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We are so excited to share that we are now streaming our 10:45AM service in multiple locations of the church. For those of you with little ones, you can always catch the service LIVE on the television in the nursery located on the first floor. Also, the service is LIVE in the fellowship hall downstairs on the big screen. Also, our youth leaders have access to the service on a television in our Christian Education wing upstairs.

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10:45AM

Rev. Jason Elliott

May 4, 2025

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Matthew 7:12

HYMN

"Blessed Assurance"

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Loving God, we humbly ask for your forgiveness. Open our eyes and soften our hearts that we may faithfully serve you as we should. Fill us with the gift of love that we may love others.

MOMENT FOR SILENT MEDITATION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Friends, believe the Good News **RESPONSE:** in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

BAPTISM

SPECIAL MUSIC Evan Conn

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Traditional) I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

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.

SCRIPTURE John 21:1-19

¹ After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he showed himself in this way. ² Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³ Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴ Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." ⁶ He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. ⁷ That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he had taken it off, and jumped into the sea. ⁸ But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

⁹ When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them, and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me.

SERMON "Keep It Simple" Rev. Elliott

SACREMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

SPECIAL MUSIC Evan Conn

*BENEDICTION/ DISMISSAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTISM This morning Rev. Elliott will baptize Rhett Philip Granatir. Rhett was born on December 8, 2024 to Shawn & Dana Granatir. Rhett's maternal grandparents are Earl & Connie Meiers and his paternal grandparents are Philip & Pam Granatir. May God bless you always!

CHANCEL FLOWERS Our flowers this morning are in loving memory Herbert & Winifred Leicy by Linda Wells, in loving memory of Mia Stubbs by Tom, Pam & Gabrielle Peterson and in loving memory of John & Marlene Rhueff on their 68th Wedding Anniversary by Tom, Pam & Gabrielle Peterson.

MISSION CANS- This week, the mission cans will go to Pastor's Discretionary.

<u>OHIO VALLEY CHORALE CONCERT</u> TODAY at 3pm at First West. Seating is first-come, first-served. A free-will offering will be collected.

GRIEF GROUP Hospice grief meeting will be here Monday, May, 5th at 2pm.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES Men's bible study begins at 10 am in the Café. Bible Study for men and women is from 7–8 pm. We hope you will join us.

<u>PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN/HELEN MARTIN BIBLE STUDY</u> meets in the Café Thurs., May 8 at 12:30pm. All ladies are invited to join us! You may bring a salad or sandwich if you like. Hostesses provide beverages and dessert.

<u>PARKINSON'S GROUP TO MEET</u> Our Place of Jefferson Co. Parkinson's Group meeting will be held here Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 10am. The public is welcome.

SESSION will meet in here, in the Café, Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 6:30 pm.

<u>BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES</u>- *Anniversaries:* George & Kathy Kuntupis (5/10). *Birthdays:* Justin Spencer, Jr. (5/4), Jett Glenn (5/7), Jolee Lombardo (5/8), Elizabeth Carroll (5/9) Charles Davis (5/10) and Bernie Smith (5/10).

Love God Love Others!