

A Communion Service of Word and Song

Εκκλησία Παρακλήτε

Ekklesia Paraklete



1st UMC of Greensburg March 17, 2018

5th Weekend in Lent

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.

Gathering Music

Welcome and Tidings

Prelude

Opening Prayer

Word of God Jeremiah 31:31-34

Meditation in Song

Homily

Music for Reflection

Eucharist Prayer

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Music of Response

Benediction

Postlude

Fellowship & Refreshments



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

ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑ
Schedule of Musicians

March 24	Rev. Janet Lord <i>Piano</i>
March 31 Easter Vigil	Valerie Stipcak <i>Organ</i>
April 7	Patty Fitzpatrick <i>Piano</i>
April 14	Linda Rose <i>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

Senior Pastor	Rev. Anette Gerber
Associate Pastor	Rev. Jill Croushore
Musician	Rev. Dean Ziegler <i>Piano</i>