

**PRELUDE (9:55 AM)**

**GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, and PRAYER**

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP** *Simple Aveu* F. Thome

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive) Elder Ed Walker

The grace of Jesus Christ be with all the saints:

We have gathered in that grace to worship God

**Rejoice in God and give thanks to God's holy name.**

**Let all heaven and earth behold God's glory.**

God is Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.

All creation is subject to God's rule and reign.

**We bring our prayers and praise to God most high.**

**We lift our voices in hymns of celebration.**

Come, all who hunger, all who thirst;

Be nourished and renewed in this time of worship.

**We bring joys and sorrows, fullness and needs.**

**We come with successes and failures; we come seeking.**

**ALL: LET US WORSHIP GOD!**

**\*HYMN #338** *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

Hear our individual confessions, O God, as we recall the ways we ignore you every day. Listen to our regrets over the abuse we heap on others by our words, actions, or neglect. We join together in asking forgiveness for the ways the church inflicts injury on members of the household of faith while excluding many who differ from us. Deliver us, O God, from empty forms to receive the fullness of your grace and the power to live as you intend. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

...Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*GLORIA PATRI #581** *Gloria Patri*

**CHILDREN'S CHAT**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** and singing of

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (tune: MALOTTE)

*Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Office Hours: M, T, W, TH 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM

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**Church Staff**

Rev. Dr. Debra May Cerra	Gap Pastor
Sara Ekkens	Office Administrator
Nancy Indovina	Receptionist
Jan Fritzsche	Treasurer
Gwen Beyer	Music Director
Laurie Archibald	Organist
Chris Kurka	A/V Coordinator
Becky Koranda	Custodial
Andrew Koranda	Custodial

**Ruling Elders on Session**

Elder Melissa Brown, Mission Committee  
Elder Ray Burner, Property Committee  
Elder Katie Kolthoff, Finance Committee  
Elder John Lahl, Property Committee  
Elder Lisa Profio, Discipleship Committee  
Elder Bob Schomer, Fellowship Committee, Personnel Committee  
Elder Becca Sivik, Discipleship Committee  
Elder Ed Walker, Personnel Committee  
Elder Kathy Zietlow, Worship Committee  
  
Elder Audrey Brandmeier, Clerk of Session  
Norma Fink and Carolyn Jeremiah, Caring Team

**MISSION GARDEN UPDATE**

We are faced with a big dilemma this year, to have or NOT have a Mission Garden. Due to lack of help, we are down to 3 gardeners which makes it impossible to maintain a garden of this size. We have a few options:

1. Do nothing. Plant a cover crop and see what happens next year.
2. Offer a garden bed, or two, to members of the congregation to garden for themselves.
3. A combo of 1 and 2, let some garden and cover crop the rest. In the past we have grown and donated hundreds of lbs. of fresh produce for the Parma Heights Food Bank. They were so happy to receive these and will lose this. We are asking for your help and suggestions. Please see Pam Wilkins or Tony Indovina if you are able to volunteer, or would like to take a bed to garden for yourself. Tony Indovina (216) 701-0880 Pam Wilkins (440) 891-1580

**CALENDAR OF THE WEEK**

**Sunday, May 29**

10:00 AM –Worship Service – Sanctuary

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

**Monday, May 30**

**OFFICE CLOSED**

**9:30 AM Memorial Day Worship Service – Front Lawn**

7:00 PM – Life Group – Parlor

7:00 PM – Sunday School – Online

**Tuesday, May 31**

7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – Gym

**Thursday, June 2**

4:00 PM – Grief Group – Online

7:00 PM – Cub Scout Pack Meeting -- Gym

**Saturday, June 4**

9:00 AM – Men's Square – Pappou's Restaurant

11:00 AM – Celebration of Life Service for

Marylyn and Richard Park -- Sanctuary

**Sunday, June 5 (Pentecost)**

10:00 AM – Communion Worship Service – Sanctuary

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

**The Memorial Carillon is played this week in memory of**

*Jack E. McGuff*

**GRIEF GROUP**

Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, Rev. Dr. Debbie Cerra offers a Zoom Grief Group from 4:00 – 5:00 PM. She can be reached at (856) 912-1202 for more information. This group is open to anyone who has experienced a significant loss.

Our sister in Christ, Trudy Castor is going to be turning 100 on June 4, 2022. Praise the Lord! We are asking that you make this an amazing birthday for her by sending her cards for this special birthday. Trudy's address is:

Park Creek Center  
10064 North Church Dr  
Parma Heights, Ohio 44130

Thank you!

## CALL FOR THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*  
(Cello Solo, Ludiah Bagakas)

**\*DOXOLOGY #606 and PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN #729** *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 17:20-26  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** “We are One in the Lord” Rev. Dr. Debra May Cerra

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (unison)

*Barbara Hedges-Goetti, used with permission*

We believe that unity is both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ.

**Through the work of God’s Spirit, unity is a binding force.**

At the same time, unity must also be earnestly pursued and sought.

**We must be continually built up to attain this unity.**

Our unity must become visible to the world.

**Separation and hatred between people and groups is sin,  
already conquered by Christ.**

Anything threatening our unity has no place in the church.

**We commit ourselves to resisting anything that threatens  
our unity.**

The unity of the people of God is active and made manifest.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*HYMN #306** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

## \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**Go to the World! GTG #295**

Go to the World! Go into all the earth.

Go preach the cross when Christ renews life’s worth,

Baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

**\*THE PEACE** The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

(Share greetings of Christ’s peace with one another.)

**\*POSTLUDE** *America, The Beautiful* S. Ward arr. S. Aaronson

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

## Helping Ukrainian Refugees

The Mission Committee voted to raise funds for Samaritan’s Purse as it sets out to help the millions of Ukrainian refugees who have and will continue to flee across the border to safety in Poland and Moldova. Some have walked miles with only the clothes on their backs. We are asking for monetary donations through the month of May (please note extension). Our plan is to raise the money for Samaritan’s Purse so they can continue to provide the needed medical, food, clothing and hygiene supplies as well as assist with housing for these refugees. An anonymous donor has offered to match the amount of money we raise up to \$50,000. Please help! Make your check out to Parma-South Presbyterian Church and note on it that it is for Samaritan’s Purse/Ukraine relief. Thank you and God bless.

## Parma-South Presbyterian Church COVID GUIDELINE as of 3-16-2022

The wearing of masks is at the discretion of the individual. Social Distance will continue when seated in the sanctuary.

Worship is held in the sanctuary at 10 am on Sundays. Remember, you can join worship livestream at 10 am or recorded after the worship service ends. Service and bulletin are on the church website: [www.Parma-South.org](http://www.Parma-South.org). We welcome all to worship with us! For everyone’s safety, please worship from home if you are ill.

## *Parma-South Mission Statement:*

***Parma-South Presbyterian Church is a community formed by  
God that celebrates our identity in Christ and as a blessed  
people we are called to bless others.***

Our lay reader today is Elder Ed Walker who is an active member of the Session. He co-chairs the personnel committee.

## Guest Musician Ludiah Bagakas

Ludiah Bagakas is currently a fourth year student at Cleveland State University studying mathematics and statistics. She has been playing the cello since grade school.

**The Care Team** would like to extend a huge thank you to those who submitted cards, they are grateful and have an ample supply, but will let you know if they will need more in the future.

# Parma-South Presbyterian Church

*Changing lives through Christ*



**May 29, 2022**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**2022 Theme Verse**

**“This is the day that the Lord has made; let us  
rejoice and be glad in it”**

**Psalm 118:24**

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