

Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Parma Heights, Ohio



"LL Cool J" — by Nicolette Faison

Third Sunday Of Lent
March 8, 2026 10:00 AM

Rev. Christin Moreland, **Senior Pastor**
Gwen Beyer, **Lay Reader**
Chris Venesile, **Music Director**
Laurie Archibald, **Organist/Pianist**
Chris Kurka, **A/V Coordinator**
Thomas Molua, **A/V Team Member**
Kyle Jackson, **A/V Team Member**



Reminder: Please sign the attendance pad located in the pew OR scan the code on the front of the bulletin. Thank you!

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

† Prayer by Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org.

WELCOME

THE CHURCH LIFE AND MINISTRY — ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands” Traditional

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

If you need good news,

settle into this space. We have good news to share.

If you need a word of hope,

then trust us when we say, *there is hope enough to go around.*

If you need a glimmer of joy,

then you’re in luck!

We have resilient joy abounding.

If you need to feel God’s presence in your midst,

then know that this is God’s house.

This is the good news of the gospel.

God is here. Love is real. Joy is on the move.

Let us worship our with-us God!

***OPENING HYMN** No. 468

“In My Life (Lord, Be Glorified)”

***† UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, with you the impossible is possible.

5,000 can be fed.

The blind can see.

The hopeless can find hope.

With you the impossible is possible,

but we are quick to forget that.

We look at our hurting world and tell ourselves that nothing can be done.

We forget that you empowered the disciples to feed the crowd.

We forget that you are always with us.

Forgive our small-minded ways.

Forgive us for doubting that change could ever come.

But even more so, forgive us when we refuse to be a part of it.

With hope for a better tomorrow we pray, Amen.

*† DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Family of faith,
no matter how many mistakes the disciples made,
Jesus still washed their feet. Jesus still fed them. Jesus still called them beloved.
The same is true for you and me, so hear and believe this good news:
today is a new day, and once again, we belong to God.
We are forgiven. We are called. We are not alone.
What good, good news. Amen!

*GLORIA PATRI No. 581

CHORAL ANTHEM "God Is My Shepherd" arr. K. Pryor/D. Nolan

*† PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURES Mark 6:32-44 (NRSV)

And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he began to teach them many things. ³⁵ When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; ³⁶ send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat." ³⁷ But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?" ³⁸ And he said to them, "How many loaves have you? Go and see." When they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." ³⁹ Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. ⁴⁰ So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. ⁴¹ Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to his disciples to set before the people, and he divided the two fish among them all. ⁴² And all ate and were filled, ⁴³ and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. ⁴⁴ Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

HYMN N^o. 188 (verse 1 only) “Jesus Loves Me”

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON “The Impossible Is Possible” Rev. Christin Moreland

HYMN OF MEDITATION

 “Human Minds Just Can’t Imagine” (see next page)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “His Eye Is On the Sparrow” C. Gabriel

***DOXOLOGY** N^o. 606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

† PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE/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.

***CLOSING HYMN** N^o. 498 “Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken”

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

 N^o. 227 “Jesus, Remember Me”

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

***POSTLUDE** “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” Traditional Spiritual

Human Minds Just Can't Imagine

AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7 D ("God Whose Giving Knows No Ending")

Words: Anna Strickland (2025)

Music: Joseph Haydn (1797)



Hu - man minds just can't i - ma - gine all that God can bring
God, ex - pand our dreams and vi - sion when we think our gifts
Like the grains of wheat are ga - thered from the vast and roll -



to bear Through our small and sep - arate be - ings, e - ven
too small Help us trust your great pro - vis - ion and to
- ing fields Like the grapes from vi - ny bran - ches whose small



when we join to share Still we fol - low where Christ leads us,
an - swer when you call You who gave us time and ta - lents
fruit the wine will yield We re - mem - ber as one bo - dy,



ma - ny pie - ces of one whole That we might al - low
will up - hold and see us through As we join to - geth -
each of us a cru - cial part In the glo - bal church



our dream - ing to trans - form our bro - ken world
- er in the work you've gi - ven us to do
pro - fess - ing: we be - long to God's own heart

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Chris Kurka—recovery from surgery
Dick Salisbury—for his Move + New Adventure
Sean - in major car accident
Jean Williamson, flu
Barbara Carrig - health concerns
Taralyn grandmother - moving
Kaye Djukic
Ben Chu - immigration ongoing
Christin's mother's 2nd pending eye surgery
Brandmeier baby in NICU
Summers family

Megan Severson - recovery after liver transplant
RECOVERY ADDRESS in Texas through to April:
1912 Arbor St, Unit 1, Houston, TX 77004

FRIDAY
March 26th
5:30- 8:30PM

Valley Forge Auditorium
9999 Independence Blvd
Parma Heights

**EVERYBODY'S
Got Talent
2026**

SING. DANCE LAUGH. CREATE AMAZE

Enjoy an evening of music, dance, comedy, art and special talents while connecting with others in a welcoming space where everyone belongs.
Come cheer on our performers and celebrate the talents which make our community shine

Let us know you are coming by scanning the QR code:

Free Admission.
Open to the community!

WOW!
Oooooo
HaHaHa

The venue is fully accessible and includes an adult changing table to ensure comfort and dignity for all attendees.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 8

10:00AM – Worship Service — Sanctuary
After worship —Committee Expo !! — Gym
Coffee Hour
2:45PM — Life Group Meeting — Online

Monday, March 9

11:00AM — Care Team Meeting — Parlor
7:00PM — Life Group Meeting — Parlor

Tuesday, March 10

Parma Heights SWAT in Education Wing All Day
10:00AM — Esther Circle Group — Parlor
5:30PM — Weekly Lent Soup Supper—Dining Room/Gym

Wednesday, March 11

2:30PM — Tech Team Meeting—Parlor

Thursday, March 12

6:00 PM — 4H Spin Groups/3D Printing — Parlor
7:00PM — Choir Rehearsal– Sanctuary
7:00PM — Pack Meeting — Gym & Dining Room

Saturday, March 14

9:00AM — Men's Square Group — Parlor

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENT 2026

WEEKLY SOUP SUPPERS

TUESDAYS
5:30 PM

March 3
March 10
March 17
March 24
March 31

FREE

Every Tuesday during Lent, we are sharing a simple meal and engaging in a short devotional. **Do you make a famous soup or chowder you can share?** Please call 440-885-2652 or EMAIL officeadmin@parma-south.org or use the QR code to the left, to tell us you will be coming. There is also a sign-up at the "Holy Communication table" in the narthex.



RSVP HERE

*Presbytery
of the
Western Reserve*
STATED MEETING

The March stated meeting of the Presbytery is Monday, 3/23 at Korean Central Church located at 8220 Brecksville Rd. Brecksville. OH 44141

Parma-South gets 2 commissioners.

If you've ever been ordained as an elder (you don't have to be currently serving) YOU can be one of our commissioners! You can attend in-person or via Zoom.

This meeting features a tasty Korean meal starting at 5:30 pm, and the meeting begins at 6:30 pm. Even if you aren't an elder, or otherwise eligible to be a commissioner, you can attend as a non-voting member! There are lots of good things happening at the Presbytery, and it's helpful to be informed and deeply meaningful to participate in our denominational governance.