

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Souper Bowl of Caring

SILENT MEDITATION

“The lack of access to proper nutrition is not only fueling obesity, it is leading to food insecurity and hunger among our children.”
Tom Vilsack

GREETINGS AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign Attendance Pad)

PRELUDE *The Heavens Resound* L. van Beethoven

INTROIT *Come, Let Us Sing* M.K. Beall

CALL TO WORSHIP Sunday School Youth

L: In the midst of a world where people hunger and thirst . . .

P: come worship a God who feeds the hungry.

L: In the midst of a world where people are abused and oppressed . . .

P: come worship a God who calls for compassion and justice.

L: In the midst of a world filled with wars and rumor of war...

P: come worship a God who desires nothing less than peace for the world.

L: In the midst of a world of spiritual emptiness . . .

P: come worship a God who gives life meaning.

L: Come worship a God whose grace and love know no end.

+*HYMN #314 *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

+*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Gracious God, we thank you for the high calling in Christ Jesus to be your people. We praise you for the privilege of embodying your life of love, forgiveness and justice to the world. We gladly receive the responsibility to be salt and light, knowing that we will often fail to live up to who you have called us to be, but thankful nonetheless for the opportunity to respond to your mercy in our lives. Arouse within us, we pray, such joy in serving you and others, such compassion for the friendless and downcast, and such empathic indignation at the plight of the abused, exploited and stigmatized that we cannot remain silent, will not remain uninvolved and will not accept life as usual. Convict us in our comfort, and inspire us to a new vision of what it means to bear witness to your kingdom and to salt this world with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Announcements

Rose placement: The rosebud placed in the chancel is in celebration of the birth of Jean Williamson's great grandson Grady Groves who was born on February 1st to David and Allison Groves.

"Be Game Day Ready" Today our youth are collecting can goods and donations for "Souper Bowl Sunday" to donate to the Parma Heights Food Bank.

Valentine's Dinner: Saturday, February 11th our New Wilmington Mission Conference Attendees will be hosting a night to remember with a Valentine's Dinner.

Messy Church: Messy Church will begin again on Sunday, February 12th at 4:00 PM. A reminder that there is no coffee hour on Messy Church Sundays!

Sledding Party: Grab your gloves, hat and sled and join us for our Annual Day of Sled Riding on February 19th - weather permitting! The location will be announced during Worship that morning so the safest place can be determined per the weather.

Congregational Meeting: Please join us after the Worship Service on Sunday, February 26th for our annual Congregational Meeting. Everyone is encouraged to stay, read the report, and participate as appropriate. Come find out what has been going on during the year!

Treasurer's Office Hours: Please note that Jan Fritzsche has new hours. Her office hours will be Mon – Wed 12:00 – 5:00 PM, and Friday 12:00 – 5:00 PM. Jan will not have office hours on Thursdays.

“Tidings” is here! For those of you who choose to pick up your copy of the Tidings at church, it is now available in the Narthex, Workroom and the Library for your convenience. Copies also can be found online: www.parma-south.org

Calendar of the Week

Sunday, February 5

10:00 AM – Worship Service

11:00 AM – Coffee Hour – Dining Room

11:00 AM – JuBELLation Choir – Bell Choir Room

Monday, February 6

9:30AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library

7:00 PM – Life Groups – Parlor

7:00 PM – Mission Team - MPR

Tuesday, February 7

8:30AM – Men's Bowling - Brookgate Lanes

4:30 PM – Worship Team – Parlor

6:30 PM – Communications Team - Parlor

7:00 PM – Boy Scouts – Multi-Purpose Room

Wednesday, February 8

9:30AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library

10:00 AM – Life Groups – 2nd Floor Conf. Room

10:30 AM – Al-Anon – MPR

Thursday, February 9

8:30 AM – Men's Bowling – Brookgate Lanes

6:00 PM – Carillon Choir – Bell Choir Room

7:00 PM – Chancel Choir – Sanctuary

7:00 PM – Boy's Basketball practice - Gym

Saturday, February 11

6:00 PM – Valentine's Dinner – Dining Room & Gym
(New Wilmington Mission Conference Fund Raiser)

Sunday, February 12

10:00 AM – Worship Service

11:00 AM – JuBELLation Choir – Bell Choir Room

4:00 PM – Messy Church

CHILDREN'S CHAT

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering Sentence

Offertory *By Faith and Not by Sight* L. Larson

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:13-20

SERMON "Please Pass the Salt"

*HYMN #515 *I Come with Joy*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Communion Litany

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Institution and Reception of Elements

*HYMN #459 *O Word of God Incarnate*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Go, My Children, with My Blessing GTG 547

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone

Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.

In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.

Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

POSTLUDE *As Your Child* B. Orban

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Ushers: Ann Kasner, Carol Werner, Judy Martin,
Kathy Zeitlow, Mali Beyer

The Sanctuary Flowers are placed In Loving Memory of:

Our parents, 3 brothers and 2 sisters

by Dwain and Roseanne Best

The Memorial Carillon is played this week in memory of:

Marilyn Weiss, Phyliss Goode

*Those who are able, please stand

+Appropriate time for the Ushers to seat latecomers

"Please Pass The Salt" February 5, 2017 Matthew 5:13-20 Life Group Study Guide

Notes from Worship Service

1. The most common meaning of "The Law", in the time of Jesus, was the oral and scribal traditions, which were what he and later the Apostle Paul, most often rejected.
2. Can you imagine a religion based on trying to know and keep 800 pages of man-made rules and regulations?
3. The righteousness Jesus speaks about goes beyond the rules and regulations of his day. He brings us back to the great principles or faith. Knowing the will of God and obeying it.
4. Jesus desires our relationships to be motivated by love not laws.
5. No wonder Jesus calls us "salt". We are to flavor the life of others with the love of God.
6. Our challenge is to shine as a Christian community so that others will see what a life of love and faithfulness looks like.

Life Group Homework

1. What insight, principle or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.
2. What rules do you like to live by and where did they come from?
3. What rules of life have you changed over the years? What was the motive for changing them?

Read Matthew 5:13-20

4. What do you think Jesus means by "You are the Salt of the Earth" and "You are the Light of the World?"
5. How do we live by principles of faith without falling into legalism? What is the danger there?
6. How are you reflecting the love of Christ this week?

Life Practice – Read the 10 Commandments each day this week (Deuteronomy 5:1-21). What are the positive values they are asking us to uphold?

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Changing lives through Christ



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Isaiah 40:31

But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

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