



EASTER

SUNDAY

Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Parma Heights, Ohio

Rev. Christin Moreland, **Pastor**

Darlene Ells, **Lay Reader**

Chris Venesile, **Music Director**

Laurie Archibald, **Organist/Pianist**

Chris Kurka, **AV Coordinator**

April 20, 2025

10:00 AM

Reminder: Please sign the attendance pad located in the pew. Thank you.

**Indicates: Please stand in body or spirit, as you may.*

THE CHURCH LIFE AND MINISTRY

PRELUDE **“Voluntary on Crown Him”** **arr. A.L. Page**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice and be glad:

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Rejoice and be glad:

Heaven and earth will never be the same!

Rejoice and be glad:

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

***OPENING HYMN** **Nº. 232 “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”**

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious God, we have heard the good news:

how on the third day, Christ rose again.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You rolled away the stone from the tomb.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You sent messengers to proclaim the gospel.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You were faithful to your promise; you have done wonderful things!

Still we look for the living among the dead.

[moment for silent confession]

Forgive us, Lord, we pray. Teach us to trust your promise and to believe the good news of salvation:

Christ is alive; Jesus is risen from the dead. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Christ conquered death to restore us to life. Believe this good news. Live this resurrection. Hope in God's promise because we are forgiven in Jesus Christ. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI N° 581**

ANTHEM "Easter Song" arr. J. Martin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURES

Luke 24: 1—12 (The Message®)

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

HYMN N° 188 "Jesus Loves Me" (verse 1)

SERMON "Surprise!!"

HYMN OF MEDITATION N° 250 "In the Bulb There is a Flower"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who 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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Homage to the King" arr. D. Paxton

***DOXOLOGY N° 606**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***CLOSING HYMN** N° 238 "Thine is the Glory"

***CHARGE & BLESSING**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“Sometimes A Light Surprises” N^o. 800
Sometimes a light surprises the child of God who sings;
It is the Lord who rises with healing in his wings;
When comforts are declining, he grants the soul again
A season of clear shining to cheer it after rain.

***POSTLUDE**

“Hallelujah, Christ Arose”

arr. R. Lowry



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Easter Sunday, April 20

10:00 AM – Worship Service – Sanctuary

NO COFFEE HOUR ON EASTER SUNDAY

11:00 AM — Easter Luncheon—Dining Room

Monday, April 21

Church Office Closed

7:00 PM — Life Group Meeting — Parlor

7:00 PM Den Meeting

Tuesday, April 22

5:45 PM —8:15 PM — Gideon Camp Meeting — Parlor

7:00 PM Scout Troop 263 — Social Hall

Wednesday, April 23

5:30 PM — Session Meeting — Parlor

7:00 PM Den Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

PRAYER REQUESTS

Submit requests using the back of the attendance sheet or Prayer Request cards available in the pew holders. Place completed cards in the offering plate.

Healing and comfort

Cathy DeMoss, surgery
Arline Ferencz, in hospice
Janet Fritz, medical concern
John Marton, in hospital
Megan Severson - cancer treatment
John Summers & family, cancer diagnosis

Life Group – This is an opportunity to discuss today's lesson and look deeper into today's scripture with the *book of Ephesians*. Join the live Zoom feed Sundays starting at 2:45 PM. Contact John Lahl (440) 725-3239 or Ed Walker (440) 552-2998.

Care Team – The Care Team has a supply of stamped and addressed cards in the Narthex for our friends and members. Please take a few and sign, add a short message if you'd like, then mail. Let's stay connected!

Grief Group – Rev. Dr. Debbie Cerra hosts an online group on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 6:30 PM via Zoom. Contact Debbie at (856) 912-1202. She is also leading in person grief groups on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at Strongsville United Methodist Church from 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM.

OFFERING ENVELOPES— Please contact Stacy Brewer if you'd like her to mail out your 2025 Offering Envelopes. You can reach her at treasurer@parma-south.org, 440-885-2652 (office) or 216-970-5286 (cell).

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS & COMMUNICATIONS

OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Thursday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Weekly Announcements: Submit by 10:00 AM on Wednesdays.

Meetings: This includes scheduling requests or cancellations notices.

Events: All upcoming events should be communicated to the church office.

