

First Presbyterian Church

A More Light Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
126 S. Church St., Bowling Green, OH 43402

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 17, 2022 Easter Sunday 10:00 AM

PRELUDE *Christ The Lord Is Risen Today* Mark Hayes

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING the PEACE

INTROIT HYMN #388 *Come All You People* Uyai Mose
Come all you people, come and praise your Maker; (repeat 3x)
Come now and worship the Lord.

*CALL TO WORSHIP(responsively) Liturgist: Maggie Layne

Leader: Today of all days we will shout, "He is risen!"
People: **He is risen indeed!**
Leader: On this resurrection morning the heavens and earth rejoice!
People: **Again, we announce to the world, He is risen indeed!**
Leader: God is creating a new heaven and a new earth this Easter morning!
People: **This newness comes from Christ for He is risen indeed!**
Leader: Rejoice and be glad!
People: **We are for He is risen indeed!**
Leader: Let our hearts resound with joy! Hallelujah, Christ is risen!
ALL: **He is risen indeed!**

*HYMN #232 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* Easter Hymn

*PRAYER OF ADORATION (Unison)

Glory to You, O God, for You have won victory over death through Your Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ giving us new life and a new way of living. We praise You for bringing us into the Day of Resurrection and we rejoice that Christ has risen over all powers of this earth. We are thankful to follow Him with joy and gladness. Thank you for the Good News that Christ brings to all. By Your Holy Spirit, set our feet in Christ's Holy Way, that our lives might show Your love. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

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*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,
whose grace has pardoned me and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. (3X)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 10:34-43

MOMENT FOR EDUCATION

ANTHEM

Canticle for Easter Day

Patti Drennan

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

SERMON

Where Do We Go From Here?

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) (From: A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to eternal life... In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER ("debts")

OFFERING of OUR TITHES and GIFTS

Offertory *That Easter Day with Joy was Bright* Mark Lachenauer

*Doxology (Unison)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #238 *Thine is the Glory* Judas Maccabeus

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Hallelujah Chorus

*POSTLUDE

Easter Hymn

Elizabeth A. Krouse

*Please stand if you are comfortable standing.

USHERS: Jenny Ludwig and Drew Hanna

IN OUR PRAYERS: All those adversely affected by war, Tom Marcin, Mike Halleck, Lee Liebetreu's family, Dale LaPointe, Mickey Cochrane, Linda Myers, Brenda Fowler, Michelle McDonald, Daisy Boyer, Ann Titus, the PNC, Mary Frances & Bill Moss, the LGBTQIA+ Community, all victims of abuse, racial inequalities, those picking up and trying to recover from surgery.

This is a MORE LIGHT Presbyterian Church!

A "More Light" Presbyterian church welcomes lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender persons to full participation in the life, ministry, and witness of the congregation. We work to expand the inclusiveness of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

. There are no closed doors here.
Christ Welcomes All Here!



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Easter Lilies 2022



James & Evelyn Bachman in memory of their parents.

Bob & Joan Callecod in honor of their family.

Janet DeLong in memory of Gary DeLong.

Susan & Christ Dunn

Wally Fraker & Nettie Rose in memory of Peck & Marti Rose and Don & Virginia Fraker.

Beatrice Guenther in honor of Betty Long, Paul & Marilyn Nusser, and Ann Titus.

Nancy Hess in memory of our parents Jim & Clarabelle Garn.

Dick & Judy Martin in honor of our grandchildren: Ellie, Nate, Kate, & Mason.

Ann Marie & David Montgomery in memory of our parents and in honor of the PNC.

Jim Novotny in memory of Wendy Novotny.

Ellyn Stout in memory of Mary Louise Wright and Marjorie Rose Stout Horne.

Perrysburg Chorale Annual Spring Concert – *Bach, Brahms, Bernstein, and More...*

The concert features choral favorites by master composers including J.S. Bach's *Jesu, Joy*, Mozart's *Ave Verum*, and highlights from Bernstein's *West Side Story*. There is no admission charge. The concerts are on two different dates and places listed below:

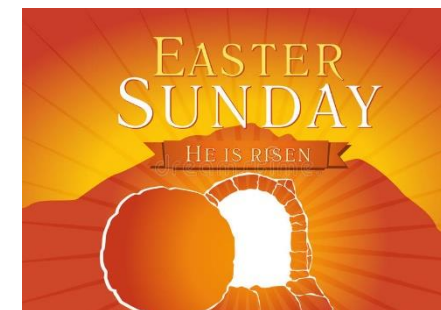
Sunday, April 24th at 3 p.m. at Community of Christ Lutheran Church, 6517 Finzel Rd., Whitehouse, OH and Sunday, **May 1st at 3 p.m.** at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 871 East Boundary St., Perrysburg. *Side note two of our choir members, Nettie Rose and Shirley Brannan perform with this chorale.*

