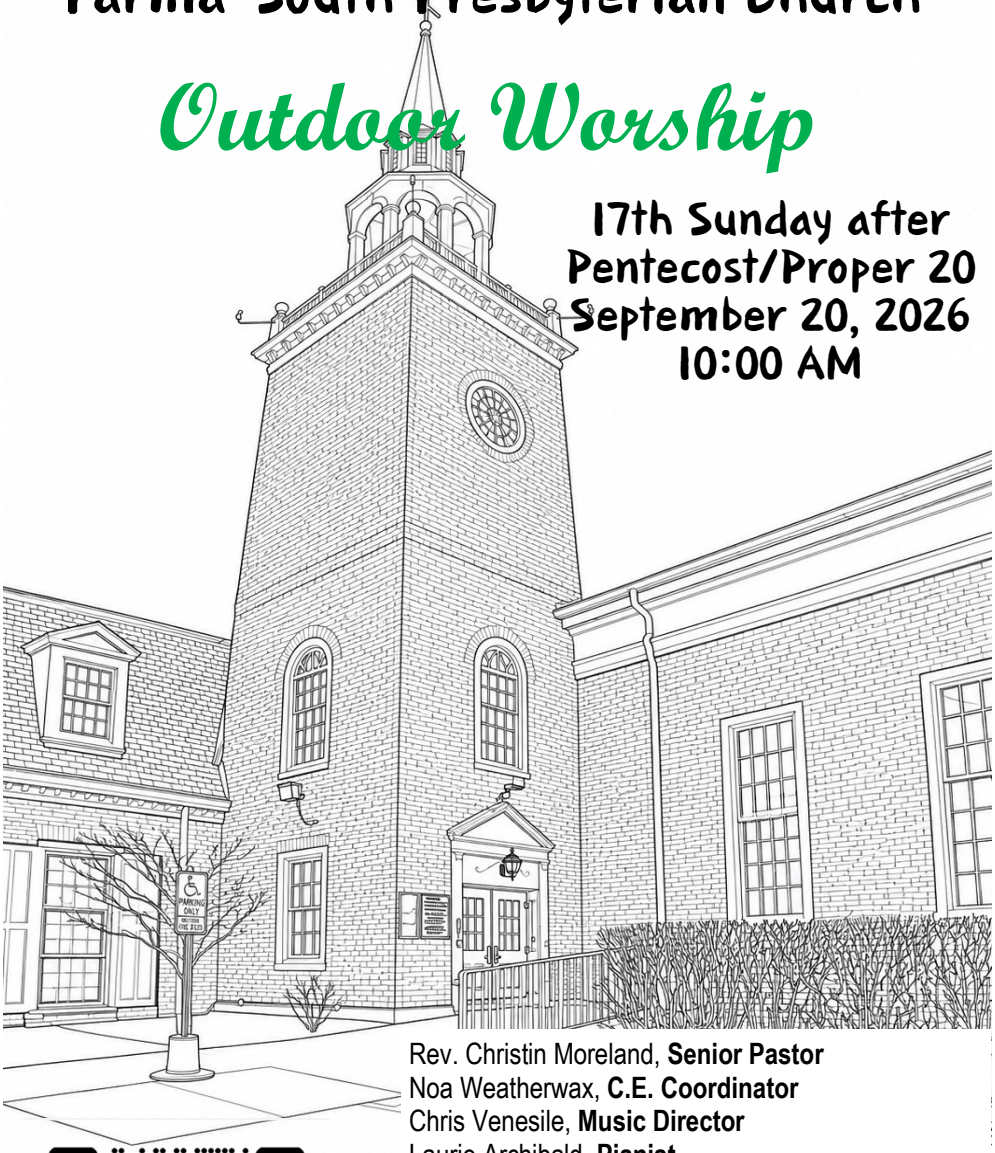
Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Outdoor Worship

17th Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 20
September 20, 2026
10:00 AM



Rev. Christin Moreland, **Senior Pastor**
Noa Weatherwax, **C.E. Coordinator**
Chris Venesile, **Music Director**
Laurie Archibald, **Pianist**
Pam Murawski, **Lay Reader**
Chris Kurka, **A/V Coordinator**
Thomas Molua, **A/V Team Member**
Kyle Jackson, **A/V Team Member**

Welcome to worship !!
Please scan this QR code OR sign the GREEN ATTENDANCE BOOKLETS being circulated. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Family of Clark Weaver who passed away 9/13
Alexis Hanna, healing
Rose Djucik
Dominic Profio, healing
Phil, medical issues
Fran Marvel
Barb Carrig
Judy - Sharon's sister
Linda Tresise medical issues
Nancy Calloway eyesight problems
PRAISE — for Jake and Jackie's engagement

BLESSINGS on the birth of Ben Chu's Daughter, Lenora, (Born about 2:00AM Sunday morning) ;Both baby and mom, Judith, are doing well

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY , 11:00AM
WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING— After worship service in the Parlor.

BUILDING FOR *Hope*

TODAY, 11:00AM
BUILDING FOR HOPE Facility tour (see the back cover)

The LAST PARMA SOUTH FARMERS MARKET of the season is this TUESDAY, **September 22nd** from 4:00PM to 7:00PM.

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.**

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

WELCOME

THE CHURCH LIFE AND MINISTRY

PRELUDE "Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord" Bob Hudson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Whether we embrace God's call in our lives or try to avoid it,
God is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
Whether we are long-timers or latecomers in the life of faith,
God is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
Whether our lives in Christ are comfortable or bring hardship,
God is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
We praise God's name forever and ever!

