



First Presbyterian Church

Middletown, Ohio
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July 17, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

Prelude

The Lord's My Shepherd

arr. Joseph Martin

* Call to Worship

Psalm 113:1-8

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD;

Praise the name of the LORD.

Blessed be the name of the LORD

from this time on and forevermore.

From the rising of the sun to its setting

the name of the LORD is to be praised.

The LORD is high above all nations,

and his glory above the heavens.

Who is like the LORD our God,

who is seated on high?

Who looks far down

on the heavens and the earth?

The LORD raises the poor from the dust,

and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

to make them sit with princes,

with the princes of his people.

* Hymn #450

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

* Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

* Assurance of Forgiveness

* Gloria Patri

We Are Forgiven

Hymnal #447

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

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Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Amos 8:1-12

Duet *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* arr. Lloyd Larson
Mick Susco, tenor and Tony Susco, bass

Scripture Luke 10:38-42

Sermon Michael Isaacs

* **Hymn #175** *Seek Ye First* Lafferty

* **Affirmation of Faith (unison)** From the French Confession of 1559

We believe and confess only one God
who can do all things,
is all-wise, all-good,
all just, and all-merciful.

We believe that everything required for our salvation
has been offered and communicated to us in Jesus Christ,
the wisdom of God and God's eternal Son.

Jesus Christ clothed himself in our flesh:
God and human in one person.

We believe that we are illuminated in faith
by the unfathomable grace of the Holy Spirit.

God imparts this gracious gift.

By faith we receive grace

to live holy lives in awe and reverence for God,
for we receive what the gospel promises
when God gives us the Holy Spirit.

Faith does not cool our desire for good and holy living,
but rather engenders and excites it in us.

Welcome & Announcements

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.

* **Hymn #834** *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* Precious Lord

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

O God Beyond All Praising arr. Jeffrey Honore



Our Life Together...

Leading worship today: Michael Isaacs, Pastor; Tony Susco, Worship Assistant; Janet Scott, Organist/Pianist; Mick & Tony Susco, Soloists; Parker Shablak, Sound Technician, Shirley Steel, Barista.

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

Sensory toys are available outside of the nursery for children who may wish to use them during worship.

Join us for Fellowship Hour in the Gathering Area before and after today's service. Stop by for fellowship and refreshments.

Announcements

COVID-19 update: Please review these updated COVID-19 provisions and keep in mind as we gather for our worship and ministry:

- Masks are optional in the Sanctuary and Gathering Area, masks are still required in the Nursery and Sunday School spaces.
- Social distancing is enforced in the sanctuary by the use of alternating pews.
- Worship does not include the passing of any materials.

Children's Ministry

Nursery Care is available for infants and children up to 5 years old every Sunday, located next to Room 110. Two Childcare Workers, Monique Watkins and Ingrid Cuadra, provide exceptional care for which we are grateful. Sunday School (children ages 6-12) will resume in September.

Music Ministry

We look forward each Sunday this summer to music from our wonderful soloists. Next Sunday we will have music presented by **Phil Thornbery**, tenor and **Sara Thornbery**, soprano.

Prayer list

Please submit any prayer requests for today's service to Michael before the worship service begins, the submitted requests will be included here next week.

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