

## THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP

### SILENT MEDITATION

There are two kinds of Christians, those who have lost their passion for the Lord, and those who will. We all suffer some periods of spiritual dryness. – Bishop Robert H. Spain

### GREETINGS AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign Attendance Pad)

**PRELUDE** *Allegro molto in F major KV 15v* by W. A. Mozart

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus says, "Come unto me all who are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

**People: We confess that our eyes have strayed from you, Lord. Captivated by enticements of the world, we have fallen victim to possessing things that satisfy us not.**

Leader: Jesus says, "Learn from me, and you will find rest for your souls."

**People: Teach us your ways, O Lord, that our restless souls will find all that you long to instill in us - riches beyond all temporal earthly delights.**

Leader: For in you and through you is the life we seek.

**ALL: Amen.**

+\*HYMN #157 *I Danced in the Morning*

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

+\*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**O Lord, we come before you realizing that without you we are nothing. Until we lay our hearts captive to your word and touch, we remain bound to the temporal things of the flesh that satisfy us not. Take us, renew in us a sense of your living, breathing Spirit, that our souls will find rest. For only as bond slaves to Jesus are we able to possess all that you long to bestow upon us. Indeed your yoke is easy and your burden light. For it is only in you and through you that we are able to accomplish all that you desire. That all honor, glory and praise be yours. Amen.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Reception for Rev. Juengel:** June 21<sup>st</sup> marked the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rev. Mark's ordination. In celebration of this there will be a light reception in the dining room following this morning's worship service. Please join us to recognize this momentous anniversary and to thank Rev. Mark for his years of dedication and service.

**Dedication of New Wilmington Mission Conference Delegates** will take place next Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> during Worship.

**Summer Choir:** Do you love to sing? Come join the Summer Choir! There is no commitment, just show up on Sunday morning down in the choir room at 9:30 a.m. on July 23, 2017 and/or August 13, 2017 to prepare a piece for worship. The songs are simple enough to learn that morning. If you have questions contact Gwen Beyer (440) 886-4152. Come sing with us!

**Cub Scout Pack 263 wants you!** Our church's Cub Pack is looking for new members 7 to 10 years old who want to hike, fish and make new friends. Cub Scouts is a wonderful opportunity to learn and grow.

The Cub Master is Georgia Gordon. If you know a boy who might be interested please contact her at 216-288-0152 or email at Bsapack263parmaheights@gmail.com.

**The City of Parma Heights** is seeking volunteers to serve as "Ambassadors" at the upcoming "Kids in the Commons" event (formerly Weekend in the Commons) on Saturday and Sunday, August 12 and 13, 2017 at the Greenbrier Commons Complex, 6200 Pearl Road, Parma Heights. This would involve greeting people, and helping to direct them from place-to-place in the Commons for the various events planned for the children and families of the Parma Heights community. Hours we are seeking volunteers are from 1-5 p.m., and we are asking individuals to work in one-hour shifts.

This is one way for the church to be visible in our community. If you are willing and interested, there is a volunteer sign-up sheet located on a **Narthex Bulletin Board**.

## CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

### Sunday, July 9

10:00 AM –Worship Service

11:00 AM – Reception for Rev. Mark

### Monday, July 10

9:30AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library

### Tuesday, July 11

9:45 AM – Men's Bowling – Freeway Lanes

6:00 PM – Property Committee - Parlor

### Wednesday, July 12

9:30AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library

10:30 AM – Al-Anon – MPR

11:00 AM – Book Review - Parlor

### Thursday, July 13

11:30 AM – Ladies Bridge - Parlor

### Sunday, July 16

10:00 AM –Worship Service

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**The Memorial Carillon is played this week in memory of**

*George Hennemuth*

*Edward and Abbie Graff*

*Mr. and Mrs. William Yurcheshen*

*Michael Yurcheshen*

**Chancel Flowers are placed in Loving Memory of**

*Kurt LeViseur III* by The LeViseur Family

*All Our Loved Ones*

by Roseanne and Dwain Best

**CHILDREN'S CHAT**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offering Sentence

Offertory *Canticle of Praise* arr. E. Jurey  
Gwen Beyer, Laura Dory, Sharon Gavala, Mary Walker

\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

\***HYMN #526** *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 11:16-19, 25-34 N.T. p. 11

**SERMON** "A Lose – Lose Situation"

\***HYMN #418** *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* #546

Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;  
Let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.  
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.

**POSTLUDE** *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*  
arr. by Victor Labenske

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**Today's Ushers:** Maryellen Bechler, Bill Brown,  
Walt Burgdorf, Norma Fink, Tony Indovina, Donna Loeb,  
Mary Walker

**"A LOSE – LOSE SITUATION"**  
**July 9, 2017 Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**  
**Life Group Study Guide**

**Notes from Worship Service**

1. Ironically, our scripture passage this morning is asking if we are lose-lose Christians. It's asking us if and how we are responding to Jesus and his kingdom gospel.
2. Jesus is actually calling the adult audience immature because they are unwilling to make up their minds about him. It seemed no matter what Jesus said and did the people were not satisfied.
3. Jesus calls us to be faithful, to quit making excuses and follow him. Failing to respond is not an option.
4. There are stories only a child could tell about her parents.
5. Why is responding to Jesus so important? As a son, he is the one who knows and makes known God, the Father, best.
6. The good news is Jesus reveals a refreshing way to live with and love God. And the great promise is he will be with us and supply us with the strength to carry the load.

**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 kind of surveys have you taken? Which ones do you think actually resulted in something good?
3. If you were going to create a spiritual survey how would it look?

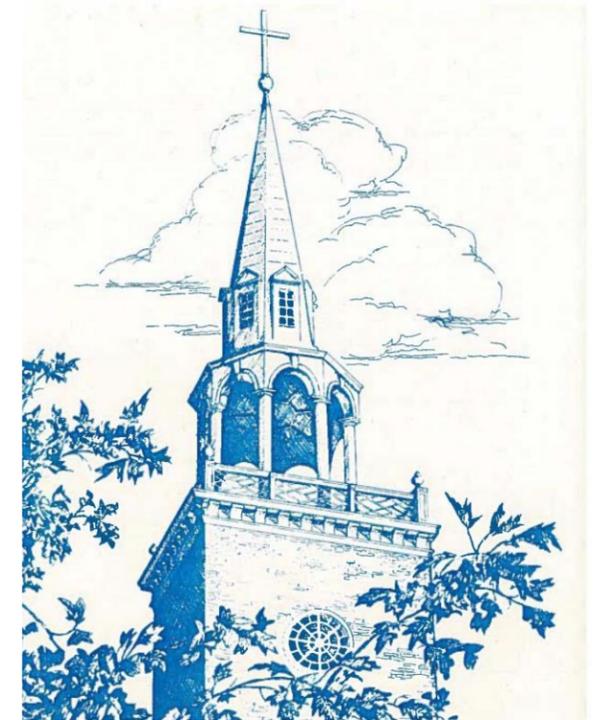
**Read Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

4. What is Jesus being critical of in this passage?
5. What does Jesus mean by "Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."?
6. What are some things Jesus has revealed to you?

**Life Practice:** Throughout your week imagine being "yoked" with Jesus. Note how this changes your view and experience of life.

**Parma-South  
Presbyterian Church**

*Changing lives through Christ*



**July 9, 2017**

**2017 Theme Verse**

"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." – Isaiah 40:31

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\*Those who are able, please stand  
+Appropriate time for the Ushers to seat latecomers