

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering Sentence

Offertory *A Jubilant Song* M.L. Lighfoot

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #69 *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky*

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 14:19-31 N.T. page 17

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Great Escape"

*HYMN #269 *Lead On, O King Eternal!*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

May the God of Hope God with Us #765

May the God of hope go with us every day;
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
Singing, share our joy with all;
Working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear
Christ's call.

POSTLUDE *Prayer* B. Arokhaty

Today's Ushers: Pat Moncol, Sally Moncol, Ron Shaffer,
Glenn Hess

"THE GREAT ESCAPE"

September 17, 2017 Exodus 14:19-31

Life Group Study Guide

Notes from Worship Service

1. Have we ever felt trapped? The Israelites were feeling trapped, with the sea in front of them and the elite Egyptian army coming fast at their backs.
2. So what do we do as a people of faith when we find ourselves trapped, stuck and wondering what will happen next?
3. One of the first steps of faith is confession.
 - a. It takes faith to admit we are in a mess, we need help, we are in over our heads, we are hurting, we are addicted, we are powerless and we may need forgiveness or to forgive.
 - b. The second part of confession is to confess our faith, that we need and trust God is greater than our circumstances.
4. Sometimes, what we see as being trapped is really a season of waiting and preparation.
5. When we are feeling trapped, more than ever we need to turn to church and for the church to be church.

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. Name some things that our trapping our community today?
3. Describe briefly, how God has led you through the "waters"?

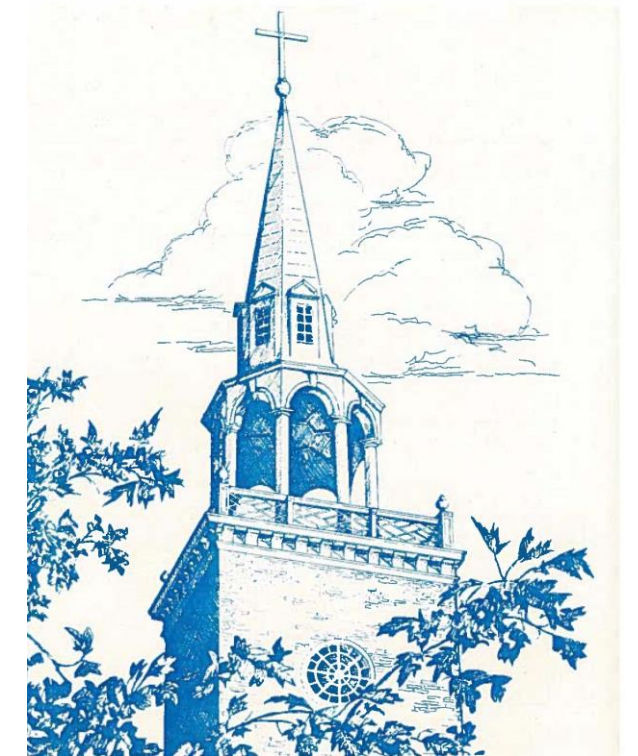
Read Exodus 14:1-31

4. What do you think the Israelites were thinking and feeling as they walked through the sea waters? Why is this an important story for the faith community?
5. What do we do when we feel trapped, overwhelmed, beset by problems beyond us?
6. What period of life are you in now; One of Waiting, Watching or moving Forward? How so?

Life Practice: Think and pray about some ways your Life Group can "Be Church".

Parma-South Presbyterian Church

Changing lives through Christ



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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