

To one
he gave
FIVE
talents,



to
another
TWO,

to **another**
ONE,
to each
according to
his ability.
Matthew 25:15

Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Parma Heights, Ohio

Rev. Bill Hudson, Transitional Pastor
Rev. Dr. Debbie Cerra, Parish Associate
Gwen Beyer, Music Director
Laurie Archibald, Organist/Pianist
Chris Kurka, A/V Coordinator

November 19, 2023

10:00 AM

Gathering

Greeting

2 Corinthians 13:13

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the friendship of the Holy Spirit
be with all of you. **And also with you.**

Prelude

Immortal, Invisible arr. V. Labenske

*Call to Worship

Psalm 24:1

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it.

*Hymn # 716 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

Prayer of Confession

Living Lord,

in you we live and move and have our being.

You call us to give all that we are

and all that we have in the service of Christ.

But we hold tightly to our treasure,

afraid we will not have enough for ourselves,

and hold back or burry our talents,

afraid these gifts will not be enough.

God, unclean our fists, release our fears

and help us to give fully and freely so that,

in all things we might serve and glorify you.

Amen.

*Declaration of Pardon

Psalm 103:8

The LORD is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

* Gloria Patri # 581 *Glory Be to the Father*

***The Passing Peace**

שלום Shalom Peace be with you.

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Children's Chat *Jesus Loves Me This I Know...*

Sacred Word *τάλαντον* - tal·an·ton - talent

100 pounds of silver (Matthew 25:15)

Anthem *Why Should I Feel Discouraged?*

Women's Choir

The Word

Prayer for Illumination # 458

Psalm 119:105

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Epistle **1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

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The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Alleluia # 384 vs. 1 (3 times)

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're going to see the King!

Gospel **Matthew 25:1-13**

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The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon *To Risk for the Kingdom*

Prayers of the People

... through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory *I Know When I Have Believed* arr. V. Labenske

***Doxology # 606** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Give to the Lord the glory due his name;

bring an offering and come before him.

**We will sacrifice a thank offering to God
and call on the name of the Lord.**

We will fulfill our vows to the Lord,
in the presence of all God's people.

Let each of us use

whatever talent we have received,

faithfully sharing God's grace in many forms.

Freely we have received; freely we will give;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***The Lord's Prayer** (debt/debtors)

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Sending

***Hymn # 526** *Let Us Talents & Tongues Employ*

***Charge & Blessing**

Colossians 3:17

Congregational Response # 626

Give thanks with a grateful heart;

give thanks to the Holy One;

Give thanks because we're given

Jesus Christ, the Son.

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Give thanks, give thanks.

***Postlude**

Postlude in D

H. Rinck

*All may stand.

Announcements and Events

Sunday, November 19, 2023



**PARMA-SOUTH
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Church Office Hours: M, T, W, TH 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday, November 19

9:00 AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM – Worship Service – Sanctuary

11:00 AM – Coffee Hour – Dining Room

2:45 PM - Life Group – Online

Monday, November 20

7:00 PM – Life Group (The Book of Genesis) – Parlor

Tuesday, November 22

7:00 PM – Scout Troop 263 – Social Hall

Thursday, November 24

*Church Office – Closed

12:00 PM – Parma-South Thanksgiving Potluck – Social Hall

5:30 PM – Pastor Nominating Committee Meeting – Parlor

Friday, November 25

*Church Office Closed

Sunday, November 26

9:00 AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM – Worship Service – Sanctuary

*No Coffee Hour

1:00 PM – Church Hike - North Olmsted at Rocky River Nature Center

2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests can be submitted by entering on the back of the attendance sheet or completing a Prayer Request card. Cards are in a holder at each pew. Please place it on the offering plate.

LIFE GROUP – an opportunity to discuss today's lesson and look deeper into today's scripture. Join the live Zoom feed Sundays starting at 2:45 PM. Contact John Lahl (440) 725-3239 or Ed Walker (440) 552-2998 for more information.

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.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS – Please share your announcements to post in the weekly bulletin, by 10:00 AM on Wednesdays. Send to: officeadmin@parma-south.org. Many thanks and blessings.

MEETINGS - Please notify Pastor Bill Hudson, officeadmin@parma-south.org and Mary Sue Murphy at msmgrandma@gmail.com when a meeting or event is scheduled or cancelled. Thank you.

Below is Pastor Bill Hudson's contact information for your use.
Cell Number: 234-400-9453 E-mail Address: pastor@parma-south.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Picture is Found! It was behind a chair in the Parlor. Thank you, Renea Schomer, for the idea of looking in the Parlor.

