

TODAY'S MESSAGE *It's a Matter of Death and Life* Rev. Glen Shedlock

SONG #493 New Century Hymnal

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

BENEDICTION

PRAYER

One: If one dream should fall and break into a thousand pieces, never be afraid to pick one of those pieces up and begin again. That's the beauty of being alive!

**All: We can always start over again. Enjoy God's amazing opportunities bestowed upon us. Have faith in God always. Amen!**

RESPONSE

*Spirit of God*

Steve Garnaas Holmes

Spirit of God, bright Flame, send us in your holy name,  
the power to heal, to share your love everywhere.

We cannot fail or fall, or know defeat at all,  
held in your hands, born on your wings.

Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come!

POSTLUDE

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Bridges, Thring, Elvey

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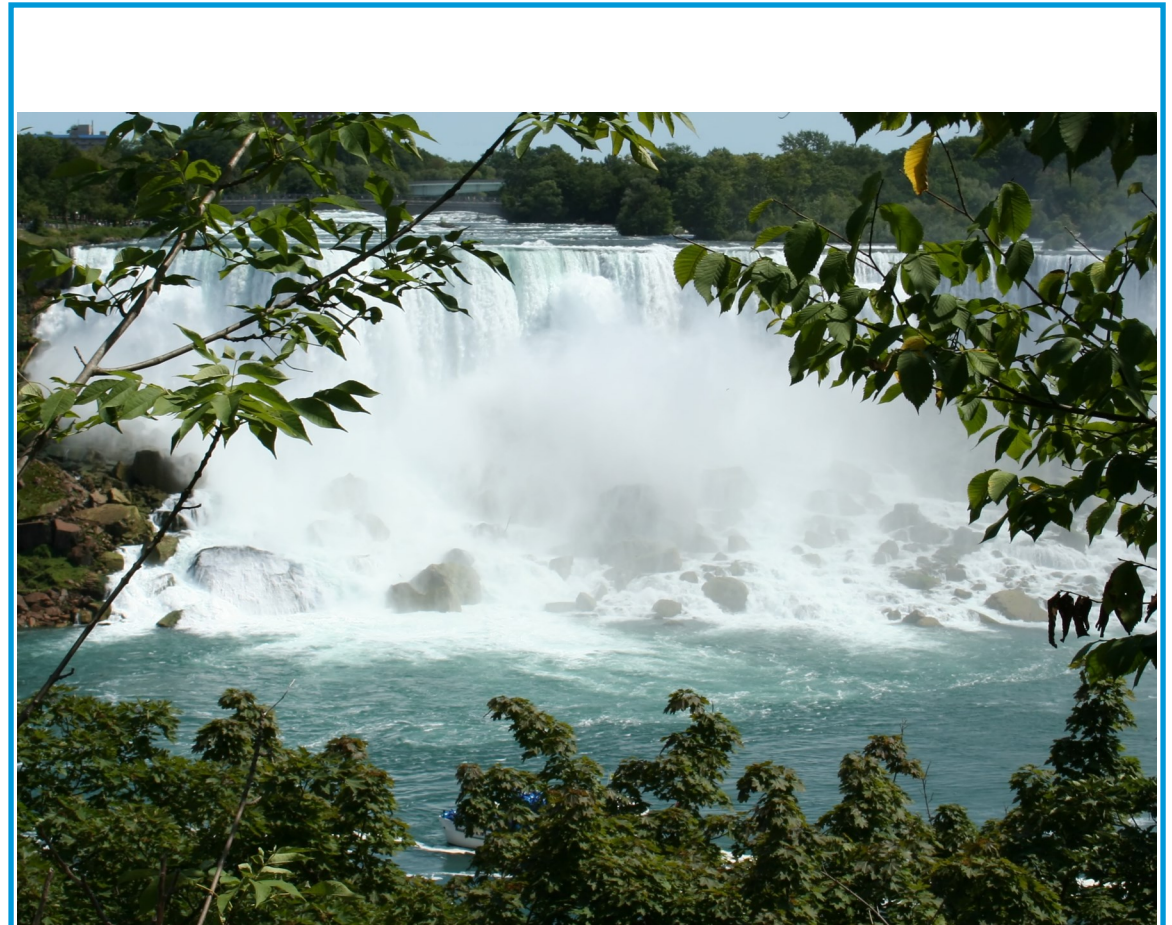
# ***Pilgrim United Church of Christ***

