

MOUNT GRETNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday, May 4, 2025 | 3rd Sunday of Easter | Communion
* * * ORDER OF WORSHIP * * *

WE GATHER

WELCOME & PARISH NOTES

PRELUDE

+The children are dismissed to Sunday School

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE: God, you call us from the corners of the Earth.

ALL: From the cities and the prairies, from the ghettos and the tables of the wealthy.

ONE: God, you sing to us from the corners of the universe.

ALL: In the gentle ocean breeze, in the colors that burst forth from our landscapes, in the faces of children ravaged by war.

ONE: God, you speak to us from the corners of the Earth.

ALL: To the east, to the west, to the north and to the south, above us, below us, and within us, your voice rings clear. Send your voice to sing in us, we pray, as we worship this day.

Written by Sally Johnson, United Methodist Creation Justice Movement

***OPENING HYMN** *"Morning Has Broken"* #145 UMH
Pink Insert Collected

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

GOSPEL READING John 21:1-19 Pg.1653

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

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Believing Into Christ: Feed My Sheep*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE RESPOND

COMMUNION: CONFESSION AND PARDON #12 UMH

***HYMN** *"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"* #344 UMH
+The children return to worship to receive communion with their families

OFFERING

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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

WE GO FORTH

***CLOSING HYMN** *"Lord of the Dance"* #261 UMH

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG RESPONSE** *"He Is Lord"*(x2) #177 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:

Louise Rynd & Tom Maurer

Flowers:

Today's flowers are to celebrate Christie Reistad's birthday.
Happy birthday.

++++++ANNOUNCEMENTS++++++

Tues.	May 6 th	Bible Study	10 AM Library
Wednesday	May 14 th	Adm Council	7 PM Ebenezer RM
Saturday	May 24 th	Porch Sale	

Thank you to all who made our Coins for UMCOR a success. We collected \$3,276.57. WOW!!

Porch Sale: The next event coming up is the porch sale. We will be accepting donations beginning May 12th. There will be tables set up in the fellowship hall for you to place them on. In the Foyer is a sign-up sheet for volunteers and baked goods. We are in need of small boxes.

Pastor Andrea's Sabbath & Office Hours –Week of May 5th

Monday, May 5th – Sabbath (Out of Office)

Tuesday, May 6th – In Office – 9:00 am-10:00 am

Bible Study – 10:00 am – 11:00 am

In Office – 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Wednesday, May 7th – Out of the Office, attending a Workshop

Friday, May 8th – In Office: 9:15 am – 12:00 pm

Pastor Andrea is available to meet during her office hours or at other times by appointment. Her Sabbath is generally Saturdays and Mondays. She is always available for pastoral emergencies and hospitalizations, so please contact her for a health emergency or a death in the family. Beginning on Tuesday, she will return your call or email for non-emergent issues.

Church of the Wild – Adult Discipleship Sunday Offerings

Sundays, May 11th and 18th: Join us in the Ebenezer Room at 9 am as we discuss *Church in the Wild: How Nature Invites Us into the Sacred*. We will accept Victoria Looz's invitation to center worship and practice in the natural world. Books are available in the office for a donation of \$10.

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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