

# Clarence Presbyterian Church

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**Growing, Serving, Celebrating**



**2nd Sunday after Pentecost  
June 7, 2026  
10:00 am**



**Friends, at this stop on your life's pilgrimage  
we bid you welcome  
with the hope that here you will find  
the love of God, which He offers  
to all who seek to serve and follow Him!**

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE: Fugue in G Major

(Friedrich Wilhelm Zachow)

WELCOME:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Return to the One Holy God who calls you to steadfast love.

**The Lord desires love, not sacrifice.**

Return to the One who heals and binds, revives and raises up.

**The Lord desires knowledge, not burnt offerings.**

Rejoice in the name of the One who favors all creation with light and life.

**Amen and amen!**

\*HYMN: No. 49 "The God of Abraham Praise"

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\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of calling, you called Abraham and Matthew and gave them the strength they needed to follow you. You called a people and cared for and nurtured them so that they could live life in your abundance. And you call us also, though we sometimes close our eyes and cover our ears, turning our backs to your will. Forgive us O God, and grant us the confidence and the hope that we need to follow when you call. Amen.**

(moment of silent confession)

RESPONSE: "Kyrie eleison"

Hymn No. 578

***Ky-ri-e e-le-i-son*** (4x)

***Chri-ste e-le-i-son*** (4x)

Lord have mercy  
Christ have mercy

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*RESPONSE: Hymn No. 447 "We Are Forgiven"

***We are forgiven. We are forgiven.***

***Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.***

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

(Please greet those near you with words such as "The Peace of Christ be with you.")

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING: Genesis 12:1-9

Pew Bible (OT) p.9

- <sup>1</sup> Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.  
Praise befits the upright.
- <sup>2</sup> **Praise the Lord with the lyre;  
make melody to him with the harp of ten strings.**
- <sup>3</sup> Sing to him a new song;  
play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.
- <sup>4</sup> **For the word of the Lord is upright,  
and all his work is done in faithfulness.**
- <sup>5</sup> He loves righteousness and justice;  
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.
- <sup>6</sup> **By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
and all their host by the breath of his mouth.**
- <sup>7</sup> He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle;  
he put the deeps in storehouses.
- <sup>8</sup> **Let all the earth fear the Lord;  
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.**
- <sup>9</sup> For he spoke, and it came to be;  
he commanded, and it stood firm.
- <sup>10</sup> **The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;  
he frustrates the plans of the peoples.**
- <sup>11</sup> The counsel of the Lord stands for ever,  
the thoughts of his heart to all generations.
- <sup>12</sup> **Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord,  
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.**

\*RESPONSE: Hymn No. 581 "Gloria Patri"

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it  
was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.***

SECOND READING: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Pew Bible (NT) p. 8

SERMON: "To Follow"

\*HYMN: No. 515 "I Come with Joy"

DOVE OF PEACE

CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

OFFERTORY: Aria Tertia

(Johann Pachelbel)

\*DOXOLOGY: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymn No. 609

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures high  
and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit  
one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION (See Insert)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our church family members who are in care facilities or homebound: Lois Benedict, Wayne Gardiner, Janet Hodges, Sue Kinnin, Renee Mavis, Jane Schutz, Ruth Shupe, Bob Zeeb.

Our church family members in the hospital, receiving treatments and/or recovering at home: Jared Grenzebach, Norm Kreib, Scott Kronmuller, Margaret Thayer, Bill Weikert, Paull Utter, Julie Furminger, Bonnie Beebe, Sandra Kronmuller, Betty Johnston, Lynn McConnell, Connie Allison, Lynda Large.

\*HYMN: No. 51 "To Abraham and Sarah"

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\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Improvisation on "Llangloffan"

**Food Pantry needs** are Vinegar, Saltines & Q-Tips. Thanks!

**Thank you to** Alex Hamilton for sharing his musical gifts with us this morning!

**Minister:** Rev. Dr. Jason Cashing  
**Director of Music Ministry:** Kotoe Shimojo  
**Sunday School Superintendent:** Jenna Abel  
**Children's Choir:** Connie Allison  
**Bell Ringer:** Carrie Cashing & Paul Hornbuckle  
**Lay Reader:** Jack Story  
**Greeters:** Shawn Peterson  
**Ushers:** Ben Wadon & Jack Story  
**Nursery:** Martha Anderson & Amanda Hoy  
**Live Stream:** Zach Thompson  
**Counters:** Karen Cummins, John Story & Kristin Johnson

**Flowers:**  
**Christ Candle:** In honor of my daughter Deb Kriess's birthday,  
 from Sue Mason.

**Communion Servers:** Maryann Deb, Christine Deahn, Jon Hickey,  
 Jack Hickey, Lisbeth Kreib, Bob Poczik, Don Siegel, & Carolyn Burke.

### CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK

**Sunday, June 7th**      **2nd Sunday after Pentecost**  
 8:30 am      Adult Education - Bodine Room  
 10 am      **Worship/Communion - Sanctuary**  
                 Nursery Care  
 10:15 am      Junior Church  
 11 am      Coffee/Fellowship - Narthex

**Monday, June 8th**  
 9 am—2 pm      Clarence Food Pantry—Bodine Room  
 6 pm - 10 pm      Gordon Highlanders Rehearsal - UFH & LFH  
 6:30 pm      Women 'n Wisdom - BookCellar Book Bar

**Tuesday, June 9th**  
 9 am      Staff Meeting - LFH

**Wednesday, June 10th**  
 9 am      Loose Screws Social Club

**Friday June, 12th**  
 4 pm      Women's Retreat - Offsite

**Saturday, June 13th**  
 3 pm      Women's Retreat - Offsite  
 6 pm      Corvette Club Meeting

**Sunday, June 14th**      **3rd Sunday after Pentecost**  
 10:15 am      **Worship** in the Park, Picnic to follow  
 4 pm      Iona Preparation Meeting - UFH

**Today, Sunday (June 7)** will be the last Sunday for signing up for the Bison's game outing. We still have a few tickets left for what has become a fun family outing each year, and if you would like to join us, get your name on the list Sunday! Tickets remain \$15. Signup sheet will be available in the narthex kiosk, or by calling the church office.

**Note: On Tuesday, June 9**, portions of the parking lot will be spot-sealed and attended to. There will be a time later in the summer when the entire parking lot will be resealed and striped, and this is some minor work in advance of that. Just note that if you're planning to come by the church on Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> to watch the parking lot for where these spots are located. Thank you!

**Worship in the Park with Picnic!** On Sunday, June 14 at 10:15 am, we will meet at the Town Park Pavilion next to the Clarence Town Hall, 5400 Goodrich Rd, Clarence. The picnic will follow with hamburgers and hotdogs being provided as well as plates, utensils, drinks, etc. Please bring a salad or dessert to pass. Rain or shine! The sign-up sheet is on the kiosk or call the church office, 716-759-8396.

**Even if you haven't signed up or don't have a dish to pass,  
please come. All are welcome.**

**Women 'n Wisdom** meets Monday, June 8, 2026, 6:30 p.m. at BestCellar Book Bar, located on Main Street, in the plaza across from the High School. A light menu and drinks are available for purchase, <https://bestcellarbookbar.com>. All ages are welcome! Come and grow in wisdom and love. Megan Cashing has some interesting books to share with us!

Women 'n Wisdom meets the second Monday of every month, 6:30 p.m. for a time of renewal, reflection, and relationship with each other as we live into God's presence among us and grow into wisdom!