

# 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

July 26, 2015

The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

**The Prelude**

**Ring of The Bell**

**Word of Greeting and Announcements**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

**Musical Meditation**

**Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Your creation gives thanks to You, O God.

**People: And we, Your faithful, bless You.**

Liturgist: We shall speak of the glory of Your realm  
and tell of Your power.

**People: We shall let all people know Your mighty deeds  
and glorious splendor.**

**\*The Hymn**

"Praise with Joy the World's Creator"

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**\*The Prayer of Invocation-Unison**

**Generous God, You give us what we need and satisfy  
our desires in due season. Grant that our inner beings may  
be strengthened through Your Spirit, and that Christ may  
dwell in our hearts through faith, that You may accomplish  
within us far more than all we ask or can imagine. Amen.**

Liturgist: O Lord, open our lips.

**People: And our mouths shall show forth Your praise.**

**\*An Act of Praise**

**Laud and honor to the Father,  
Laud and honor to the Son,  
Laud and honor to the Spirit,  
Ever three and ever One. Amen**

**The Collect - Unison**

**Holy God, may Your Word give us the power to comprehend,  
with all the saints, the length and width, the height and depth of  
the love of Christ and fullness of life in You. We ask this through  
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**

Liturgist: Listen now for the Word of God.

2 Kings 4:42-44 Page 336

Ephesians 3:14-21 Page 193

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.**

John 6:1-21 Page 97

Liturgist: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

**The Homily**

*"What's for Supper?"*

**\*The Hymn**

*"Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant?"*

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## **The Call to Prayer**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## **Silent Prayers of the People**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

#### **The Prayer of Our Savior**

**Our Father, Who 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 Prayer Response** "Spirit of the Living God"

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## **The Giving of Our Gifts and Offerings**

### **The Offertory**

#### **\*The Offertory Response**

**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**

**We rejoice with thanksgiving for all we have received.**

**Multiply the gifts we give so that the world may more  
deeply know fullness of life in You. Amen.**

**\*The Hymn** "God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"

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### **\*The Commission and Benediction**

Liturgist: Go in peace, love and care for one another  
in the name of Christ.

Go, enriched by the abundant love of God,  
nourished by the selfless care of Jesus Christ  
strengthened by the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit .

**People: Amen.**

### **\*The Benediction Response**

-Amazing Grace

**The love of God, with peace and joy,  
will each of us attend.**

**And will guard our ways through coming days,  
until we meet again.**

### **\*The Postlude**