

Order for the Worship of God

Welcome & Announcements

GATHERING

Welcome

from Psalm 66:8,20

L Bless our God, everyone around the earth!

C Let the sound of praise be heard everywhere!

L Blessed is God, who hears our prayers,

C Whose steadfast love endures forever.

Prayer

*Opening Hymn (Blue #106)

"Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks"

Worship from the Psalms

(Psalm 66:8-20 ESV)

L Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard,

C who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.

L For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.

C You brought us into the net; you laid a crushing burden on our backs.

L You let men ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water;

C Yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.

L I will come into your house with burnt offerings; I will perform my vows to you,

C All that which my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

L I will offer to you burnt offerings of fattened animals, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams;

C I will make an offering of bulls and goats.

L Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

C I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue.

L If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

C But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

A Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we pray that you will give us strength to resist temptation in our lives, and we pray that you will remind us to love one another as You have loved us. We confess that we have failed to follow your commandments, failed to love one another, and put our priorities and our emotions in front of You. Please have mercy upon us. Reorient our lives, so our passions align with yours. Soften our hearts, so we can love each other fully. Turn our attention toward your universal call to follow You. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Please take a moment and offer your silent personal confessions to God ...

Silent Prayers of Confessions

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayers for Illumination

Special Music

"A Royal Priesthood"

Sermon Text Reading

Acts 17:22-31 (ESV), p. 1101-1102

1 Peter 2:1-10 (ESV), p. 1204

Message

Bruce Brown

Prayer of Affirmation

CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

VANCREST: Dollie Smith

BEACHWOOD: Connie Cobb

ALPINE VILLAGE: Sandy Johnson

PRAYER LIST: Gene & Carol Detmer, Julie Fogle, Sandee Scheweter, Kathy Schilens (Jana Schroeder's sister), Enoch Vásquez (Olga Hall's father) and his family, Jacob Clegg (Brenda Stough's friend), Betty Sladek (Ed Sladek's Wife)

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn (Blue #376)

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are responsive. When you hear the leader say:

God of our salvation

Please respond,

Answer us with grace.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation.

But deliver us from evil.

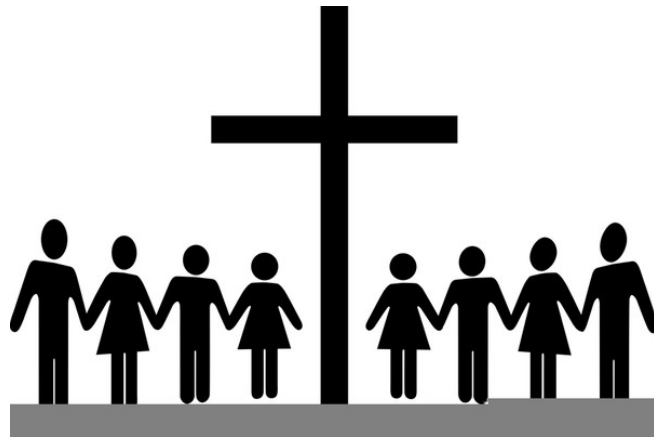
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN

SENDING OUT

*Closing Hymn (Red #489)

"Christ for the World We Sing"

*Blessing and Benediction



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A Royal Priesthood
1 Peter 2 Worship Song (with Lyrics)
@StephenKnightMusic

This song is inspired by 1 Peter 2, reminding us of our true identity in Christ: "You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession" (1 Peter 2:9). As believers, we are being built into a spiritual house, called to live as a holy priesthood unto our God.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tswuiv0-3FM>

Now that you have tasted
That the Lord is good
Like newborn babies,
Crave pure spiritual milk
So that you can grow
Into the fullness of your salvation.

You are God's chosen people
A royal priesthood
A people belonging to Him.
He called you out of darkness
Into His wonderful light
So that you could declare His praises.

Like living stones
You are being built
Into a spiritual house
To be a holy priesthood
Offering spiritual sacrifices
That please God
Through Jesus Christ.

Welcome to our Worship!

We are glad to have you with us today. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. Everyone is welcome for refreshments and fellowship after worship. Thank you, Dan Badenhop, for being liturgist today.

Our **offering** is received on the back table in the sanctuary.

You can give online using the **QR code** or donate from our **website**.

Please volunteer to be **liturgist** or **bring cookies**.

Signups are on the table in the south alcove.



The May/June copies of **The Upper Room** are on the back table. If you know someone who would like a copy, please take one to them.

Connections Bible Study meets on May 24th. They are studying *Respectable Sins: Confronting the Sins We Tolerate* by Jerry Bridges. Please talk with Patricia for a book.

The **NW MVP Pastors** are meeting here for lunch on Wednesday, May 13th at noon.

Session meets on Monday, May 18th at 4:00 p.m.

Our **Friendship Meal** meets at Hill's on Tuesday, May 19th at 11:00 a.m.

Maumee Valley Presbytery meets on Tuesday, May 19th at 3:00 p.m. in Findlay.

Connect to the Community meets at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 28th at 4:00 p.m.

The **Community Picnic and Concert** is on June 7th starting at 5:30 p.m.

The **227th General Assembly of the PC(USA)** meets from Monday, June 22nd to Thursday, July 2nd. If there is any news that is important for our congregation, I will pass it on.