

MOUNT GRETNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Sunday, March 19, 2023  
Fourth Sunday in Lent

\* \* \* ORDER OF WORSHIP \* \* \*

WELCOME & PARISH NOTES

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are blind to many things.

**LORD, CURE OUR BLINDNESS.**

The light of God shines for us today.

**LORD, POUR YOUR LIGHT ON US.**

Come, worship God who forgives and heals your blindness.

**OPEN OUR EYES, O LORD, THAT WE MIGHT SEE  
OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE YOU. AMEN.**

INVOCATION

OPENING HYMN\* #454 UMH  
*"Open My Eyes, That I May See"*

CHILDREN'S CHOIR+ *"Praise Him, Praise Him."*  
(children are dismissed to Sunday School)

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY\* #95 UMH  
*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\*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH\* #883 UMH  
*"Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada"*

THE GLORIA PATRI\*  
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 without end. Amen. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING John 9:1-41  
Pg. 1631

SERMON Come to the Light

HYMN\* #349 UMH  
*"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" (x2)*

PASTORAL PRAYER  
The Lord's Prayer (Using Trespasses) pg.895 UMH

CLOSING HYMN\* #347 UMH  
*"Spirit Song"*

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING\*

SONG RESPONSE\* #473 UMH  
*"Lead Me Lord"*

POSTLUDE\*

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(\*)= Please stand if able  
(+)= 10AM Service Only  
UMH= United Methodist Hymnal

*The pink insert to your bulletin is there for you to share any joys or concerns you may have for our prayer time this morning. Please hand the slip to an usher as the offering is received and they will bring your request to the pastor to be shared and added to our prayer chain. If you are a visitor with us and would like to share any information, please use the other side of the insert.*

Average Needed \$5,495.27 Per Week  
 Average Received \$4,037.65 Per Week  
 Last Sunday \$3,606.53 Last Week

# Mount Gretna United Methodist Church

*“A church for all seasons and all people”*

+++++ **ANNOUNCEMENTS** +++++

<b>March 20</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Admin Council</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
<b>March 22</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Lenten Book Study</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>
<b>March 29</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Lenten Service</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
<b>March 30</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Easter Egg Dye</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>
<b>April 1</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Easter Egg Hunt</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>

**Flowers**

Flowers this week are presented by Carolyn & Steve Burns in honor of their granddaughter, Aliciana, on her birthday.

**Easter Egg Dye**

The church and community are invited to Mt Gretna UMC on Thursday March 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM to help color hardboiled eggs for the community Easter Egg Hunt. This is a

**Easter Egg Hunt**

Our Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday April 1. This year we are looking for volunteers and donations of candy. Please contact Carolyn or Jay in the office if able. Right now we do not need plastic eggs. The egg hunt will be at 11 AM at the Chautauqua playground.

**Camp Donations**

We will once again start collecting for camp scholarships. Please mark your donations Camp Fund. There is a basket in the back for cash donations. To date we have raised \$325.00. Please consider donating to send our youth to camp.

**Flowers**

Reminder to submit payment for your altar flowers as well as your Easter flower orders.



**Our Mission is ...**

- to know Christ and make him known.
- to help people become—and grow as—followers of Christ.
- to relieve suffering, in our community and beyond, through our members’ ministries.

Ministers: All Members  
 Pastor: Michael Remel  
 Pastor in Prison Ministry: Marilyn Nolte  
 Lay Leader: Dave Garver

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