

**The Service of Worship
Sunday, July 23, 2017**

SILENT MEDITATION

The triune God wills that all things have their being and fullness in God, and that all things will ultimately be gathered to God.
(Ephesians 1:10)

GREETINGS AND OPENING PRAYER *Rev. Sheryl Swan*
(Please sign Attendance Pad)

PRELUDE *Midsummer Nocturne* A. Copland

CALL TO WORSHIP Candidate Kate Kolmodin

Leader: Come, let us turn to the Lord,
People: Who has made the world and all that is in it.
Leader: Come, let us give praise to our God.
People: Who acts in love for all humankind.
Leader: Come let us bow down in worship.
People: And proclaim God's love to all generations.

+*HYMN #327 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

+*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Candidate Kate Kolmodin
(*in unison*)

Creator God, we humbly confess that too often we fall short of your intentions for us and of our expectation of ourselves. We would touch the world with goodness, but often we withdraw in anxiety and self-concern. We would touch the world with goodness, but often we withdraw in anxiety and self-concern. We would live with integrity and stand for truth, but we are torn with uncertainties. We would go about our daily tasks with confidence and joy, but find ourselves struggling with self-doubt. We need your presence God if we are to be what we could be and want to be. Let our worship heal us, renew us, strengthen us, that we may go out in joy and be led forth in peace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Candidate Kate Kolmodin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assisting in worship this morning is **Kate Kolmodin**. She is a candidate in the Presbytery of the Western Reserve. Currently she is a student in the hospital chaplain supervisor program at the Cleveland Clinic. Kate plans on being ordained as Minister of Word and Sacrament in the next year. Rev. Sheryl serves as Kate's liaison to the Preparation for Ministry Committee.

Our soloist this morning is **Linda Calhoun Monaco**. Linda served as choir director at Brooklyn Presbyterian Church for more than 25 years. She and her husband Vince, who plays trumpet, are active in music both in churches and in the community.

Joan Stapf Birthday Reception: The congregation is invited to a luncheon in honor of Joan Stapf's 90th birthday. Join Joan and her family in the Dining Room, immediately following the Worship Service.

Reverend Mark is off through August 6th. During his time away, Rev. Sheryl Swan is filling in. If you have any pastoral needs, please contact her at home (440-572-0573) or at the church (440-885-2652).

Office Assistant Employment Posting: Parma-South Presbyterian Church is looking for an Office Assistant to work in the Church office four mornings a week from 9AM until Noon. If you are interested, please contact Bob Schomer at jack.r.schomer@gmail.com for additional information.

Parma Heights Food Pantry: On Saturday, August 5th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM along with the regular produce distribution, there will also be haircuts, school supplies, clothes and shoes for school age children up to twelve years of age. Location: Behind Parma Heights City Hall
Contact: Ann George (440) 842-6491. Volunteers are *always* appreciated!!

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday, July 23 Food Sunday
10:00 AM –Worship Service
11:00 AM – Joan Stapf Birthday Reception –
Dining Room

Monday, July 24
9:30AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library

Tuesday, July 25
9:45 AM – Men's Bowling – Freeway Lanes

Wednesday, July 26
9:30AM – Senior Exercise Class – Library
10:30 AM – Al-Anon – MPR

Thursday, July 27
9:45 AM – Men's Bowling – Freeway Lanes
6:00 PM – Endowment Committee

Sunday, July 30 Sunday
10:00 AM –Worship Service

Today's Ushers: Dwain Best, Darlene and Fred Ells,
Gina Hansen, Jim and Linda Topor
Katherine Koltoff

The Memorial Carillon is played this week in memory of
Pearl Thiele

Chancel Flowers are placed in Loving Memory of
Lillian and John Summa, Sr. by John Summa

Chancel Flowers are placed in Honor and Celebration of
Joan Stapf's 90th Birthday by the Family of Joan Stapf

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Gina Hansen

CHILDREN'S CHAT

Rev. Sheryl Swan

ANTHEM *The Glory Due His Name*

by Shirley Nagel
Linda Calhoun Monaco, *soloist*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Sheryl Swan

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering Sentence

Rev. Sheryl Swan

Offertory *Come, Sing Unto the Lord*

J. Martin

(*Summer Choir*)

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

***HYMN #462** *I Love to Tell the Story*

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 2:1-12

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SERMON "WE ARE FAMILY"

Rev. Sheryl Swan

***HYMN #302** *When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace*
(vs. 1, 4, 5)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Sheryl & Candidate Kate

***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 *A Hymn*

R. Schumann

"WE ARE FAMILY"

JULY 23, 2017 MARK 2:1-12

Life Group Study Guide

Notes from Worship Service

1. Mark 2:1-12 is one of Jesus healing parables in His early ministry.
2. The healing miracle describes the cure of a paralyzed man in response to the faith shown by his friends.
 - a. The severity of the illness is shown by the need of four men carrying him on a pallet
 - b. The request for healing was implied as the men made a hole in the roof and let down the paralyzed man to Jesus.
 - c. The action of Jesus and his word of forgiveness
 - d. Jesus command that the man pick up his mat and walk
3. Those who say they are spiritual but not religious are missing an important part of the Christian faith.

Life Group Homework

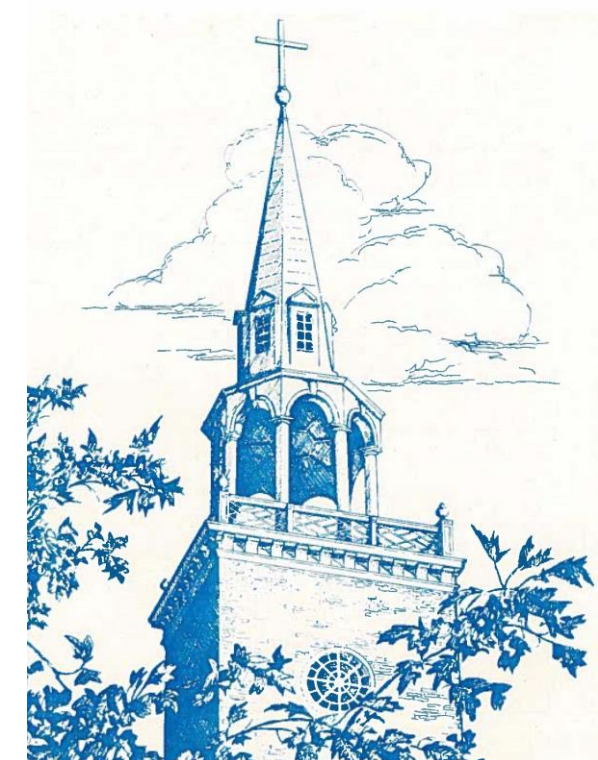
1. What insight, principle or observation from this message did you find to be most helpful or troubling?
2. How would you define spiritual but not religious?
3. What part of church is most important to you?

Read Mark 2:1-12

1. What would you think about the crowd and the religious leaders that were surrounding the house?
2. What do you need today from your church family?

Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Changing lives through Christ



July 16, 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