

*** 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

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Creator God, you made each of us in our uniqueness,
and together, you made all of us to bear your image in the
world. Accept our gifts, unique as they are, and bless them
for the sake of your Son, Jesus. May they bear his grace and
mercy into the world you love so your purposes will be
fulfilled. Amen**

***HYMN** “Blest Be the Tie that Binds” 306

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***
January 26, 2025
Third Sunday after Epiphany
Congregational Meeting

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Kalyn Stewing

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 greet those around you with signs of peace)

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

PRELUDE

Alli Feszko

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: There is one true God.

**All: whom to know is life eternal,
whom to serve is joy and peace.**

One: God creates all that is.

**All: The whole universe displays
the majesty and power of its Maker.**

One: We worship God as the source of all life.

**All: With thanks we acknowledge
God’s wisdom, power, faithfulness, and love.**

***PRAYER OF ADORATION** (unison)

Creator, Christ and Spirit;
you are the maker of a better world.
You are the creator of lasting peace.

We worship you for the gifts of peace and healing that you bring into troubled lives.
You have shown us the way to work for justice, to love friend and enemy alike, to build a better world.
In this time of worship, inspire us to believe our work in your name makes a difference.
So may we live to bring glory to you through our commitment to you and the communion we share with so many around the world as your faithful disciples. Amen

***HYMN** "God is Here" 409

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**God of grace and harmony,
we confess we can be divisive when you call us to unity,
quarrelsome when you call us to seek peace,
and critical rather than caring.
We have grown used to our own ways
and cannot imagine you would ask us to change
even for the sake of the Gospel.
Forgive us when we mistake our familiar traditions for your truth.
Show us how we can witness to your love
through working and worshipping together. Amen**

Silence is kept...

DECLARATION OF PARDON

God's mercy is from everlasting to everlasting.
It shines into the world and scatters the darkness.
Know that you are forgiven and forgive one another.
Be at peace and walk in the newness of life, led by God's light.
All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen

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

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S CHAT

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy One, no wisdom or truth comes apart from you,
and so we seek your guidance as your Word is read and interpreted.

Send your Holy Spirit to move in us and among us
so that we might better understand your word for us this day,
and act upon it for the sake of Christ, your Living Word. Amen

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

SERMON "Gifts"

***AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Apostle's Creed) unison

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN

***HYMN** "Build My Life" (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 and the power
and the glory forever
Amen

OFFERING

The Apostle Paul reminds us that we are part of one body, each of us and all of us. The gifts we offer in Jesus' name are all needed, each of them and all of them. Together, the body of Christ accomplishes many things through the gifts we share.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday School

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

Sunday, January 26–Special meeting of Deborah Circle to plan for Manna following worship (congregational meeting)

Monday, January 27–Youth Group 7-8:30pm

Wednesday, January 29–Story Time 9:30 or 10:30

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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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

