

PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (unison) John 3:16-17

Lay Reader: Gina Hansen

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

HYMN #26 *Earth and All Stars!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

The prodigal said, “I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your child.’ ” Let us, like the prodigal, come to our divine Parent, and seek forgiveness for our sin. Let us pray:

Most merciful God, we bow before you and confess that like foolish children we have rebelled against you and our own true home. We have wandered far away, seeking gratification for our desires. We have wasted your good gifts in self-indulgent living. We have sought sustenance amidst alien places. Forgive us: cleanse us, that by your forgiving love we are able to find the way back to our true home. 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 Hail King Jesus* D. Moody

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

First Reading **Romans 8: 31-38**

Second Reading **Luke 15: 11-32**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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.

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!

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday, September 25

10:00 AM – Worship Service – Sanctuary

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

Monday, September 26

7:00 PM – Life Group -- Parlor

Tuesday, September 27

7:00 PM – Boy Scout Meeting – Gym

Thursday, September 29

7:00 PM – Bell Rehearsal – Bell Room

Saturday, October 1

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

10:00 AM – Ken Hale Funeral -- Sanctuary

Sunday, October 2

10:00 AM – Communion Worship Service – Sanctuary

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

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.

The Memorial Carillon is played this week in memory of Arthur Thiele

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.

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.

TRUNK OR TREAT!! October 30th

Please join us for Trunk or Treat on Sunday October 30th from 2:00 – 4:00 pm in the church parking lot. A form is available in this week’s bulletin and in the church office to offer to decorate your car and pass out candy, donate candy, or just to come and trick – or – treat (along with the number of trick or treaters) If interested, please fill out and return in the offering plate or church office. Thank you!

***HYMN #418** *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

***Affirmation of Faith (unison) Revelation 21:1-4**

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2 And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, booming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; They will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

HYMN#188 *Jesus Loves Me*

***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**

Love INC has made a request for **hand soap and hand sanitizer**. Their supply is very low. If you have some that you can donate, please drop them off in the church office. The annual Love INC Coat Drive started Sunday and will continue through **October 23rd**. If you have a coat that you no longer wear, please bring to the church office. These coats will be dry cleaned, put on hangers and covered with plastic. The coats will be distributed to the needy. **There is a great need for children's coats and adult sizes 1x to 4x.**

**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.

Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Changing lives through Christ



September 25, 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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Help Love INC!