

## 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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**Choir Director:** Amanda Collins

**Worship Leader/Pianist:** Alli Feszko

**Custodian:** Monica Ward

**Treasurer:** Chris Hurni

**Youth Coordinator:** Peggy Franzese

**Organist Emeritus:** Shirley Fluharty

### **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 Holsinger

Greg Holsinger, Dianne Kanitra (2T)

CLASS OF 2025: Dawn Psik, Terri Owczarzak

Denise Matthias, Ken Jones

CLASS OF 2024: Jeff Barth, Bob Hurni

Eleanor Pike, Corinna Petrella



# OHIO UNITED

*Presbyterian Church*



***Loving God,  
Loving Neighbor;  
Helping Our Neighbors to Love God  
September 29, 2024***

### **DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

#### **PRELUDE**

Alli Feszko

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: If it had not been for God, who was on our side, we have fallen prey to those who want to harm us: we would have been swept away by sadness and fear.

**All: Blessed be the Lord, our protector!**

Leader: God has broken the snare that took away our freedom. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**All: Blessed be God's holy name!**

#### **\*PRAYER OF ADORATION (unison)**

Liturgist Marsha Douglass

God of all creation, you have opened the world around us and filled it with beauty and purpose.

Each creature declares your praise - the mountain states your majesty; the ripened field, your generosity.

Birds flying aloft sing of your freedom; the tiny ant works with your persistence.

We pray that all our work will honor your justice and mercy. May all our relationships speak of your compassion.

So may we praise you, O God, not just in this hour of worship but in all the hours you grant us, as we follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Friend. Amen.

#### **\* HYMN "Be Still My Soul"**

819

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**God of unity, we live in a world where our lives move between inclusivity and exclusivity. We often move toward the latter, trying to oust from our circles those who do not think like us, act like us, or look like us. Forgive our need to reject and to always be on the lookout for those things that make us different. Give us eyes of our Teacher, who knows unconditional love and compassion and sees us all as one, for it is in his name that we pray.** *Silence is kept...*

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

Though we wander from the truth, God brings us back and saves our souls from death. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSE** “Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks” (chorus, vs 4, chorus) 240

**DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD**

**ANTHEM**

**CHILDREN’S CHAT**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Shine the light of your Word on the path ahead, O God. Help us choose the way of your wisdom, so we may bear fruit that is pleasing to you and shines your light into the world around us. Amen

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS** Psalm 124:1-8, James 5:13-20

**SERMON** “It’s Not Rocket Science” Tamara Hall

**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 rose 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.

**\*HYMN** “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” 465

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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

**OFFERING**

The Letter of James invites us to show gentleness born of God’s wisdom through our good works. The gifts we offer to God support many good works through our congregation and the work Presbyterians undertake together around the world. May they bear much fruit in Jesus’ name.

**\*RESPONSE** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” 607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God,  
Whom we adore. Amen

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Wise and faithful God, we offer our gifts to you in thanksgiving for your gifts to us in Christ and in creation. Bless these gifts and the good works they will support, so that the world may know your wisdom and faithfulness through Christ, our Lord. Amen**

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE** “There’s a Sweet Sweet Spirit” (vs 1 & chorus) 408

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

**\*POSTLUDE**

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **Sunday School**

Children 3 yr–6th grade during worship following children's chat

Adult Sunday School–9am to 9:45am

**Sundays September 15 thru December 1**–Youth Choir Rehearsal 9-9:45am

**Monday, September 30**–Youth Group @7-8:30pm

**Tuesday, October 1**–Women's Association Meeting @6:30pm

**Wednesday, October 2**–Story Time @10am

**Thursday, October 3**–Choir practice @7pm

**Saturday, October 5**–Pancake Breakfast supporting the Hopewell Marching Band from 8am-12pm.

**Sunday, October 6**–Communion

**Monday, October 7**–Visit to the residents at Beaver Elder Care from 2 to 3pm.

It is a great hour of hymns, bingo and fellowship. All ages are welcome! If able to help, we will meet in the church lot at 1:30 (if you want to car pool) or you can meet us there. Any questions please text or call Gina Azrberger 724-809-3215.

**SAVE THESE DATES:** Women's Retreat is on Saturday, October 26th.

Details coming soon.

The 225th Anniversary Celebration is on Sunday, October 27th, starting with 10am service followed by a luncheon!

Cookie Bazaar is on December 14. More details to follow

### **SESSION TEAM LEADERS**

Worship Team Leader: Gina Arzberger

Congregational Care Team Leader: John Martin

Mission Team Leaders: Casey Honess/Rayna Knox

Operations Team Leader: Wendi Rybicki

**Keep Them in Your Prayers:** Donna Olexick, Rich Kerlin, Paul (Karen Keller's friend), Lynn Smith, Peter Kerlin, Marcia Davis, Jack Gennaro, Bernie Fedorka (Mark Douglass's friend), Tom Owczarzak, Paul Kulha, Jim Williams

**In the Military:** William Barth

**Those who are not able to worship regularly:** Sarah Jane Shaffer, Dolores Skinner, Lois Davie, Pat & Tony Wozniak, Ella Mae Speiker, Edna Petrella, Dorothy Elko, Irene Gartley, Libby Urick, Trudy Boggs, Janice Adamski, Betty Solinski