

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

## WE GATHER

### WELCOME AND PARISH NOTES

### PRELUDE

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Unless you, O Divine Creator, build the house, those who build it labor in vain.

**ALL: Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchers stay awake in vain.**

ONE: For it is in co-operating with you from morn to evening, eating the bread of Life and Grace,

**ALL: that we rest in peace throughout the night.**

ONE: Reverence the sacred gift of life that nourishes all.

**ALL: Who will grow in wisdom, abandoning themselves into the Chalice of Love?**

ONE: Who will open themselves to the imprint of Love's gifts upon their hearts?

**ALL: O Divine Spirit, make your home within us so that we no longer wander through life in vain. May it be so!**

[Based on Psalm 127 as translated by Nan C. Merrill, *Psalms for Praying: An Invitation To Wholeness*]

**\*OPENING HYMN** "How Firm a Foundation" #529  
*Pink Insert Collected*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** INSERT

### PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you, always.  
**And also with you.**

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

**GOSPEL LESSON** Mark 4:35-41 (The Voice) Pg.1529

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

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON** *Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sleeping*

## WE RESPOND

**HYMN** "Be Still, My Soul" #534

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE: Saving God, **we surrender all to you.**  
Concluding with unison Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

### CALL TO ACTION

### 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** "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" INSERT

#### \*BENEDICTION

**\*SONG RESPONSE** "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" #176

#### \*POSTLUDE

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(\*)= Please stand if able | (+)= 10:00 AM Service Only

*The pink insert in 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; they will deliver your request to the pastor for sharing and inclusion in our prayer chain. If you are visiting with us and would like to share any information, please use the other side of the insert.*

### **Flowers:**

Today's flowers are presented by Christie Reistad in memory of her husband, Arne.

### **Greeters:**

Zeuch Family

### **++++++ANNOUNCEMENTS++++++**

|           |                        |                                 |                             |
|-----------|------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sunday    | Sept. 27 <sup>th</sup> | Freedom Singers                 | 3:00 PM<br>Sanctuary        |
| Sunday    | Sept. 27 <sup>th</sup> | Disciple Bible Study            | 6:00 PM<br>Ebenezer Room    |
| Sunday    | Sept. 27 <sup>th</sup> | Choir Rehearsal                 | 11:15 AM<br>Sanctuary       |
| Tuesday   | Sept. 29 <sup>th</sup> | Acts Bible Study                | 10:00 AM<br>Library         |
| Thursday  | Oct. 1 <sup>st</sup>   | Endowment Committee             | 6:30 PM<br>Ebenezer Room    |
| Sunday    | Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup>   | Food Bank                       |                             |
| Wednesday | Oct. 7 <sup>th</sup>   | SPRC                            | 6-8 PM<br>Ebenezer Room     |
| Saturday  | Oct. 10 <sup>th</sup>  | Pet Blessing                    | 2:00 PM<br>Tabernacle       |
| Sunday    | Oct. 11 <sup>th</sup>  | World Communion Sunday          |                             |
| Sunday    | Oct. 11 <sup>th</sup>  | Children's Choir<br>Pizza Party | 11:30 AM<br>Fellowship Hall |

### **Singing for Peace and Justice:**

This afternoon at 3 PM there will be Singing for Peace and Justice held in the Sanctuary. All are welcome. You do not need to be able to sing.

### **Disciple Bible Study:**

**Becoming Disciples Through Bible Study - Sunday, September 20th at 6:00 p.m.**

Join Lay Leader, Dan Deitzel and Pastor Andrea in a survey of the New Testament starting today Sunday, September 20th at 6:00 p.m. based on the well-known Disciple curriculum. Participants will explore the Bible through daily readings, watching commentaries by noted Biblical scholars, and group discussions. Weekly sessions will last about 75 minutes and will be offered in a hybrid format—both in person, in the Ebenezer Room, and on Zoom. You are invited to prayerfully consider taking the next step in your faith journey by joining Disciples Bible Study. Please advise the office if you plan to participate! If you have any questions, or want to learn more, you are welcome to contact Pastor Andrea.

# **Mount Gretna United Methodist Church**

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



## **Our Vision 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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