunday - Worship Services

9:00am @ Yellow Brick Church

10:30am @ The Bridge

OFFICE HOURS: Please call or email to make sure someone is here to assist you. *Our pastors are both off on Fridays. Please plan accordingly.*



Blended Worship: 9:00am @ the Yellow Brick Church

Accompanist: Ellyn Dunlap

Worship Leader: Kelcey Bajc

WELCOME/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (in unison)

**Light of Christ, Shine on our path,
Illuminate our darkness and Lead us to the heart of God**

PRELUDE

How Beautiful

arr Stan Pethel

*CALL TO WORSHIP by Thom Shuman

based on Matthew 25: 31-46

We come, for God gathers us here,
with that community called faith:
**where the hungry are served first,
where the thirsty drink life's water.**

We come, for God welcomes us here
into that home called grace:

**where the naked are clothed in robes of hope;
where the stranger is embraced as the long-lost prodigal.**

We come, for God reunites us here,
sisters and brothers in that family called love:

**where the imprisoned model justice,
where the sick are cradled in God's peace.**

*OPENING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

#151 Celebration Hymnal

HEARING THE WORD

Psalm 98:7-9

*GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Dismissal of children to Yellow Brick Kidz

TIME OF SHARING OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, PRAYERS AND PRAISES

- Please complete your Communicator Cards and drop in the Offering Plate

HYMN*

Here I Am to Worship

on screen

SCRIPTURE
MESSAGE

**Matthew 25:31-46
*Spirituality***

Rev. Kimberly Arbaugh

*CLOSING SONG

10,000 Reasons

on screen

*BENEDICTION



Casual, Contemporary Worship: 10:30am at The Bridge

Music – John Schaffer, Abe Schaffer, Shelly Yoder, Carl Leonard,
Dave Dickerhoof, Marcia Schaffer

Welcome/Announcements/Lighting of the Christ Candle

Praise & Worship

Children’s Message

dismissal of children to Bridge Kidz

Scripture

Psalm 98:7-9

Congregational Prayer/Offering

Please complete your Communicator Cards and drop in the Offering bucket

Scripture

Matthew 25:31-46

Message

Spirituality

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Closing Worship

Dismissal with Blessing

Spiritual Ministries

Bible Studies and Support Groups

- **Monday nights** – Home Study group at Bill & Francie Krills will start "*In the Footsteps of the Savior*" by Max Lucado started on **Monday, February 27** at 6:30pm.
- **Tuesday nights at 6:00pm** at the Yellow Brick Church **Family Friendly study group** with childcare available. Contact Karen Beck for information.
- **Lenten Study: The Lord’s Prayer-** This 6-week study started **Tuesday, February 28 at 6:30pm** at our Yellow Brick Church location with Pastor JP Snyder.
- **Wednesdays at noon - Lunch with Jesus** - at the Yellow Brick Church. Currently studying Ray Vander Laan’s **Death and Resurrection of the Messiah**. All are welcome.
- **Thursdays** - 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month from 6-7:30pm - **Stitched with Love - Crochet & Knitting Group** in the Gathering Room at YBC. Contact Jocelyn Snyder for more information.
- **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** 1st Tuesday of the month at 10am and the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the Yellow Brick Church.
- **COMMUNITY PRAYER** – The 2nd Wednesday of each month there is a time of community prayer from **6-7:30pm** at various churches throughout the county.

Children & Youth Ministries

KIDS FOR CHRIST SPRING SESSION – We finish up the spring session Tuesday, March 28. We have had an amazing group of kids and volunteers! Thank you everyone for your prayers and support of this outreach ministry!

JUSTIFIED YOUTH GROUP: Justified Youth Group meets immediately after The Bridge Service on Sundays from 11:30am-1:00pm. Open to youth in 6th - 12th grade. **Interested in providing or helping with a meal for the youth?** See Lisa Baker.

YOUTH OVERNIGHTER – Friday, April 21 starting at 8pm @ the YBC – worship, snacks, games, late night pizza, breakfast! RSVP by April 18. Boys bring snack to share; Girls bring a drink.

YELLOW BRICK KIDZ: Kids attend the first part of worship with their parents then go to their own Bible time on the first floor. Please sign them in and out at their classroom. Family seating available along with kids' worship bags.

BRIDGE KIDZ: Children begin worship on Sundays with their families then go to Bridge Kidz (for preschool thru 5th grade. Worship bags are available as well as family seating.

Congregational Care Team

We are working to put together a Congregational Care Team that would cover things such as: Meal Trains; Cards for Shut-Ins; Praying over Sunday Services; Praying over prayer list; Funeral Dinners, etc. The idea with a team is that you can participate in the responsibilities you are interested in and not feel overwhelmed to participate in them all. If you would be interested in taking part in some way with this team or even leading particular parts of the team please let Pastor Kimberly or the office know.

Graduate Recognition

Please turn in names and future plans for high school/college graduates (including any that graduated in the Summer or Fall 2022) to the church office. We will be celebrating our graduates in May.

We will be holding an Easter Service on Tuesday, April 11 at 11am.

The Service will take place in the sanctuary of the Yellow Brick Church location and is open to anyone who would like to join for an Easter Celebration that may not be able to make it on Easter Sunday.

Prayer and Praise requests- please email the church office with information to be shared. Please make sure you have permission from the family.

Sick Calls - If your loved one is in the hospital, nursing home or homebound and they would like a visit from our pastors, please call or email the office.

Marriage - Please call the office for information. Arrangements should be made at least six (6) months prior to the wedding. Before scheduling your reception venue, confirm that the pastor officiating and the church are available. (Weddings at Carrollton First UMC must be officiated by one of our current pastors).

Baptisms - Baptisms are scheduled on an individual basis. Please call the office to make arrangements.

Funerals and Funeral meals - Please have the funeral director contact the office before the date and time is decided and before the information is published in the newspaper. Meals can be provided following the service, please contact the church office to go over details.

Bulletin News Deadline - Wednesdays at noon in writing.

Interested in Becoming United Methodist? - Please call the church office about Membership Classes.

Carrollton First UMC on SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay connected sharing your experience at our church, during an outreach ministry or through a virtual event

Website: www.carrolltonfirstumc.org

Facebook: CarrolltonFirstUnited

YouTube: CarrolltonFirstUMC



Scan the QR code with your phone and it will take you directly to our Facebook page!

Online giving available through [tithely](https://www.carrolltonfirstumc.org/giving)

<https://www.carrolltonfirstumc.org/giving>

Mailing Address:

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Carrollton, OH 44615

Submit news, announcements & prayer requests to office@carrolltonfirstumc.org or call (330) 627-7671

Our church bulletin is also available on our website and on the YouVersion Bible App; find it under Events

Summer Camp 2023 registration is open!

<https://www.eocumc.com/camps/2023summercamp.html>

Carrollton First UMC will pay \$200 toward the cost of one of these camps for youth that attend worship, Yellow Brick Kidz or Bridge Kidz, etc. Just reach out to the office.

PRAYER REQUESTS AND UPDATES

We will not be listing prayer requests in the online version of the bulletin. Requests will be shared in the printed bulletin and on our email distribution list. Please send information to office@carrolltonfirstumc.org