

GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

Lay Reader: Laura Dory

We come to worship God, who has made us and knows us;

We come to celebrate God's presence among us!

We come to follow Jesus, who leads us to new life;

We come with joy, knowing in Christ we are home!

We come to listen for the Holy Spirit, who calls us forth;

As we worship may we know the Spirit is alive among us.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of love and mercy, be with us and in us now. We confess that we often fail in our service to you and to others. We cause divisions between various people; we judge before we listen; we condemn before we make an attempt to understand. We confess that fear and anger too often surround us and our actions become based on those fears and that anger. Forgive us, Holy One. Forgive us and heal us. Give us hearts overflowing with grace and compassion. Remind us of our call to be strong voices that reflect your hope and your courage for this world, your creation We pray in Jesus' name. 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**

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

And also with you.

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

CHILDREN'S CHAT

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY:

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Email: officeadmin@parma-south.org

Church Staff

Rev. Blake Severson	Transitional 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 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

CHURCH PICNIC – September 18th

All are invited to join us for a picnic on our front lawn after Outdoor Worship Service on September 18th. That Sunday is the last outdoor service scheduled for the year. Box lunches, drinks, and ice cream will be provided. There will be pizza, games, and lots of fun for the kids! For planning purposes and to ensure sufficient food is available, please contact the church office (440-885-2652) no later than Monday September 12th regarding your attendance. Join us for a great time of Fellowship!!!!

Peace and Global Witness Offering – October 2nd

The Peace & Global Witness Offering is one of four annual special offerings. The church-wide Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church play an important role in defining what it means to be a connectional church in the 21st century, bringing together the diversity of the PCUSA to focus and take faith-based action on shared concerns. The Offerings offer opportunities for partnership, learning, and witness and profoundly affect the life of the church as a collective witness to Jesus Christ's love for the whole church.

****More announcements on the back****

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday, September 11

10:00 AM – Worship Service – Sanctuary

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

Monday, September 12

7:00 PM – Life Group -- Parlor

Tuesday, September 13

6:00 PM – Properties Meeting – Online

6:30 PM – Fellowship Committee -- Online

7:00 PM – Boy Scout Meeting – Gym

Thursday, September 15

4:00 PM – Grief Group -- Online

Saturday, September 17

11:00 AM – Coffee With the Word – Dining Room

Sunday, September 18

10:00 AM – Worship Service – Outdoors

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

The Memorial Carillon is played this week in memory of Howard Ziel

LIFE GROUP – DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITY!

Join live Zoom feed Sundays starting at 2:45 PM, and on Mondays starting at 7:00 PM in the Parlor.

Contact John Lahl (440) 725-3239 or Ed Walker (440) 552-2998 for more information.

**Please note that the Monday Life Group will not start up again until Monday, September 12th, in the Parlor.

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE, PLEASE READ

Please check the ever growing Lost and Found basket in the office, especially if you've misplaced some prescription glasses, we've received several lately.

UPCOMING CONGREGATION SURVEY

Don't have email or unable to complete the church mission survey online? The Mission Study Team is requesting you let us know if you need a paper copy of the survey by calling the church office or placing a note in the offering plate. Please be sure that if you choose to complete a paper copy and return to the church to be entered via the computer, the survey does not require a name or signature and is entirely anonymous. We value everyone's opinion and want your voice to be heard too!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

First Reading Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Second Reading Luke 4:14-30

SERMON "Words That Define Us" Rev. Arvid Whitmore

***HYMN #63** The Lord Is God

*Affirmation of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of people long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

HYMN #716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the God of Hope Go with Us GTG#765

May the God of hope go with us every day;
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
Singing, share our joy with all;
Working for a world that's new,
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

*POSTLUDE

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP RETREAT

There is an opportunity for a Christian Women's Fellowship Retreat in September. This year you can choose the entire weekend September 23rd (camp opens after 5 pm)-25th or a Saturday only (September 24th after 9:00 am) option. Five meals and two overnights or two meals with camp fees for both.

**Camp Ashbury 10776 Asbury Road Hiram, Ohio
Shaw Retreat Center**

The theme is "**I Am Enough**" with the Scripture from Psalm 23 –
The Lord is my Shepherd and I Lack Nothing.

Cost is \$120.00 for the entire weekend or \$35 for the Saturday option. Registration must be made by Monday, September 12 as the camp must have a count for meals for either option. For more information or a registration form call Laura Dory 216-581-9364 or 216-926-6825 or see her at church.

REMINDER

The **Third Sunday** of every month will be an outdoor service, so remember to bring a lawn chair, your Bible, and a bag lunch and join in singing and worshipping outside! The next outdoor service will be held Sunday, **September 18, 2022**

GRIEF GROUP

Every 1st and 3rd 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.

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

The wearing of masks is at the discretion of the individual, please feel free to wear one. 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. We welcome all to worship with us! For everyone's safety, please worship from home if you are ill.

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Changing lives through Christ



September 11, 2022

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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