

Communion Service of Word and Song

Εκκλησία Παρακλητε

Ekklesia Paraklete



1<sup>st</sup> UMC of Greensburg

April 22, 2017

2<sup>ND</sup> WEEKEND OF EASTER

### Gathering Music

Heleluyan (Alleluia) Muscogee Indian

### Welcome and Tidings

### Prelude

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus C Rice

### Opening Prayer

### Word of God

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

### Meditation in Song

Easter Song Medical Mission Sisters

### Homily

“Don’t Change the Subject”

### Music for Reflection

I Will Sing Unto the Lord Israeli Folk Song

### Eucharist Prayer

### Sharing the Bread & Cup

Hallelujah L Cohen

### Music of Response

Celtic Alleluia F O’Carroll

### Benediction

### Postlude

He Lives A H Ackley

### Fellowship & Refreshments



Please join us in the hallway  
beside the sanctuary for  
a time of table fellowship.



The Nursery and Crib Rooms are open and available for parents of children filled with the spirit of self-expression.



Kneeling at the altar rail at any time throughout the worship service is celebrated and encouraged.

## Εκκλησία

### Schedule of Musicians

April 22	Rev. Aimee Twigg & Val Stipcak <i>Voice, Piano &amp; Strings</i>
April 29	Rev. Tom Shirer <i>Piano</i>
May 6	Patricia Fitzpatrick <i>Piano</i>
May 13	Linda Rose <i>Ragtime Piano</i>

\* The word ‘church’ in the *New Testament* is translated from the Greek word ‘**ekklesia**’ which comes from two words ‘ek’ meaning ‘out’ and ‘kaleo’ meaning to ‘call.’ An *ekklesia* or ‘calling out’ was not just an assembly. In Greek there are many words that can mean assembly. The word *ekklesia* was a political term, not a religious term. Jesus was the King and the Bible used the term *ekklesia* for a good reason. In classical Greek ‘ekklesia’ meant ‘an assembly of citizens summoned by the crier, the legislative assembly.’

In the Greek New Testament the word **paraklete** is most prominent in John’s writings and may be translated as ‘counselor’, ‘helper’, encourager, advocate, or ‘comforter’. So, for our use, this is our worship helper.

### LEADING IN TONIGHT’S EKKLESIA:

In addition to the Holy Spirit

Associate Pastor	Rev. Jill Croushore
Musicians:	Valerie Stipcak <i>Voice &amp; Piano</i>
	Rev. Aimee Twigg <i>Voice &amp; Strings</i>