

OHIO UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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- Sunday worship 10:00 am
- Sunday School for our younger members (Grades Pre-K - 6th grade) during worship

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OUR SESSION

CLASS OF 2026: Joe Glatz, Jennifer Davis

Rich Palmer (2T), John Martin (2T)

CLASS OF 2025: Chris Otto (2T), Casey Honess (2T),

Patti Strominger, Chris Mathias

CLASS OF 2024: Gina Arzberger (2T), Rayna Knox

Paul Magee (2T), Wendi Rybicki

OUR DEACONS

CLASS OF 2026: Dave Kocher, Ivonne Markish

Greg Holsinger, Dianne Kanitra (2T)

CLASS OF 2025: Ava Diccico, Dawn Psik

Denise Matthias, Ken Jones

CLASS OF 2024: Jeff Barth, Bob Hurni

Eleanor Pike, Corinna Petrella



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Presbyterian Church



Loving God,

Loving Neighbor;

Helping Our Neighbors to Love God

January 14, 2024

“The place God calls you to is the place where
your deep gladness and the world’s

deep hunger meet.”---Frederick Buechner

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Bob Goossen

CALL TO WORSHIP “As the Deer”

626

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Marsha Douglass

God of quiet Word and loud silences,

It is amazing that You would speak to us;

that You would desire us to know Your Story,

and to be Your confidants.

We recognize in this awesome privilege, Your intense love

and unquenchable quest to commune with us. And so...

we thank and praise You for Your Word of life,

made visible in Your Son Jesus, our Lord,

and in every living thing. Amen

***CAROL** “When Morning Gilds the Skies”

667

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We try to stop Jesus from coming into our lives, Patient God, for

we know how disruptive he can be. He wants us to preach the

gospel with our lives, but we prefer to complain how hard that

is to do. He would like us not to give up until justice is done, but

we just don’t seem to have the time.

We confess because we know we need to be forgiven by you, Glory and Grace. Bathe us in the life giving waters of your mercy so we can come up from the water, ready to do good for others, to give you all the praise, to learn justice, grace, and hope from your Servant, Jesus Christ.

Silence is kept

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Come and see! God's grace is poured out on everyone.

God's hope is freely shared in every moment. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

ALL: *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!*

***RESPONSE** (to the tune of hymn #354)

Glory, glory hallelujah! Glory, glory hallelujah!

Glory, glory hallelujah! God's love is reigning here.

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

CHILDREN'S CHAT

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON John 1:43-51

SERMON "Come and See"

DISCIPLES RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD

***THE APOSTLES CREED** (unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell, the third day he arose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

***SONG** "Here I Am, Lord" 69

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS (insert)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE COMMUNION

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

***RESPONSE** "We Are an Offering" 710

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING SONG** "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit (vs 1 & chorus) 408

There's a sweet sweet Spirit in this place
And I know that it's the Sprit of the Lord
There are sweet expressions on each face
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove
Stay right here with us filling us with your love
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place

***GREETING ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

***POSTLUDE**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday School

- Children 3yrs - 6th grade during worship
- The Adult class will resume on Jan. 21

Sunday, January 14–Deacon Training @9am in library

Sunday, January 14–Ordination & Installation of Deacons and Elders

Sunday, January 14–Communion

Sunday, January 14–Mission Committee Meeting following worship

Sunday January 14–Youth Group @6-7:30pm

Monday, January 15–Property Meeting @6:30pm

Monday, January 15–Deborah Circle Bible Study @6:30pm

Wednesday, January 17–Story Time @10am

Sunday, January 21–Worship Committee Meeting following worship

Sunday, January 21–Youth Group 6-7:30pm

Wednesday, January 24–Story Time @10am

Saturday, January 27–Presbytery Meeting @10am at N. Sewickley Church

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held on Sunday, January 28, following worship. We'll distribute the 2023 reports, review the 2024 budget and elect a deacon to fill Ava DiCicco's term as she has resigned to finish high school and head to college later this year.

Keep Them in Your Prayers: Donna Olexick, Rich Kerlin, Paul (Karen Keller's friend), Lynn Smith, Peter Kerlin, Marcia Davis, Jack Gennaro, Don Habedank (Shirley Fluharty's brother), Bernie Fedorka (Mark Douglass's friend), David Alexander (Shirley Fluharty's son-in-law), Tom Owczarzak, Paul Kulha, Jim Williams

In the Military: Don Sanders, William Barth, Kelly Barth

Those who are not able to worship regularly: Sarah Jane Shaffer, Dolores Skinner, Lois Davie, Willa Kocher, Maude Williams, Pat & Tony Wozniak, Roberta Smith, Ella Mae Speiker, Edna Petrella, Lois Dancer, Dorothy Elko, Irene Gartley, Martha Piroli, Libby Urick, Trudy Boggs, Janice Adamski, Betty Solinski

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Affirmation:

There are different gifts

But it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God,

But it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through people in different ways,

But it is the same God who is working through each one.

Each one is given a gift by the Spirit,

To use for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,

And individually members of him.

Though we have different gifts, we jointly proclaim the good news of the gospel...

Questions for those being ordained and installed

Congregational Question:

Do we, the members of the Ohio United Presbyterian Church accept Dave, Greg, Ivonne, Dawn and Dianne as deacons and Jennifer, Joe, John and Rich as elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

Prayer for Ordination & Installation

All elders and deacons are invited to join in the laying on of hands.

Charge and Welcome