***All office communications should be sent to the Office Administrator at officeadmin@parma-south.org.**

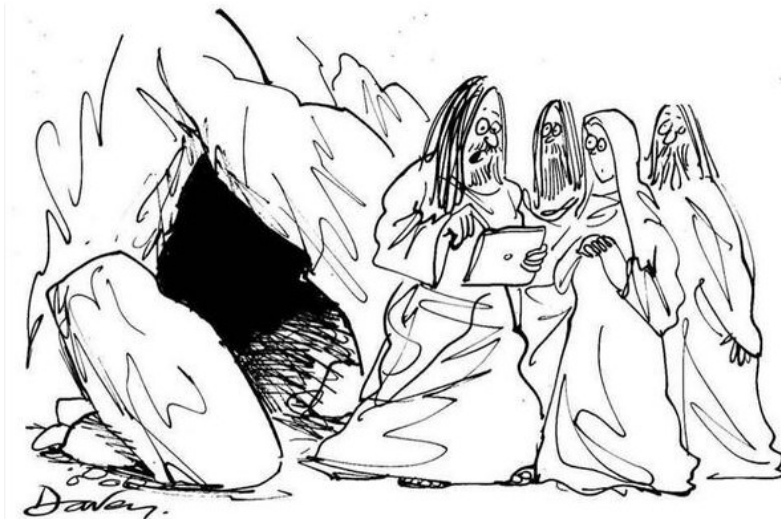


April Donation Request: **Body Wash and Men's 3-in-1 wash**

The clothing room at Love INC is constantly filling requests. Volunteers pack bags with clothing and a variety of toiletries for Cuyahoga County residents. This month, the clothing room is asking for donations of **men and women's body wash, and men's 3-in-1 wash.**

We are placing supplies next to chancel at the front of the sanctuary.

If you are able to donate these items please call (216) 459-0405 or email info@loveincuy.org to set up an appointment to drop off your supplies. Love INC is open Monday through Thursday from 9:00AM to 3:00PM. **We appreciate your generosity in supporting our community!**



“He’s not in there! Oh, wait - he’s changed his status to ‘risen’ ”

my SERMON NOTES

WHO'S SPEAKING:
DATE:

I LEARNED:

WHAT HAPPENED:

WHERE IN THE BIBLE?
Book: _____
Chapter: _____
Verse: _____

WHO IS IN THE PASSAGE?

My favorite song:

I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND?

draw something

WORDS I DON'T KNOW:

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What is a General Assembly?



It is the one place where the whole church gathers. Commissioners and youth from every presbytery are in attendance. Representative students from the seminaries, ecumenical partners from all over the world, and mission co-workers participate as advisory delegates. Thousands more gather as observers or supporters.

They are there to worship, and also to do business. Ideas which may have begun at local churches' session meetings pass through presbyteries to become Assembly business as overtures. There are Moderators to elect and mission initiatives to form. The larger church can adopt statements which speak to the church, and sometimes to those outside the church, about issues of theology, justice, and peacemaking. Everyone's voice is valued, every part of the church is brought into the light of the Spirit, and together the people seek to discern the will of Christ.

Although many PC(USA) ministries are eventually supported through other funding streams, all ministries undertaken in the name of the denomination grow out of decisions made by the General Assembly. When you read stories of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance out in the field or pick up a Glory to God hymnal, you are experiencing the work of an Assembly. When pastors are trained and ruling elders study the Book of Order, they are resourced by the work of an Assembly. When a mission co-worker enters a new field or a Young Adult Volunteer holds the hand of a hungry child, they are continuing the work of an Assembly.

This is the General Assembly. This is your per capita at work.



Tom Hay

Tom Hay has recently retired after serving for ten years as Director of Assembly Operations.

Per Capita

Per capita is an annual per member apportionment assessed by the General Assembly (*Book of Order*, G-3.0106), and by many synods and presbyteries, to enable Presbyterians mutually and equitably to share the ecclesiastical and administrative costs of sustaining our witness to Christ through the Presbyterian Church (USA). In 2020, the General Assembly portion of per capita is \$8.95.

The 2025 PERCAPITA for Parma-South within the Presbytery of the Western Reserve is \$40.00 per active member.