The Church Bulletin will now be available in the Narthex and in the Literature Distribution Unit by the Tower Entry Door, rather than the Modesty Rail by the front pew.

Pledges - Thanks to all of you who have submitted your 2024 Pledge! If you haven't submitted it, please do so as soon as you can so we can move forward with work on the 2024 Budget. You can put your form in the Collection plate on Sunday, drop it off at the office or mail it to the Church. Thank you!

Please Wear Your Name Tag – Pastor Bill would like to connect names with faces. Please remember to wear your name tag every Sunday.

Personal FM receivers – These are available, during our Worship service for the hearing impaired. Please see an Elder for assistance.

Love Inc. Coat Drive – 32 new children's winter coats were purchased and delivered by four members of our congregation. Thank you!

November Coffee Hours - Coffee Hour today, will feature pies! Please feel free to come taste every one of 'em. **There will be no coffee hour on Nov. 26th.**

Esther Circle - Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of December (Dec. 12), and January (Jan. 9) at 10:00 am in the Parlor. All women of Parma-South are invited to attend the programs of Presbyterian Women.

The Care and Share Store – Open from Nov. 5 – Dec. 10. The order form can be picked up in the church office, found on our website - MISSION page, and in the Sunday bulletins.

LET'S SUPPORT OUR SCOUTS - Parma-South Troop #263 is having their annual fund-raising event. They will be selling Peterson's Gourmet Nuts and Snacks. Every item will be a treat for you, or an ideal gift for a friend or family member. Please see Jack Krisch, Dick Salisbury or visit the church office for an order form. **Orders need to be returned to Jack, Dick**

or the church office no later than Sunday, December 3rd. Pay cash or make check payable to Troop #263. Please pick up your order in the church Dining Room following the service on December 17th. If you are unable to pick up your order, it will be delivered to your home. Any questions, please call Jack, Dick, or Sanae Rogers (Troop Committee Chair) at 440-785-7613. Your support is appreciated. Thank you.

November Church Hike – North Olmsted at Rocky River Nature Center, November 26 at 1:00 PM. Our meet up spot will be outside the Nature Center. We can walk off our turkey dinners! Please let Katie Kolthoff know if you have any questions.

Ruling Elders on Session and Committees

Elder Audrey Brandmeier	Clerk of Session	Fellowship Chair
Elder Katie Kolthoff	Finance Chair	Endowment Co-Chair
Elder Yung-Tse Hung	Personnel Co-Chair	Worship Co-Chair
Elder Ed Walker	Nominating Co-Chair	Personnel Co-Chair
Elder Lisa Profio	Discipleship Co-Chair	
Elder Becca Sivik	Discipleship Co-Chair	
Elder Kathy Zietlow	Worship Co-Chair	
Elder Chuck Murphy	Properties Chair	
Norma Fink	Care Team Chair	
Don Sinko	Endowment Chair	

**Nov. 23
Noon
Parma-South
Thanksgiving Potluck**
All are welcome, please join us!
Please sign up in the Dining Room to bring a side dish.
RSVP to
Katie at (216) 386-7741

BUHRER KIDS AT CHRISTMAS - You may sign up to buy a \$25 gift for either a boy or a girl, Pre-K or Kindergarten. If you would like to participate, please call the church office or John Lahl (440-725-3239) by Dec. 3rd. Your gifts should be brought to Parma-South on Sunday, December 8th.

Wild Winter Lights



at Cleveland Metroparks Zoo

Thursday, December 28th at 5:30 PM- 10:30 PM.

\$15 per ticket

Ages 2 years and under (Free)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

_____ Tickets x \$15= _____

If you would like to attend **Winter Wild Lights**, please return the form and money to the church office by Sunday, December 10th. Checks can be made payable to: Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Any questions, please contact Katie at (216) 386-7741 or katekolthoff@gmail.com

Love Inc. Coat Drive

We are so pleased to tell you that a total of **32 NEW children's winter coats were purchased and delivered**, by four members of our congregation. Thank you! May the Lord bless you!

Operation Christmas Child Project - Complete

Mike and I delivered **over 60 shoeboxes** this week to the collection location for churches. This was such an amazing effort from the members and friends at Parma-South! The volunteers took time to pray over the boxes with us, knowing God will prepare the right child to receive each unique gift.

Thank you from Samaritan's Purse: "We are so grateful for your partnership as you entrust us with your prayerfully packed shoebox gifts to deliver to children around the world in Jesus' name. We coordinate the processing and transportation of each box to ministry partners in over 100 countries."



Thank you and God bless you! - Laura Dory