

Parma Greece United Church of Christ

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*"No matter who you are, no matter where you are in life's journey,
you are welcome at Parma Greece UCC!"*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY All Saints

November 1, 2015

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

The Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Word of Greeting and Announcements

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Musical Meditation

Call to Worship

Liturgist: See how God loves us!

People: God loves us enough to swallow up death forever.

Liturgist: See how Christ loves us!

People: Christ loves us enough to share our loss and grief.

Liturgist: See how the Spirit loves us!

**People: The Holy Spirit loves us enough to offer us words
of hope we can trust.**

***The Hymn**

"Give Thanks For Life"

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*The Call to Confession

Liturgist: **God has promised to make of us a new creation,
laying to rest the former things, making all things
new. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.**

***The Prayer of Confession-Unison**

Almighty Lord and God, in Jesus Christ you came from heaven to dwell among us, calling us to be your faithful people. Yet we remain shrouded in sin—

we hurt and disgrace ourselves;
we abuse and destroy one another;
we dishonor your holy name.

Forgive us; unbind us and let us go so that we may stand among your saints, rejoicing in your saving grace, through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen

***Words of Assurance and Pardon**

Liturgist: Hear the Good News. The one who is seated on the throne says: See, I am making all things new. And now it is finished! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Liturgist: O Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouths shall show forth Your praise.

***An Act of Praise** "The Gloria In Excelsis See Insert

A Time With Young Christians

Child of God, your loving parent, learn to know whose child you are.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.

The Collect - Unison

Almighty God, Your word is life and Your promise is trustworthy and true. By the power of Your Holy Spirit write Your word upon our hearts so that we may be Your new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Reading of God's Word

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| Isaiah 25:6-9 | Page 652 |
| Revelation 21:1-6b | Page 259 |

Liturgist: For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Liturgist: The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to St. John

People: **Glory to You, O Lord**

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| John 11:22-44 | Page 104 |
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Liturgist: The Gospel of our Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

The Anthem "Great is the Lord"

The Homily "*Jesus Wept*"

***The Hymn** "For All the Saints" #299

Commemoration of the Departed

Liturgist: Blessed be God: Father, Son, Holy Spirit!

People: **Amen.**

Liturgist: All the rhythms of time beat in God's great heart:
the time to be born and the time to die.

People: **the time to plant and the time to harvest,**
the time to laugh and the time to weep.

Liturgist: All seasons of life are beautiful in their time.

People: **All seasons provide occasions for God's mercy.**

Liturgist: Blessed then are the dead who die in Christ from
henceforth,

People: that they may rest from their labors, for their works shall follow them.

Liturgist: God has tested them and found them worthy.

The Reading of the Names

The Morning Prayer

The Call to Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Silent Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer Response

The Offertory

***The Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

***The Prayer of Dedication - Unison**

**Loving God, we present to You our gifts.
We pray that You might bless them and us as we praise
You with our voice and with our lives. Amen.**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation

Liturgist: We gather around this holy table at the invitation of our God and in communion with generations past and generations yet unborn. We come in praise of God, always and forever. We have been made holy in Christ.

People: At this table, we are mindful of the virtuous and godly living of saints that have become an inspiration for us. Through them may we come to know the inexpressible joys God prepares for those who love God.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Liturgist: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to God.

Liturgist: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Liturgist: With Isaiah the prophet, we give You thanks—for the promise of Your heavenly banquet, a feast of rich food and well-aged wine; for the strength of Your steadfast love, destroying the shroud of sin and shame; for the gift of Your saving grace, our long-awaited day of deliverance. Therefore we rejoice in You, saying with the saints of every age:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Liturgist: With Mary and Martha, we remember Jesus—His liberating word and healing touch, His saving death and life-giving resurrection, His promised return and glorious realm. With thanksgiving, we remember how Jesus took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying:

This is my body, given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

We remember how He took the cup, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

Do this in remembrance of me.

As often as we share this bread and cup, we proclaim the saving death of the living Lord, until He comes in glory to reign. Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

All: **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Liturgist: Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us, O God, as we share this feast of bread and wine. Make us one in the body of Christ our Lord and one in the company of Your saints. With Saint John the Divine, we look with hope—for the coming of Your new creation, a new heaven and a new earth; for an end to suffering and mourning, when every tear will be wiped away; for the fulfillment of Your ancient promise on the day when You make all things new. Through Christ, the Alpha and Omega, in the communion of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor

The Prayer Of Our Savior - Singing

**Our Father, Which art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

The Communion

Grape Juice In Center Of The Tray--Bread Is Gluten Free

The Prayer of Thanksgiving - Unison

We thank You, Most Holy God, for refreshment at Your table where along with Your saints we receive all of Christ's gifts. Provide for Your church on earth a strong faith and increased love for one another. Give us the grace to praise You with our lives in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***The Hymn** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" #295

***The Commission and Benediction**

Leader: With a loud voice, Jesus said: Lazarus, come out!
So He calls us now: to go forth in faith and love,
to care for one another in the His name and live
each day as a gift of God's grace,

May the Lord our God...
the Alpha and Omega,
the first and the last,
the beginning and the end—
be with you this day and forevermore.

People: Alleluia, Amen.

***The Benediction Response** "Let There Be Peace On Earth
"Laminated Card In Pew Rack"

***The Postlude**