

First Sunday in Lent



First Presbyterian Church Bucyrus, Ohio

March 9, 2025
Worship Service 10:30 AM

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Exalting Christ. Denying Ourselves.
Loving Our Neighbors.

Service of the Word and Sacrament

Sunday, March 9, 2025 10:30AM

Please use time before the service for prayer and reflection.

Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.

Please turn off all cell phones.

**Welcome
Prelude**

Announcements and Concerns

***Call to Worship** (Responsive)

To you, O God, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust.

Make us to know your ways, O God; teach us your paths.

Lead us in your truth, and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.

***Prayer of Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise**

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (verses 1-3)

#257

***Prayer of Confession** (Unison)

Most merciful God, whose son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness. We have hungered after that which does not satisfy. We have compromised with evil. We have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith. Have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Gloria Patri**

#961

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world with-out end. Amen, Amen

***Sharing of the Peace**

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (Debt/debtors)

Commitment through Giving

Offertory

Response

“Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow”

#965

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication** (Unison)

Mighty God and Father, you overwhelm us with your great mercy. At the time of our greatest need you surprised us with your wondrous love. Jesus offered his life for us to remove our dreadful curse. As you draw into this renewing relationship of love, may we respond with gratitude as we offer the substance of our souls to continue the ministry of Christ. For his name and glory we pray and present our gifts. Amen!

Message

Old Testament
New Testament

“Gifts of the Spirit – Prophecy (part 2)”

Joel 2:28-32
Romans 12:4-8
Acts 5:1-11
Acts 6:1-10
Acts 21:8-15

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***Closing Hymn**

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again” (without chorus)

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***Benediction**

Postlude

Prayer Requests

Keep the Pastor Search Committee in your prayers. Please pray for wisdom and discernment.

Shut-Ins:

Phyllis Reed residing at Kingston Residence in Marion, 464 James Way, MC 28, Marion, Ohio 43302.

Joe Ann Johns is currently in Altercare, 1929 Whetstone Street, room 411. Prayers & cards are greatly appreciated.

Chet Johnston cards can be sent to Altercare, Room 108. He would appreciate visitors.

Mary Lou Hastings, Sue Headley

Cancer

Marcia Dishon, prayers needed as she receives chemotherapy

Annette Cheney, a friend of Kathy Bardon

Amanda Compton, Lori Rager's step-daughter

Surgery

Tami Robinson, healing from cataract surgery

Abigail Sutherland, for upcoming procedures, Dishon's granddaughter

Members, Family and Friends of Members:

Kathy Hildebrand, Courtney's Mother

Judy Eichhorn, prayers while Judy lives with chronic pain

Dan Price, Parkinson's

Lou Ross, Lori Rager's Dad, Dementia

Whitney Hildebrand, Courtney Posey's sister

Mike McKee, Heart problem, Jenny McKee, torn retina, friends of Kathy Bardon

Becky Bellamy, Parkinson's, sister of Kathy Bardon

Military:

Keagan Rios, Gennie Rios grandson

Levi Diebler, member and Carrie Diebler's son

Grayson Robinson, Tami Robinson's grandnephew

Announcements

Attendance last Sunday was 40.

Adult Education Class Marcia Stout and Jake Ritzhaupt are presenting a special, 9-week, Adult Sunday School Class that starts, February 16 & will run through Palm Sunday, April 13 at 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, reading, *The Passion of the Christ, Fifty Reasons Why Jesus Came to Die* by John Piper.

Gamma Delta will meet on March 20th @ La Fragua, corner of 330 & 231, at 12:30 PM.

Gateway invitation Mission Trip - This is Ed Grable with Gateway Church. Greetings from our North Main Campus. I wanted to invite you and your faith family at Bucyrus to join us on an upcoming mission trip to Hazard, Kentucky. We will be taking a team down August 3-8, 2025. We partner with Reach Global Crisis Response.

Please join us after worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month to pray for our Pastor Search Committee and for the person God is preparing to be our next earthly shepherd.

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. Mark 11:24

This Week

Sunday, March 9	10:30 AM Worship Service
Wednesday, March 12	2:30 PM Table Toppers
	6:15 PM Deacons meeting
Friday, March 14	7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Liturgist & Worship Leader: Tom Britton

Greeters: Carrie Diebler

Special Services for the Easter Season

Ash Wednesday - March 5 @ 6:30 PM
Palm Sunday - April 14 @ 10:30 AM
Maundy Thursday - April 17 @ 6:30 PM
Good Friday - April 18 @ 6:30 PM
Easter Sunday - April 20 @ 10:30



Easter Flowers

2025 Easter Flowers Order Form

This year we will be purchasing Easter flowers from Flowers and Fancies. Flowers available are Easter lilies, tulips, and hyacinths. You may choose the color of hyacinths.

Orders must be in by Sunday, March 16.

Checks should be made out to the church and payment is appreciated with your order.

If you have any questions, please call me at 419-561-0263.

Thank you! Jan Fulton

Name _____

Phone _____

Qty _____ Easter lily (\$13.00) \$ _____

Qty _____ Tulips Mix colors (\$11.00) \$ _____

Qty _____ Hyacinths (\$11.00) \$ _____

Hyacinths:

Purple # _____ Pink # _____ White # _____

Order Total \$ _____

In Memory of:

In Honor of:

I will take my flowers home _____

Please give to a shut-in _____