

MOUNT GRETNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday April 6, 2025 | 5th Sunday in Lent
* * * ORDER OF WORSHIP * * *

WE GATHER

WELCOME & PARISH NOTES

PRELUDE

+The children are dismissed to Sunday School

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE We come to worship because we long for mercy.

**ALL: We long for community.
We long for God.**

ONE: We come to worship because we need a good word.

**ALL: We need connection.
We need moral reminders.**

ONE: We come to worship because we are in between:

**ALL: hope and grief,
faith and doubt,
joy and longing,
curiosity and conviction.**

ONE: So we come to worship and God meets us here.

**ALL: Surely, we are not alone. Thanks be to God for meeting
us in the middle! Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN** "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" #121 UMH
Pink Insert Collected

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL READING Luke 19:1-10 Pg.1598

LEADER: The Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Everything In Between: Righteousness & Mercy*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE RESPOND

COMMUNION: CONFESSION AND PARDON

INSERT

***HYMN** "Just As I Am" #357 UMH
*+The children return to worship to receive communion with their
families*

OFFERING

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pg 12-14

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer (Using Trespasses)
Giving the Bread and the Cup
Prayer following Communion

WE GO FORTH

***CLOSING HYMN** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #526 UMH

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG RESPONSE** "Jesus Remember Me" #488 UMH

***POSTLUDE**

(*)= Please stand if able

(+)= 10:00 AM 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 during
the Opening Hymn and they will bring your request to the pastor to be shared and
added to our prayer chain. If you are visiting with us and would like to share any
information, please use the other side of the insert.*

Greeters

Tom Maurer & Louise Rynd

Flowers:

Today's flowers are in honor of Carolyn Burns' birthday.

+++++ANNOUNCEMENTS+++++

Sunday	April 6 th	Lenten Bible Study	11:15 AM Fellowship Hall
Tues.	April 8 th	Acts Bible Study	10 AM Library
Tues.	April 8 th	Finance Committee Adm Council	6:00 PM 7:00 PM
Wed.	April 9 th	Lenten Service	7:00 PM Rocherty UMC
Sat.	April 12 th	Easter Egg Hunt	11 AM Chautauqua
Wed.	April 16 th	Gathering Place	Noon

Camp Scholarships:

During the season of Lent, we will be collecting Camp Scholarships. We have a member that has generously offered to meet any donations up to \$1,000. So far we have collected \$425.00.

HOLY WEEK, EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

Please note that MGUMC will have only the 10 a.m. service on Palm Sunday (April 13), and we will be observing Palm/Passion Sunday.

We will hold a Maundy Thursday service at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall on Thursday, April 17. On this night, Christians commemorate the supper Jesus shared with his disciples before his crucifixion, when Jesus washed the disciples' feet and instituted the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. We will have a simple meal followed by a service with hand washing and Communion.

This year's Ecumenical Service will be at 7 p.m. on Good Friday, April 18, at MGUMC. This will be a service of Tenebrae. Based on a 12th century, late night/early morning service, a service of Tenebrae is an extended meditation on the passion of Christ. Our Sunday School teachers are planning an activity for children during the service.

Join us to celebrate Easter Sunday beginning at 7:00 a.m. in the Tabernacle for our annual SonRise Service! Then at 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., as we continue our joyful celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus!

Coins:

Remember to bring your coins for UMCOR on Easter Sunday.

Mount Gretna United Methodist Church

*"A church for all seasons
and ALL people"*



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.

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Pastor: Andrea Haldeman

Pastor in Prison Ministry: Marilyn Nolte

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