

***RESPONSE** “Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be
With God as our Father
Brothers all are we
Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony
Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me

***POSTLUDE**

***please stand if you are able**



OHIO UNITED

Presbyterian Church



***Loving God;
Loving Neighbors;***

Helping Our Neighbors to Love God

September 21, 2025

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Skye Lanham

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist Chris Mathias

Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the
Lord our Maker.

**For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,
the flock under his care.**

***PRAYER OF ADORATION** (unison)

**Glory be to you, Father everlasting, who sent your only-begotten
Son into the world, that we might live through him. Glory be to
you, Lord Jesus Christ, who has brought life and immortality to
light through the gospel. Glory be to you, Holy Spirit, who
quickens us together with Christ, and sheds abroad his love in our
hearts. Blessed be you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God
and blessed be your glorious name forever. Amen**

***HYMN** “God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned, in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased you. Cleanse us from our secret faults and forgive our sins, for the sake of your dear Son, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Silence is kept for a time of personal confession

DECLARATION OF PARDON Liturgist Chris Mathias

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. By the blood of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen

***RESPONSE** "Near to the Heart of God" 824

There us a place of quiet rest, near to the heart of God,
A place where sin cannot molest, near to the heart of God,
O Jesus, blest Redeemer, sent from the heart of God,
Hold us, who wait before thee, near to the heart of God.

HEARING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S CHAT Rev. Kathy Horstman

PRAYER OF UNDERSTANDING

FIRST SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 3:8-18; 4:1-2; 12-19

SECOND SCRIPTURE Matthew 10:24-39

SERMON "Living and Dying in the Courage of Christ" Rev. Kathy Horstman

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (unison)

Apostles Creed

**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** "Lead On, O King Eternal" 269

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

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

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SENDING

***HYMN** "O Jesus, I Have Promised" 724

***BENEDICTION**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday School

Children 3 yr - 6th grade during worship following children's chat
Adult Sunday School - in Library at 9am studying the Book of James
led by John Martin

Sundays Kid's Musical Practice @ 9-9:45

Tuesday, September 23—Presbytery Meeting at New Bethlehem @4:00

Tuesday, September 23—MANNA @5:15

Wednesday, September 24—Story Time begins at 9:30 or 10:30 am
and every Wednesday thereafter

Saturday, October 4—HS Band Boosters Pancake Breakfast @8-12pm

Sunday, October 5—Communion

Monday, October 6—Property Meeting @6:30pm

Tuesday, October 7—Women's Association Meeting @6:30

Sunday, October 12—SOUP SALE Following worship (see insert for details)

Saturday, October 25—Ladies mark your calendars for the Women's Retreat
at Raccoon State Park. Watch for details in
September.

We are looking for volunteers to do special music/readings on the weeks that
the choir is not singing. It can be playing an instrument, singing a song, or
reading a poem. Anything you would like to do to enhance our worship
service. The sign up sheet is hanging outside the choir room

Keep Them in Your Prayers: Donna Olexick, Rich Kerlin, Paul (Karen Keller's
friend), Lynn Smith, Peter Kerlin, Jack Gennaro, Paul Kulha, Jim William

In the Military: William Barth, Nick Hoth

Those who are not able to worship regularly: Sarah Jane Shaffer, Dolores
Skinner, Ella Mae Speiker, Edna Petrella, Dorothy Elko, Libby Urick, Trudy Boggs,
Betty Solinski, Ed & Evelyn Lawson, Everitt Laird, Betty Martin, Brenda Jones

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

Administrative Assistant:

Nancy Connell

Church office hours Monday through Thursday 9:00-2:00

Church phone #: 724-378-3690 ext. 3

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Worship Accompanist: Skye Lanham

Custodian: Monica Ward

Treasurer: Chris Hurni

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 Mathias, Ken Jones

