

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

God of life and love, we are grateful for all you have given us in Christ and in creation, in community and in the Church that bears Jesus' name. We offer our gifts to you in love, trusting you will bless them and us. May all that we offer become tangible expressions of your love at work in the world for Christ's sake. Amen

***HYMN** "Will You Come and Follow Me (the Summons)" 726

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE** "Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place" (chorus only)

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.
I can feel his mighty power, and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angel's wings,
I see glory on each face.
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

***POSTLUDE**



OHIO UNITED

Presbyterian Church



*Loving God,
Loving Neighbor;
Helping Our Neighbors to Love God*
February 2, 2025
4th Sunday after Epiphany

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Kalyn Stewing

MISSION FOCUS

The Rev. Magnus Moseray

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you

Leader: Let us share this peace with one another.

(please share the peace of Christ with those around you)

Let us prepare our hearts and minds for the worship of God.

PRELUDE

Alli Feszko

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O Lord, in you we find refuge;

All: Let us never be put to shame.

One: Turn your ear to us, O God, and save us.

All: For you are our rock and our fortress.

One: God has been our hope and our trust from our earliest days.

All: God has been with us since we were born from our mother's womb.

One: Let us sing out our praise of God's steadfast love.

All: We will offer God all glory and honor this day and always!

***PRAYER OF ADORATION** (unison)

Liturgist Patti Strominger

Almighty and everlasting One,

your power is incomparable, your majesty infinite,
and your love beyond our imaginations.

You are hidden in mystery, and yet so present.

In a hectic world, you are peace and rest.

In a harsh world, you are tenderness and mercy.

In the cold and dark of winter, you are light and comfort,
and so we bring you our worship,
for you are the One who created us,
the One who redeems us,
and the One who gives us life,
our one and only God,
to whom we offer all love and loyalty, now and always. Amen

***HYMN** "Though I May Speak" 693

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**God, whose name is love,
we confess our faults and failings,
knowing you know us through and through.
You tell us that love is patient and kind,
and you know when our patience and kindness fall short.
You tell us love is never rude or selfish,
and you see the times we insist on our own way.
Forgive us the excuses we make to ourselves when our love falters.
Strengthen us by your Spirit so that our love is genuine and reliable.
Amen**

Silence is kept...

DECLARATION OF PARDON

God is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.
As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love;
as far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our sins.
Thanks be to God whose love and forgiveness are steadfast.
May we be steadfast in our forgiveness of one another.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen

***RESPONSE** "Give Thanks" 647

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S CHAT

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

God of wisdom, we long to hear your holy Word in new and fresh ways.
Open our ears to hear your call.

Open our minds to understand your truth.
Open our eyes to the work of your kingdom and equip us to take
our part. Amen

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

SERMON "All You Need Is Love"

***AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** unison

God is the question with whom we contend throughout our lives.
God is the One standing there in the closing of the doors
and the opening of the windows.
God is the Surprising Voice that calls us in the jaggedness of life.
God is the Hand that keeps the world from snuffing out the stars.
God is the Poem that begins and ends in a circle.
God is the Circle that neither begins nor ends.
(from Searching for Shalom)

* **HYMN** "How He Loves" David Crowder Band (insert)

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen

OFFERING

God offers us many gifts through the same Spirit
so that, together, we may serve in Jesus' name.
Trust that what you have to give, God will bless in faithfulness and
fruitfulness.

* **RESPONSE** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" 606

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday School

Children 3 yrs – 6th grade during worship following Children’s Chat
Adult Sunday School–9am to 9:45am

Sunday, February 2–Youth Group Ice Skating Brady’s Run Park 12:45-2:45

Monday, February 3–Property Meeting @6:30pm

Wednesday, February 5–Story Time @9:30 Or 10:30 am

Sunday, February 9–Super Bowl Party at Manse @6pm

Monday, February 19– Youth Group 7 to 8:30pm

Tuesday, February 11–Deacons meeting @6:30pm

Tuesday, February 11–Session @7pm

The date for the Congregational Meeting has been changed to February 16, 2025 following worship.

The Worship Committee will be meeting to plan future worship events and schedules on Sunday, February 2 after church. We will also be setting up meeting dates for future Worship Committee meetings in 2025. We plan to meet in the library. Anyone who would like to help with this is welcome to join us. If you have any questions, please see Chris Mathias.

Final 2024 Totals

We spent \$211,242

We collected \$202,110

Per Capita expenses \$8,840

Per Capita collections \$2800 (approx. 31%)

The 2025 Per Capita obligation will be \$8,640. This is based on the fact that at the end of 2023 we had 191 active members.

This year Per Capita amount will be \$45.24 per member.

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

In the Military: William Barth

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

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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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Treasurer: Chris Hurni

Youth Coordinator: Peggy Franzese

Organist Emeritus: Shirley Fluharty

OUR SESSION

CLASS OF 2027: Wendi Rybicki (2T), Christina Palmer

Michael Kamenski, Charles Hendrick

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

OUR DEACONS

CLASS OF 2027: Eleanor Pike (2T), Bob Hurni (2T)

Chris Hurni, Ginny Adams

CLASS OF 2026: Dave Kocher, Ivonne Holsinger

Greg Holsinger, Dianne Kanitra (2T)

CLASS OF 2025: Dawn Psik, Terri Owczarzak

Denise Matthias, Ken Jones

