

GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Solfeggietto* K. P. E. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Psalm 100

Lay Reader: Mike Dory

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God.

We are God's people, and sheep of his pasture.

Give thanks to him, bless his name, for the Lord is good;

His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

HYMN #69 *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, we know that we are your body, your hands and feet in the world, and that you desire all people to be loved and nourished. We pray that you would strengthen our faith and compassion to care about your precious children everywhere. Show us our limited vision, and grant us the courage to expose injustice. Encourage each of us as we seek to follow and be transformed by Jesus. Guide us toward the peace you desire for all people. We ask in your holy 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: *All Things Bright and Beautiful* J. Rutter
(*Chancel Women*)

*DOXOLOGY #606 and PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

First Reading Matthew 5:17ff

Second Reading Matthew 12:9-14

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Email: officeadmin@parma-south.org

Hymn #69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

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.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday, September 18

10:00 AM – Worship Service – Outdoors

11:00 AM – Church Picnic -- Outdoors

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

Monday, September 19

7:00 PM – Life Group -- Parlor

Tuesday, September 20

10:00 AM – Esther Circle -- Parlor

7:00 PM – Boy Scout Meeting – Gym

Wednesday, September 21

8:00 PM – Parma Hts Historical Society -- Parlor

Thursday, September 22

7:00 PM – Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary

7:00 PM – Session – Online/Parlor

Saturday, September 24

10:00 AM – Ken Hale Funeral -- Sanctuary

Sunday, September 25

10:00 AM – Worship Service – Sanctuary

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

Hymn #314 Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness

Longing for light, we wait in darkness
Longing for truth, we turn to You
Make us Your own, Your holy people
Light for the world to see

Refrain:

Christ, be our light
Shine in our hearts
Shine through the darkness
Christ, be our light
Shine in Your church gathered today

Longing for shelter, many are homeless
Longing for warmth, many are cold
Make us Your building, sheltering others
Walls made of living stone (**sing refrain**)

Many the gifts, many the people
Many the hearts that yearn to belong
Let us be servants to one another
Making Your kingdom come (**sing refrain**)

SERMON "Reformed and Always Reforming" Rev. Carol Duffy

***HYMN #314** *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness vs. 1 & 3*

***Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in one God,
who centers the universe, creating order out of chaos.
We believe in Christ,
who calls us, and sends us out as his body in the world.
We believe in God's Spirit,
who guides and empowers us to live holy lives.
We believe in the church,
a worshipping, learning, serving, caring community.
We believe in the journey, through times of difficulty and times of joy,
always trusting that nothing can separate us from the love of God in
Christ Jesus.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN #451 *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

***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** *All Hail King Jesus* D. Moody

Hymn 451 Open My Eyes, That I May See

Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear.
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears; illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere.
Open my heart, and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart; illumine me,
Spirit divine!

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!

Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Changing lives through Christ



September 18, 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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