

# Prospect Street United Methodist Church

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**Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**10:30 a.m.**



## Mission Statement:

“We are united to love God,  
to grow in our commitment to Christ,  
to serve others, and welcome all people.”

# 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

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Joshua Freshour, Pastor

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\*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

NOISY COLLECTION

St. Vincent de' Paul's Food Pantry

WELCOME

Terry Huff

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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OPENING PRAISE SONG

**"He Is Exalted"  
He is exalted,  
the King is exalted on high;  
I will praise Him.  
He is exalted, forever exalted  
and I will praise His name!  
He is the Lord,  
forever His truth shall reign;  
Heaven and earth  
rejoice in His holy name.  
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the King is exalted on high.  
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PASS THE PEACE

Leader:

The Lord Be With You

People:

And Also with You

PRELUDE

Jim Anderson & Gary Flach

"Jesus Is All the World to Me" arr. by James and Stan Pethel

Lighting of the Altar Candles

*Use this time to prepare your heart for worship*

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader: If we want to see Jesus...**

People: We must be willing to watch for Him.

**Leader: If we want to hear Jesus...**

People: We must be willing to listen.

**Leader: And if we are to be his hands and feet...**

People: We must be willing to trust him with ours.

**\*OPENING HYMN**

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

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**\*INVOCATION**

Heavenly Father, Holy Spirit, give us, Your children, the spiritual eyes to see. Give us the spiritual ears to hear. We confess that it takes more effort, attentiveness, and patience to tap into this gift of the Spirit, therefore give us the strength that we might begin the process of doing so. God, You have given us the power to do mighty things in Your name. To discern where we are needed. To spiritually be in the right place at the right time. To have the courage to enter rather than exit. These abilities come from the spiritual sense freely given to us. Help us as disciples of Jesus Christ, each and every day, to find ourselves trusting and depending more and more on Your direction for our lives so that we might, as Your hands and feet, be transformers of the world. Amen.

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

"Battle Hymn of the Republic"

Michelle Fassler

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

"Jesus Loves Me" vs. 1

Children under age four may go to the Nursery

Children ages four through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are dismissed for Junior Worship

**OFFERING**

Offertory

"Majesty" arr. by John F. Wilson

Loose offering to help students at YonSei Medical Center in Korea & PIN Fund

\*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Acts 16: 9-15

9 During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." 10 When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. 11 We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, 12 and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. 13 On the Sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. 14 A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. 15 When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

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

**Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

***“Look again, look closer, look longer”***

Pastor Josh Freshour

HYMN OF PRAYER

“Where He Leads Me”

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PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, Speak to Me”

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\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“God Be With You”

**God be with you till we meet again;  
by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
with his sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.  
Till we meet, till we meet,  
till we meet at Jesus' feet;  
till we meet, till we meet,  
God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart” arr. by Herman Voss

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Liturgist: Faye Roszman  
Greeters/Acolytes: Harry & Charlene Niner

*Next Sunday Scripture: Jeremiah 18:1-6 & Sermon Title: “Still Creating on Day 8”*

*The clear candle burning on our altar signifies our appreciation for the men and women serving our country during this time of national concern.*

If you have a **Prayer Request**, please call Pastor Josh at 614-519-8870.

**Altar Flowers** are placed in loving memory of Kim Gamble Mathews on her birthday, May 20, 1964.  
Romans 8:28-31

**Emma McKenney's Graduation Party** this afternoon from 2 – 5 p.m. at the Erickson Pavilion at McKinley Park.

It's a **Graduation Party** for **Addyson Holsinger** on **Saturday, May 31**, from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. at Yellow Finch Creations, 119 W. Huber Street.

The **Sacrament of Holy Communion** will be served next **Sunday, June 1**.

The United Women in Faith will be having a **Spring Avon Sale**, from **June 1 till June 18**, with delivery Wednesday, June 25, here at church. Please pick up a book, and peruse it to find just the right item for you or to give as a gift. Books will be available in the atrium each Sunday. Please consider supporting the UWIF with this fundraiser.

The **Board of Trustees** will meet on **Monday, June 2**, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Martha Horne Circle** will meet on **Thursday, June 5**, at 6 p.m. at Perkin's Restaurant.

Once again, Prospect Street United Methodist Church has the honor of hosting The Cardinal Chorale, under the direction of Mr. Charles R. Snyder on **Saturday, June 7**. As in the past, we **ABSOLUTELY MUST** have assistance from our congregation in order for the concert to happen.

- **MARK** the date on your calendars.
- **HOUSING** is a dire necessity. We must have approximately 10 homes from PSUMC. Host homes will have 2-4 singers. Hosts provide a light snack after the concert (water/fruit) bedding, shower/towels, and a light breakfast for the morning. You will need to pick them up after the concert and bring them back in the morning.
- **DONATIONS** - If you are unable to attend the concert or host singers, you can support the Chorale through a financial gift. Money is needed to help pay for their week-long traveling tour. Donations of any size are truly appreciated.

Please contact the church office to let us know if you can assist in any way.

The **Prayer Team** will meet on **Sunday, June 8**, during the Sunday School hour in the Library.

The **Ladies' Lunch Group** will be meeting on **Sunday, June 8**.

The **Hilda Weiss Circle** will meet on **Monday, June 9**, at 12 p.m. at Perkin's Restaurant.

The **Staff-Pastor-Parish-Relations Team** will meet on **Monday, June 9**, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.

The **Guiding Light Circle** will meet on **Tuesday, June 10**, at 1 p.m. at Bob Evans.

A new **Book Study** will begin on **Tuesday, June 10**, at 7 p.m. Please let Pastor Josh know if you are interested.

The **Education Team** will meet on **Tuesday, June 10**, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.

The **Finance Team** will meet on **Thursday, June 12**, at 7 p.m. in the Upper Room.

**Open House** to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary for Patty & Barry Franklin on **Saturday, June 21**, from 2 – 5 p.m. here at the church in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Monday Morning Bible Study Group** will not meet again until September.

**Watch our services on YouTube!** Just go to our website and click the YouTube link. Our website address is: [www.prospectstreetumc.com](http://www.prospectstreetumc.com).

**Service DVD's for Shut-Ins!** We have DVD's available of our 10:30 a.m. worship service for anyone who would like to borrow or have a copy. We are delivering DVD's on Monday mornings!

**Memorial Pavers** can be ordered for summer installation. If you would like to purchase a paver for the Memorial Park, forms are available on the library table located in the south alcove. The pavers can be in memory of loved ones who have passed away, or in honor of anyone or anything that you would wish to praise. Cost of a paver is \$75.00. Order forms can be turned in to the office.

**E-Tithing** is an automatic withdrawal from your checking account and is remitted automatically to the church. We can set it up so it will deduct from your checking account on the 1<sup>st</sup> and/or the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Contact the church office for more information!

**Kroger Community Rewards** – Please enroll in the Kroger Community Program. Go to [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and all the details on creating an online account are there. Under Community Rewards make sure you search and select “Prospect St. United Meth. Chur” our Organization number is VF478. Thank you!

**Attendance May 18:** Sunday School - 38

Worship Services – 24/121

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