## MOUNT GRETNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday, March 30, 2025 | 3rd Sunday in Lent

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

#### **WE GATHER**

## WELCOME & PARISH NOTES PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Worship is a place to rest.

We breathe deeply here.

We still our aching bones.

We sit in the quiet.

We surround ourselves with music.

Worship is a place to rest.

Worship is a place to grow.

We listen for God's word.

We invite it to challenge us.

We lean in with curiosity.

We ask questions.

Worship is a place to grow.

So come into this space.

Come rest and grow here.

For where two or more are gathered,

God is always there.

Let us worship our gracious God.

\*OPENING HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth" v.1-4 #92 UMH Pink Insert Collected

**CONFESSION & PARDON** 

**INSERT** 

#### **WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**+CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** (Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

**GOSPEL READING** 

Luke 13:1-9

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

**ALL: Thanks be to God!** 

SERMON

Everything In Between: Rest and Growth

#### **WE RESPOND**

**HYMN** 

"Spirit of the Living God"

#393 UMH

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**, concluding with unison Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

#### **OFFERING**

#### \*DOXOLOGY

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

#### WE GO FORTH

\*CLOSING HYMN

"Hymn of Promise"

#707 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:**

Weismantel Family

#### **Flowers:**

Today's flowers are from Nancy Bowman for her son, Brad's, birthday.

#### +++++ANNOUNCEMENTS++++++

Sunday	March 30th	Lenten Bible Study	11:15 AM Fellowship Hall
Tues.	April 1st	Acts Bible Study	10 AM Library
Tues.	April 1st	Wet'n Wacky/VBS Meeting	6:30 PM Ebenezer Rm.
Wed.	April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lenten Service	7:00 PM Grace UCC
Sunday	April 6 <sup>th</sup>	Communion/Food Bank	

#### **LENT 2025**

### EVERYTHING [IN] BETWEEN LENTEN STUDY

Please join us after 10 a.m. service to continue exploration of how we can navigate our polarized world together. Each week, we will focus on one of the above themes and consider what it means, how it resonates in our lives and where it leads us. If you are interested in gathering to learn, study and forge connections, let the office know, so we can plan a light lunch.

#### **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.

#### Easter Eggs:

There are bags with empty plastic eggs in the foyer. We are asking for volunteers to take a bag or two or three to fill the eggs with individually wrapped candy and return them. The egg hunt is April  $12^{th}$  at 11:00 a.m. in the Chautauqua playground. We also welcome volunteers to staff the egg hunt from 9:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m. If you are interested, please sign your name on the volunteer sheet. The rain date is the following Saturday, April  $19^{th}$  at 11:00 a.m.

#### Wet'n Wacky/VBS Planning Meeting

We are having an organizational meeting on Tuesday, April 1(this is not an April Fools joke) at 6:30pm in the Ebenezer Room. If you are interested in helping, we hope you will join us! The meeting will begin promptly at 6:30 pm and end at 7:30pm. If you are interested, but not able to attend, or have any questions, please reach out to Marcie Lloyd or Pastor Andrea.

# Mount Gretna United Methodist Church

## "A church for all seasons and <u>ALL</u> 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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