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AVON LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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7th Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2010

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER – Announcements, Joys & Concerns

PRELUDE *Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor* Albrecht

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We stand on the rock of God's word

P: **Where no temptation can sweep us away**

L: We stand on the rock of God's love

P: **Where no anger or violence can sweep us away**

L: We stand on the rock of God's promise

P: **Where no fear or anxiety can sweep us away**

**ALL: We stand on the Rock, the unshakable Rock of all ages!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "God is Here!" No. 461

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*SILENT PRAYER

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Holy God, we confess that in the time of trial our first instinct is self-preservation. We confess that we have too often prayed for you to spare us when you most needed us to serve you. Forgive our desire to be safe and secure. Inspire us to risk it all, knowing that you are ready to gather us up, even from death to new life. In you holy name we pray. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

P: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Alleluia! Amen.**

In awe, we Receive God's Grace and Gospel.  
In gratitude, we Respond with Worship and Servanthood.  
In love, we Represent Jesus Christ as we minister  
to transform lives in family, community and the world.

**Sunday School Classes (after passing of the peace during worship until 11:15)**

Crib Room (Birth – 18 months)	Room 6
Toddler Room (18 months – 3 years old)	Room 7
4's & 5's Class (4 – 5 years old)	Room 4
1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Room 5
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Art Workshop	Back of Hart Hall
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Game Show Workshop	Loft in Hart Hall
7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Youth Room
10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Library

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Interim Minister	Bill Lindeman
Pastor Emeritus	Alfred A. Hart
Director of Music	Muriel Homer
Youth Director	Linda Duffy
Office Administrator	Cindi Dansizen
Treasurer	Marcy Uhl
Coffee Server	Kathy Leopold
Greeter	Kathy Navarro
Hall Monitor	Cindi Dansizen
Head Usher	Cheryl Dean
Ushers	Mike Dean, Nancy Spencer, Chris Chase Bob and Marilyn Bulman
Sound Room	Paul Selvage
Worship Assistant	Penny Helbig

## This Week at the Church

### Sunday Morning

**Sunday School** will begin with worship.

**The Wired Word Adult Study**— “Dallas Braden Pitching a Perfect Game,” will be in Room 3 (Session Room) after worship.

**Healing Ministry Adult Study** will be in the library after worship.

### Monday, May 17

**The Walking Group** will meet at 9:00 am in the church office.

**The Session** will meet at 7:00 pm in the Session Room.

### Tuesday, May 18

**Avon Lake Ministerial Association** will meet at 9:30 am.

**Ruth Circle** will meet for breakfast at Bob Evans in Avon at 10:00 am. (Please note time and place change.)

**Together on Tuesday** will meet at 7:30 pm at a member’s home. (Call 933-5521 for where.)

### Wednesday, May 19

**The Walking Group** will meet at 9:00 am in the church office.

**The Circle of Hope** will meet at 9:30 am in the church library.

**The Bell Choir** will meet at 6:45 pm in the church foyer.

**The Chancel Choir** will meet at 8:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

### Thursday, May 20

**Lorain Cluster Ministers** will meet at noon at Sorrento’s Restaurant.

**Circle of Love** will meet at Debbie Stueber’s home for a salad and dessert potluck at 1:00 pm.

**Presbyterian Women Board** will meet at 7:00 pm in the Session Room.

### Friday, May 21

**The Walking Group** will meet at 9:00 am in the church office.

**The Job Seekers Group** will meet at 3:30 pm in the Session Room.

**The Scottish Dancers** will meet at 6:45 pm in Hart Hall.

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (unison)

**Christ breaks the power of reigning sin, And sets the prisoner free;  
Christ’s blood can make the sinful clean, Christ’s blood availed for me.**

ANTHEM *The First Song of Isaiah* White  
(Chancel Choir and congregation—**see song on the next page**)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON (p. 1156) Matthew 16:21-28

L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

SERVICE OF STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY *Aria in F* Handel

\*DOXOLOGY No. 592

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Random Acts of Kindness ceremony*

*Children and Youth may leave for Sunday School*

\*HYMN “Give to the Winds Thy Fears” No. 286

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE; LORD’S PRAYER (using debts and debtors)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (p. 907) Jeremiah 15:15-21

L: ..the Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON **I’m Over Here** Dr. Bill Lindeman

\*HYMN “If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee” No. 282

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Psalm XIX* Marcello

\*All who are able may stand

## **Youth Mission Trips Fundraiser \$3 a Mile Sponsorship**

**Jr. Highs (Grades 6-8): “The Great Escape” in Cleveland, TN  
June 20—26, 2010**

with John Knox Presbyterian Church

**Sr. Highs: Calais, Maine (Coastal Maine)  
July 24—31, 2010**

with Dover Congregational UCC

This fundraiser works much like sponsoring a marathon runner, in that you simply donate a set amount of money per mile that we will travel on the trips. According to our calculations, we will be traveling a total of about two thousand miles, there and back. If we get all two thousand miles sponsored, we will be able to travel to our mission trip destinations, participate, work, learn more about God and ourselves, and come back home safely.

