



First Presbyterian Church

Middletown, Ohio

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May 30, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.

Prelude

The Church's One Foundation
Phil and Sarah Thornbery

Arr. W. Mayo

Call to Worship (responsive)

1 Corinthians 12:4–7, 27

There are varieties of 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 each person in a unique way,

but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit

to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ,

and individually members of it.

Hymn #462

I Love to Tell the Story
Phil and Sarah Thornbery

Hankey

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Mighty and merciful God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. We have been timid and frightened disciples, forgetful of your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us. O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. As you have chosen us and claimed us in our baptism, strengthen us anew to choose Christ's way in this world. Give us your Holy Spirit that each one in ministry may be provided with all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our common calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hymnal #447

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

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Circle Time

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

Statements of Faith

Paul Cohen, Deacon
Larry Anderson, Elder
Sarah Thornbery, Elder
Julie Ramsey, Elder
Marge Wooley, Deacon

Duet

You Are My All in All
Phil and Sarah Thornbery

Arr. L. Larson

Affirmation of Faith

The 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.

Welcome and Announcements

Installation & Ordination of New Officers

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

* Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! Setting by R. Hobby



Our Life Together...

Leading Worship today: Michael Isaacs, Pastor; Joyce Zigler, Director of Music Ministries/Organist; Phil & Sarah Thornbery, duets; Jim Harris, Sound Technician; Carol Burns and Becky Hillshafer, Baristas.

Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available for use during the worship services. Please contact an usher for assistance.

Join us after worship outside the Gathering Area doors for Fellowship Hour. (This is weather-permitting.)

Announcements

COVID-19 Updates from May 25 Session Meeting

Session continues to work diligently to be safe, responsible, and faithful to God and neighbor. After discussion, reflection, and prayer, here are the recent updates for our COVID-19 response.

- Masks are encouraged for the full participation of children and people who are immunocompromised in worship.
- Physical distancing measures will continue in the Sanctuary.
- We will resume responsive and unison readings and prayers.
- Worship may include vocal ensembles of up to eight singers. While we are eager to sing together again, we will wait to resume congregational singing.

Session appreciates everyone's diligence and patience.

Sunday Morning Building Security

Session has been reviewing building safety and security. At our May meeting we approved a policy that only doors that open directly into the Narthex and Gathering Area will be open after 10:10.

On Sundays, the front sanctuary doors and Door A (Gathering Area) will remain open. Door C (Circle Drive) and Door H (Side Sanctuary) will be open until 10:10. All other doors will only be suitable for exiting the building.

Save the dates! We are excited to be scheduling worship services throughout 2021. The Phil DeGreg Jazz Trio will join us for worship on August 29. The Central State University Choir will join us for worship on November 14. More exciting dates are pending!

Men's Monthly Meeting is an opportunity for the men of the church to get together and socialize over dinner. On **June 8**, the meeting will be at The Clubhouse Sports Grille, 250 N. Main St., Monroe, at **5:30 p.m.** Hope to see you there!

Kirkmont Summer Camp scholarships are available in the church office, due by June 1. Visit <https://www.kirkmontcenter.org> or contact Lisa Kaufer for more information.

Prayer list

Please submit any prayer requests for today's service to Michael before the worship service begins.

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