***OPENING HYMN** No. 475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

HYMN No. 475
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

1 Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

3 O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
Almighty God, when we follow the path of Jonah and allow our anger and frustration to cut us off from others, you sit next to us and call us back to your way of mercy, love and redemption. It is one thing to accept these gifts for ourselves; it is another to extend them to those who frustrate us. Forgive us for our anger, resentment, and desire to hoard. We lay these impulses at your feet and ask that you create a new heart within us, one modeled after your steadfast love and generosity. Help us to see the world in new ways. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**
God extends to us mercy beyond our deserving, grace beyond our ability to earn it.
God has granted us the privilege of believing in Christ;
therefore we will live as grateful and forgiven people!
Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI**

CHORAL ANTHEM **"**Shall We Gather at the River"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Jonah 3:10 – 4:11 (The Message)
10 God saw what they had done, that they had turned away from their evil lives.
He *did* change his mind about them. What he said he would do to them he didn't do.

4 1-2 Jonah was furious. He lost his temper. He yelled at God, "God! I knew it—
when I was back home, I knew this was going to happen! That's why I ran off to
Tarshish! I knew you were sheer grace and mercy, not easily angered, rich in love,
and ready at the drop of a hat to turn your plans of punishment into a program of
forgiveness!
3 "So, God, if you won't kill them, kill *me*! I'm better off dead!"
4 God said, "What do you have to be angry about?"
5 But Jonah just left. He went out of the city to the east and sat down in a sulk. He
put together a makeshift shelter of leafy branches and sat there in the shade to
see what would happen to the city.
6 God arranged for a broad-leafed tree to spring up. It grew over Jonah to cool him
off and get him out of his angry sulk. Jonah was pleased and enjoyed the shade.
Life was looking up.
7-8 But then God sent a worm. By dawn of the next day, the worm had bored into

the shade tree and it withered away. The sun came up and God sent a hot, blistering wind from the east. The sun beat down on Jonah's head and he started to faint. He prayed to die: "I'm better off dead!"
9 Then God said to Jonah, "What right do you have to get angry about this shade tree?"
Jonah said, "Plenty of right. It's made me angry enough to die!"
10-11 God said, "What's this? How is it that you can change your feelings from pleasure to anger overnight about a mere shade tree that you did nothing to get? You neither planted nor watered it. It grew up one night and died the next night. So, why can't I likewise change what I feel about Nineveh from anger to pleasure, this big city of more than 120,000 childlike people who don't yet know right from wrong, to say nothing of all the innocent animals?"

PASSING OF THE PEACE

HYMN No. 188 (verse 1 only) "Jesus Loves Me"

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON "Disappointed by Grace" Rev. Christin Moreland

HYMN OF MEDITATION

No. 307 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

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"God of Grace and God of Glory"

1
God of grace and God of glo-ry,
On Thy peo-ple pour Thy pow-er.
Crown Thine an-cient Church's sto-ry,
Bring its bud to glo-ri-ous flow-er.
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,
For the fac-ing of this hour,
For the fac-ing of this hour.

2
Lo! the hosts of ev-il 'round us,
Scorn Thy Christ, as-sail His ways.
From the fears that long have bound us,
Free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,
For the liv-ing of these days,
For the liv-ing of these days.

3
Cure Thy child-ren's war-ring mad-ness,
Bend our pride to Thy con-trol.
Shame our wan-ton self-ish glad-ness,
Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,
Lest we miss Thy king-dom's goal,
Lest we miss Thy king-dom's goal,

4
Save us from weak re-sig-na-tion,
To the ev-ils we de-plore.
Let the gift of Thy sal-va-tion,
Be our glo-ry ev-er-more.
Grant us wis-dom, grant us cour-age,
Serving Thee whom we ad-ore,
Serving Thee whom we ad-ore.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY "This Little Light of Mine" arr. M. Hayes

***DOXOLOGY** No. 606 "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE 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** No. 541 "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

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1

God be with you till we meet again,
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

2

God be with you till we meet again;
unseen wings protecting hide you, daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.

3

God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing round you;
God be with you till we meet again.

4

God be with you till we meet again;
keep love's banner floating o'er you,
smite death's threatening wave before you;
God be with you till we meet again.

CHARGE AND BLESSING

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

No. 771 "What Is the World Like"

Verse 1

What is the world like when God's will is done?
Mustard seeds grow more than we can conceive:
roots thread the soil; branches reach for the sun.
This is how God moves us each to believe.

***POSTLUDE** "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me" arr. M. Hayes

This Week at Parma South

Sunday, September 20

10:00AM – Outdoor Worship — Sanctuary
11:00AM — Building for Hope Building Tours
11:00AM—Worship Committee Meeting—Parlor
3:00 PM — Al-Anon — Parlor

Tuesday, September 22

All Day — PHPD Onsite Training—Education Wing

4:00PM—7:00PM — FINAL FOR THE SEASON

Parma-South Farmer's Market — Outdoor/Greenspaces

6:00PM — Bible Study — Upper Conference Room

Wednesday, September 23

9:00AM—Constellation School Evacuation Drill

Friday, September 25

5:00PM - 8:00PM - Troop 263 in Kitchen

Saturday, September 26

8:00AM - 10:00AM - Troop 263 in Kitchen

PARMA-SOUTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

EXPLORE PARMA-SOUTH

OUR BUILDING. WHAT COULD HAPPEN HERE?

BUILDING TOURS AFTER WORSHIP

Meet in the gym near the stage around 11:00a.m..

SEPT 20	SEPT 27	OCT 4	TOWN HALL OCT 11

HELP US IMAGINE SOMETHING BIG

Parma-South is progressing through the Building for Hope process and seeking bold, sustainable programs that use our building **to meet community needs.**

Tour the upstairs offices, education wing and huge third-floor with Building for Hope guides.

Third-floor room accessible only by stairs.