### **How can you sponsor our youth and support their drive to grow and help others?**

You can sponsor any number of miles by cash or check that is made out to Avon Lake Presbyterian Church. Make sure that in the memo section on your check you write how many miles you are sponsoring and that it is for the Youth Mission Trips. For example, if I wanted to sponsor 15 miles, I would make the check out for \$45.00, and in the memo line, write, “15 miles, Youth Mission Trips.”

Check out the map in the foyer each week as we make our way to our destinations and back by donations.

A High School Youth or two will be in the foyer after the worship service to answer any questions you may have about this fundraiser. They are also there to accept your wonderful donation!

### Living With Cancer

Becky Betts, Juanita Brookshire, Bob Clegg, Elwin Dyke, Georgene Meador, Jay Simmons, Nancy Spencer, Carol Unger, Kelly Anaya (Co-worker of Rae Matthew's), Sharon Jermstad, Wayne McCoy (Mary Esther Barnes' brother), Brenda (Muriel Homer's friend), Sandy Borelli, Dominic Chillemi (a member of Kathy Leopold's family), Paul Davies (Marian Conn's friend), Dick Derrick (Rae Matthew's cousin), Donna Donley (Sue Galloway's mother), Donna (a friend of Scott Hay), Janie Doud (Donna Bradley's friend), Lou Duke, Sam Farsetti, Jeremy George, Richelle Haag (a 22-year-old daughter of a friend of the Smiths), Jim Hamilton (Bill Hamilton's brother), Bob Jones (friend of the Nicolas'), Janis Jones (Cheryl Dean's friend), Judy (a friend of Sue Scott's), Jim Keenan (Cheryl Dean's friend's father), Warren Kendall, (Jenni Collin's friend), Joanne Kjrejci (Shirley Hook's brother-in-law's daughter), Sabrina Leach (Craig Shoemaker's sister), Bob Mitchell (Holly Dufala's father), Carl Musgraves (Nanette Wiedl's grandfather), Betty Prince (Ken Prince's mom), Carol Sagraves (Claire Postle's sister), Gerry Sanders (Juanita Brookshire's sister), Kelli Scibetta (Cindi Dansizen's sister-in-law), Diane Serbin (Dan Serbin's sister), Mike Serbin, Dan Urbin (friend of the Friesner's) and Don Swartz (Linda's brother).

### Serving in our Armed Forces

Bradley Biddle (Ruth Murphy's grandson), Derek Fabry, Jennifer Homer, Matt Homer, Josh St. Clair, Jamie Waddell, Derek Weeden, Wes Wiblin, Aaron Angel (Scott Hay's niece's husband), Joshua Asire (Fran and Allan Asire's grandson), Tony Carosella (Carolyn Dzuro's nephew), Ben Donberg (a nephew of the Monjots), Michael Foor (Joyce Shramo's grandson), Robert Glover (Carol Egna's brother), Patrick Harris (Betty Harris' grandson), Richard Hebert (father of Waverly, Grace and Mallory), Ian Houston (a friend of Scott Simmons), Todd and Brett Kirwan (friends of the Wiblin's), Michael Marron (Dina Doughtry's son-in-law), Ben Donberg and Jaina Donberg (Mark Monjot's nephew and wife), Kevin Poyer (friend of the Lawson family), Joshua Reichlin (Ken Reichlin's nephew), Ryan and Kevin Tinsley (Nancy McBride's grandsons) and Adam Usher (Kay Usher's grandson).

The flowers on the communion table today are given to the Glory of God  
by Vickie and David Joyce.

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**Senior Recognition Sunday, May 23**—We will be recognizing the graduates of 2010 during the worship service so we can show them how proud and thankful we are for them!

Next Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> is Spring Work Day and Pentecost—the birthday of church. **Wear your blue jeans and red shirts and stay after worship to help us beautify the church.** There will be jobs both inside and out. Please bring any gardening tools, rakes, wheel barrows and shovels you have. The Deacons will be providing hot dogs for lunch so come and work up an appetite! If you have any questions, please see a property committee member or call the church office.

**Thinking of getting your yard ready for spring?** Use the Presbyterian Women Coupon (on the table in the foyer) to purchase mulch at the Rock Pile in Avon. Use a gift certificate at Pinehaven Garden Center to purchase plants and supplies. A flat of flowers is \$9.95. Presbyterian Women are selling gift certificates for Pinehaven Garden Center, 39424 Detroit Road, Avon. They are being sold in denominations of \$15 and up. They can be purchased before or after church in the foyer, or contact Penny Helbig at 933-2384.

**Child Activity Opportunity:** The Christian Education Committee is looking for people who are interested in spending time with the children of our church this summer. We have two great opportunities to choose from that would really benefit our children and also help out our church family. We need volunteers to take the children to the foyer during the sermon and we need volunteers to provide children's sermons during the summer. There is a sign-up sheet in the table on the foyer. Please consider volunteering for this important service in the church. For questions, please call Karen Francy at 933-4230.