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Thine Is the Glory

1. Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave clothes where the body lay. **Refrain.**
**Refrain: Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.**
2. Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us,
scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting. **Refrain.**
3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life! Life is naught without thee;
aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors though thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. **Refrain.**



Week of April 17 thru April 24

SUNDAY	6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service in the Courtyard
	10:00 a.m. Worship Service
	11:00 a.m. Coffee & Refreshments in the Fellowship Hall
MONDAY	OFFICE IS CLOSED EVERY MONDAY
TUESDAY	1:00 p.m. Tuesday Book Group in the Green Lounge
	5:30 p.m. La Conexion Community Program
	5:30 p.m. Session Meeting in the Gathering Place
	7:00 p.m. Membership Committee Meeting
	8:00 p.m. A.A. in the Fellowship Hall
WEDNESDAY	MAY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
	9:00 a.m. Sorting Clothes in the Deacons' Shop
	12:00 p.m. BULLETIN DEADLINE EVERY WEDS.
	5:30 p.m. Weekly Lectionary Study by Zoom
	7:00 p.m. Trustees' Meeting in the Green Lounge
THURSDAY	9:30 a.m. Deacons' Shop is open to the public (masks required)
	2:30 p.m. Personal Meeting at Drew Hanna's office
	5:30 p.m. La Conexion Community Program
	5:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting in the Staff Conference Rm.
	7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal in the Choir room
SUNDAY	10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Nursery Care is provided during the worship service & Sunday Conversations. Araya Musselman, a sophomore at BGSU, will be taking care of the children and providing a small Sunday School lesson. There will be activities that are provided as well as time to play in the nursery. Snacks will be provided for the children.



Join David Montgomery on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. for the Bible Lectionary Series by Zoom. This week the scripture we will be studying is Revelation 1:4-8.

Presbyterian Women Program in the Park on May 7th. It's been 2 years since PW has been able to plan any events, so we felt it was time to do something about that! PW is planning an afternoon program at Wintergarden Park from 1 – 3 p.m. featuring one of the park's naturalists who will speak about the wildflowers & history of the park. Those interested can all go on a guided walk. We will meet at 1 p.m. in the park's Rotary Nature Center and enjoy some fellowship & afternoon treats as well. Watch for more information to come.



Today we receive the One Great Hour of Sharing Mission Offering - For over 70 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression, the three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing :

- **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**, helping communities recover from natural or human-caused disasters, as well as aiding refugees.
 - **Presbyterian Hunger Program**, giving grants to congregations and organizations addressing food insecurity and other emergency needs.
 - **Self-development of People**, working with low-income communities to overcome oppression and injustice.
- 100% of what we receive is sent to the national office. There are several ways to give one being by writing a check made payable to the church and write OGHS on the memo line; we also offer PayPal & Venmo and you may designate it is for the OGHS as well. Thank you for helping us connect to our neighbors and sharing our valuable resources.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, directed toward people fleeing Ukraine, \$1000. The Mission Committee funds were quickly matched by Presbyterian Women for a total of \$2000. **If you would like to add your donation to this fund**, you can write a check (made out to First Presbyterian Church, with Ukraine in the memo line), or use Paypal or Venmo to make an electronic gift, with a note designating it for Ukraine



LAST CALL FOR THE *Spiritual Formation Retreats*. MVP is offering 2-overnight retreats at Lial Renewal Center, 5908 Davis Rd., Whitehouse OH 43571 (www.lialrenewalcenter.org). **Dates: April 24, 25, & 26; Featuring Guest Potter Mart Nafziger, Brush Creek Potter, Sauder Village along w/ Presbytery Leaders: Rev. Cathy Johnson & Rev. Pam Short. Time: Sunday, April 24 @ 6pm (eat before you arrive) to Tuesday, April 26 @ 1pm. Meals:**

Monday breakfast - Tuesday lunch

This Spring Retreat is open to all! Ruling Elders, Teaching Elders, Friends & Strangers! Basic retreat cost \$25, includes all sessions and meals. Overnight: \$35 per night/per person w/shared bathroom, or \$40 per night/per person for private bath. **Registration via the MVP website: [www:maumeevp.org](http://www.maumeevp.org). If you have questions ask Joyce Kepke (she went to the last Spiritual Formation Presbytery Retreat). Don't let the cost stop you! Scholarship available! Email: matt@maumeevp.org**