



Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Parma Heights, Ohio
Rev. Bill Hudson, Transitional Pastor
John Lahl, Liturgist
Gwen Beyer, Music Director
Laurie Archibald, Organist/Pianist
Chris Kurka, A/V Coordinator
Chancel Choir

5th Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024

10 AM

Gathering

Greeting

Ruth 2:4

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Prelude *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* arr. T. Fettke

*Call to Worship

John 12:26

Whoever serves me must follow me, says the Lord,
and where I am, there will my servant be also.

***Hymn # 264** *At the Name of Jesus*

Prayer of Confession

Psalm 51:1-4, 6, 9-11

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.

**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.**

You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

**Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

**Do not cast me from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

***Declaration of Pardon**

Jeremiah 31:34

I will forgive their iniquity, says the LORD;
and remember their sin no more.

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

***The Passing of Peace**

John 20:19

שָׁלוֹם Peace be with you. **Shalom, Peace be with you.**

Time for Young Disciples *Jesus Loves Me This I Know*

Anthem *Lord of the Dance* arr. A. Pote

Sacred Word Μελχισεδέκ / מֶלְכִי־צֶדֶק Melchizedek
(Genesis 14:18, Psalm 110:4 & Hebrews 5:10)

The Word

Prayer for Illumination Psalm 119:105 # **458**, Refrain

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

Prophets **Jeremiah 31:31-34** page 735 OT

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

Epistle **Hebrews 5:5-10** page 220 NT

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Gospel Acclamation # 227 Luke 23:42

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

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Gospel **John 12:20-33** page 106 NT

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

Sermon *A New Heart*

Prayers of the People

Offering *We Are an Offering* arr. M. Hayes

***Doxology # 606** *Praise God from whom all Blessings*

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We lift our voices. We lift our hands.

We lift our lives up to You.

We are an offering

Lord use our voices. Lord use our hands.

Lord use our lives they are Yours

We are an offering

All that we have. All that we are.

All that we hope to be. We give to You

We give to You.

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) page 35

Sending

***Hymn # 53** *O God, Who Gives Us Life*

(note: sung to the tune Ellacomb # 197)

***Charge & Blessing**

Congregational Response # 542

"Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.

Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river

I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."

Postlude *Power in the Blood* arr. V. Labenske

* All May Stand

Announcements and Events

Sunday, March 17, 2024



PARMA-SOUTH
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Church Office Hours: M – F 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday, March 17

9:00 AM – Adult Sunday School – Parlor
10:00 AM – Worship Service – Sanctuary
11:00 AM – Coffee Hour – Dining Room
2:45 PM – Life Group – Online

Monday, March 18

7:00 PM – Life Group – Parlor

Tuesday, March 19

7:00 PM – Scout Troop 263 – Social Hall

Wednesday, March 20

5:30 PM – Session Meeting – Parlor

Thursday, March 21

4:00 PM – Grief Group – Online
5:30 PM – Pastor Nominating Committee Meeting – Parlor
6:00 PM – Bells Practice – Sanctuary
7:00 PM – Choir Practice – Sanctuary

Saturday, March 23

11:00 AM – March Hike – Brandywind Gorge Trail

Sunday, March 24

9:00 AM – Adult Sunday School – Parlor
10:00 AM – Worship Service – Sanctuary
11:00 AM – Coffee Hour – Dining Room
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.

GRIEF GROUP - Rev. Dr. Debbie Cerra holds a Grief Group, online via Zoom, every 1st and 3rd Thursday, from 4:00-5:00. Debbie can be reached at (856) 912-1202 for more information.

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 Per Capita for 2024 is \$38 per person. Please make this payment as soon as you can. Thank you!

New Members Class – Interested in joining this congregation? Please let Pastor Bill Hudson know. Contact: 234-400-9453

Membership can be accomplished in 1 of 3 ways:

- By confessing Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. And if you have not yet been baptized, this would include your baptism.
- By transfer of your membership from another congregation.
- By a reaffirmation of faith.

Ongoing Prayer Concern: Pastor Blake's wife, Megan, has been diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer. Please keep the Severson family in your prayers. Cards can be sent to:

Blake Severson
420 Cherry St.
Anchorage, AK 99504

Last Day Today – The Care Team, on behalf of our church, is collecting donations for Megan Severson's GoFundMe website. If you feel moved to donate, please see Norma Fink or anyone on the Care Team. Thank you!

Farewell to Rev. Hudson

Rev. Hudson has decided to leave Parma-South effective April 15. We appreciate his service and wish him well. He will preach through Easter Sunday and then take his 2-week earned vacation.

Since Easter Sunday is Rev. Hudson's last day with us, and an Easter potluck is already planned, in lieu of a farewell coffee hour, we will send Rev. Hudson off with a basket of good wishes.

Please write down your kindest regards and place them in a plastic egg.

If you are unable to drop your sentiments off in person, please call the office or email Nicole at OfficeAdmin@parma-south.org. We'll put your comments into an egg for you.

All the Best!

Christian Education



March 24 | Palm Sunday

Our Annual Egg Hunt and Easter Celebration, will be during the Worship service.

EASTER SUNDAY

There will be no Sunday School. Nursery care will be available. Happy Easter!

Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday – March 24 at 10:00 am: On Palm Sunday, our children will pass out palms during the service. Following that, they are invited to our Annual Egg Hunt and Easter celebration. Come and wave the palms, as we celebrate the entrance of Christ into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday Service – March 28 at 7:00 pm: On Maundy Thursday, communion will be served, to commemorate Jesus Christ's Last Supper with his disciples.

Easter Service – Sunday, March 31 at 10:00 am: Please come and join us on Easter morning, communion will be served. There will be Nursery care, but no Sunday School that day. Come and celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

You are invited to

Easter Potluck Luncheon

Parma-South Presbyterian Church

March 31 | Sunday | 11:00 AM

The Dining Hall

Join us for fellowship and an Easter meal immediately after the worship service. Please bring a side dish to share, and RSVP to Katie Kolthoff by March 27th at: 216-386-7741. We hope to see you there!

CEREAL BOXES NEEDED for the Eclipse Event!

Please save your empty cereal boxes and bring them to the church work room. They will be used at our April 8th Eclipse Event (for participants to craft their own pinhole eclipse viewer). Thank you.

Eclipse Event Volunteer Opportunities include: Overseeing activities both inside and outside the Parma-South church building; distributing snacks; direct people to the sanctuary, gym, and bathrooms; oversee some "eclipse" crafts, etc.

If you can help, please notify: John Lahl, Audrey Brandmeier, Cathy Sinko or the church office. Thank you!

PARMA-SOUTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ECLIPSE EVENT

You're invited!



APRIL 8
1:30 - 4PM



SAVE THE DATE

Parma-South's Annual
STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

JUNE 2 | 11AM - 1PM

Set-up Your Personal Giving Online

Your funding supports our church and ministries.



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Go to >> parma-south.org/worship