**An FM system is available for those who would appreciate sound amplification. Large print bulletins are also available. Ask an usher.**

## Welcome to Avon Lake Presbyterian Church

As you join us for worship at Avon Lake Presbyterian Church, we hope that you will sense God's presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God's Word and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. To any who might be worshipping with us for the first time, we extend a special greeting. You are cordially invited to take part in all our church activities.

*We ask that all worshippers sign the Friendship Register and pass the pad on to the person next to them.*

**Parents please note:** In the event you need to take a restless infant or child out of the Sanctuary, speaker systems are in both the foyer and the crib room so that you may listen to the worship service.

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**Vacation Bible School:** This summer ALPC is teaming up with Lakeshore United Methodist Church to present **Galactic Blast!** Our exciting week of adventure and Bible exploration will be held June 21-25 from 9-12 noon at Lake Shore United Methodist Church. LSUMC is located at 33119 Electric Blvd. ALPC and LSUMC are joining together this year and offering classes for preschool through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. We are greatly in need of youth helpers as well as adult volunteers. Registration forms are located in the foyer. The cost is \$5.00/child. Please register your children ASAP! If you have any questions or are able to volunteer your time, please contact Leslie Knox 930-7287 or [kittyrn69@hotmail.com](mailto:kittyrn69@hotmail.com). Please consider helping out during the week. Your presence is priceless as we gather and share the Lord's amazing works with our children.

To help make Galactic Blast (VBS) a great success, we are in need of the following items:

**100 paper towel tubes, 200— 8" paper plates, 8 rolls Scotch tape, construction paper (all colors) 600 Styrofoam cups, space stickers, 5 bottles of Elmer's glue, Sequins, and any outer space items you may have**

(We can put your name on it and return it after the week is over).

**The Avon Lake High School Stage Band and the Patriot Symphonic Band** will present a free concert in appreciation for all of our friends that have supported us through the years. The concert will be held on Saturday, May 22, at 7:30 pm in the Performing Arts Center at Avon Lake High School.

The deadline to submit articles for the **summer edition of the newsletter** to Cindi in the church office via e-mail at [alpresby@centurytel.net](mailto:alpresby@centurytel.net), is next Sunday, May 23.

## Please Remember in Prayer

### Deaths/Bereavements

**The family of Elwin Dyke**, who died on Friday, May 7. The funeral was in our Sanctuary on Thursday, May 13 at 10:00 am.

### Recent Concerns/Illness

**Ruth Weeks** broke her femur and is now in rehab at Fairview Hospital.

**Linda Duffy** is recuperating at home from an operation on May 10.

**Bill Clutter** is recuperating at home.

**John Kiza**, Kurt Horvath's dad's friend, is in hospice.

**Debbie Szabo**, a friend of Penny Helbig, is at Cleveland Clinic.

**Christine McCloud**, Joyce Nicola's daughter, had surgery on April 15.

**Lucy Morton**, a friend of Bill Lindeman, has ovarian cancer.

**Zachary Loehil (9 years old)**, Lynn Morway's cousin's grandson, is in the Mayo Clinic with Leukemia.

**Carol and Will Kolbox**, Jim Janis' sister & husband, have serious health concerns.

**Don Stillwell**, grandfather of Nanette Wiedl, had a defibrillator and pacemaker on April 13.

**Carl Musgrave**, grandfather of Nanette Wiedl, had stents on April 14.

**Mark Barnes**, Mary Esther's son, had a serious biking accident in Oxford, Ohio.

**Greg Blomstrom**, Jennifer Collin's dad, fell off of a ladder in Michigan on April 20.

**Mary Joe Faust**, Presbyterian Lay Pastor, fell and broke her shoulders and wrist.

**Valerie**, granddaughter of the Hamilton's, is having health issues.

**Denise** is having health issues.

**Sarah Hixenbaugh**, Penny Helbig's aunt, is in a nursing home now.

**Luanne**, friend of Sue Scott, was recently diagnosed with lung cancer.

### Ongoing/Long term prayer concerns

Marie Banks, Mary Esther Barnes, Betty Clifford, Josh Dickey, Katy and Kurt Horvath, Marcia Kalo, George Lawson, Jamie Otterson, John Robertson, Joe Unger, Al (a friend of Ken Prince), Ray and Pat Anderson (Nancy Bruder's dad and mom), Donna Bradley's father-in-law, Norma Ensign (Sybil Wendling's grandmother), Carol Fratianne's dad, James Bennett (Nanette Wiedl's co-worker's husband), Cathy Dudziak (Bob Nicola's daughter), Corinne Graycar (Nancy Spencer's daughter), John Piskura (Sheffield Lake's Mayor), Selma Conrad (the Nicolas' neighbor), Leonora Vasu (Mircea's mother), Zoe Waterson (student of Deb Gantz's) and Barbara Zupanic (Nancy Spencer's sister).