

MOUNT GRETNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday, June 1, 2025 | 7th Sunday of Easter and
Ascension of the Lord | Communion
* * * ORDER OF WORSHIP * * *

WE GATHER

WELCOME & PARISH NOTES

PRELUDE

+The children are dismissed to Sunday School

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

ONE: The roots of the Tree of Life run deep into the sacred soil.

ALL: The limbs of the Tree of Life reach out to embrace the goodness of all creation.

ONE: The trunk of the Tree of Life stands strong in the face of hatred and malice toward the least, the lonely, the left out.

ALL: The branches of the Tree of Life struggle toward the heavens, hoping to bring about God's reign of justice and love for all.

ONE: The winds of the Spirit breathe through the Tree of Life, bringing renewal and hope.

ALL: May our worship this day be a worthy offering that supports the Tree of Life and brings the goodness of the Sacred to our world.

Written by Sally Johnson, United Methodist Creation Justice Movement

***OPENING HYMN** "Crown Him With Many Crowns" #327 UMH/#45 TB
Pink Insert Collected

OPENING PRAYER: Gracious Creator, you invite us into relationship with every breath. Settle us, center us, and calm us to the ever-moving flowing of your Spirit calling us to become one with you. We pray in humility and hope of grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

EPISTLE READINGS Acts 1:1-11 pg. 1655
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 pg.1893

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

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Believing Into Christ: Becoming One*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE RESPOND

COMMUNION: CONFESSION AND PARDON

INSERT

***HYMN** "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" #348 UMH / #479 TB
+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** "Now Let Us from this Table Rise" #634UMH/INSERT

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG RESPONSE** "He Is Lord" (x2) #177UMH/#34 TB

***POSTLUDE**

(*)= Please stand if able
(+)= 10:00 AM Service Only
UMH= United Methodist Hymnal
TB =Tabernacle 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.

Thanks to Rev. David & Rev. Melissa Madara for participating in our services this morning!

Greeters:

Louise Rynd & Tom Maurer

Flowers:

Today's flowers are to celebrate Greg Pappariella's daughter Beth for her birthday.

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

Sunday	June 1 st	Jess Zimmerman	7 PM Tabernacle
Tues.	June 3 rd	Acts Bible Study	10 AM Library
Wed.	June 8 th	Organ Recital Shawn Gingrich	7 PM
Friday	June 13 th	Leap of Faith Documentary	2 PM
Friday	June 13 th	"Discipleship Dilemmas" Bishop Cynthia Moore- Koikoi	7:00 PM Tabernacle

Thanks to all who made the sale on Saturday a success.
We raised more than \$2,000 for Jubilee Camp Scholarships.

Graduates:

On June 8th we would like to honor all graduates from any program. Please email us the name and school that they graduated from and their next steps.
mgumc@verizon.net

Help Needed:

As we move to the Tabernacle for the summer, Don Bowman would like volunteers to help set up at 9:30 and or tear down after service. This involves moving the podium, chairs, lights and a few other items. Please contact Don at 717-466-1089 or email him at dbowman7@comcast.net.

Pastor Andrea's Sabbath & Office Hours –Week of June 2nd

Monday, June 2nd – Sabbath (Out of Office)

Tuesday, June 3rd – In Office – 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study – 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
In Office – 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Wednesday, June 4th – Out of Office

Thursday, June 5th – In Office – 9:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Friday, June 6th – In Office – 9:15 - Noon

Saturday, June 7th – Sabbath (Out of Office)

Pastor Andrea is available to meet during her office hours or at other times by appointment. Her Sabbath is 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. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Pastor Andrea or call the office.

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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