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Sunday, July 31, 2022



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**Rev. Glen Shedlock**

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**Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio**  
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8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUST BREATHE: (moments for silent reflection) Terry Tempest Williams  
One: The world is holy. We are holy. All life is holy. Daily prayers are delivered on the lips of breaking waves, the whisperings of grasses, the shimmering of leaves.

PRELUDE *Be Thou My Vision* Traditional Irish Tune  
Arr. Keveren

CALL TO WORSHIP Thank You!

One: In deep gratitude we come to worship God.  
**All: We recognize God as the source of all goodness.**

One: All good gifts come from the Spirit of God:  
**All: love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of God.**  
One: We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for who God is.  
**All: We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.**

SONG #451 New Century Hymnal *Be Thou My Vision*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Thank You!

**All: We sing of God the Spirit, who from the beginning has swept over the face of creation, animating all energy and matter, and moving in the human heart.**

**We sing of God the Spirit, faithful and untamable, who is creatively and redemptively active in the world.**

**The Spirit challenges us to celebrate the holy not only in what is familiar, but also in that which seems foreign.**

**We sing of God the Spirit, who speaks our prayers of deepest longing and enfolds our concerns and confessions, transforming us and the world.**

**Our worship is an outpouring of gratitude and awe, and a practice of opening ourselves to God's still, small voice of comfort, to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge.**

Through word, music, art, and sacrament, in community and in solitude, God changes our lives, our relationships, and our world.  
Amen!

RESPONSE #283 New Century Hymnal

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me,  
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, make me, fill me;  
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY/SPECIAL MUSIC  
*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* The Sacred Harp  
Arr. Keveren

PASTOR'S PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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!**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING - Luke 12:13 - 21 CEB Thank You!

Someone from the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." <sup>14</sup>Jesus said to him, "Man, who appointed me as judge or referee between you and your brother?" <sup>15</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Watch out! Guard yourself against all kinds of greed. After all, one's life isn't determined by one's possessions, even when someone is very wealthy."

<sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: "A certain rich man's land produced a bountiful crop. <sup>17</sup>He said to himself, 'What will I do? I have no place to store my harvest!' <sup>18</sup>Then he thought, 'Here's what I'll do. I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. That's where I'll store all my grain and goods. <sup>19</sup>I'll say to myself, 'You have stored up plenty of goods, enough for several years. Take it easy! Eat, drink, and enjoy yourself. <sup>20</sup>But God said to him, 'Fool, tonight you will die. Now who will get the things you have prepared for yourself?' <sup>21</sup>This is the way it will be for those who hoard things for themselves and aren't rich toward God."

## CALENDAR

### Sunday, July 31, 2021:

**10:30 a.m. In-Person & Live-Stream (Facebook) Worship Service,**  
Rev. Glen Shedlock, Sanctuary  
**11:30 a.m. Fellowship/Social Hour - Beverages, Social Hall**

### Monday, August 1, 2021:

3:00 - 8:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School-Violin Lessons, Adult Library

### Tuesday, August 2, 2021:

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School-Violin Lessons, Adult Library  
6:45 - 9:00 p.m. Broad Highway AA, Heritage Room

### Wednesday, August 3, 2021:

1:00 - 7:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School-Violin Lessons, Adult Library  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Legacy Barbershop Rehearsal, Heritage Room

### Thursday, August 4, 2021:

7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Emotions Anonymous, Adult Library

### Friday, August 5, 2021:

### Saturday, August 6, 2021:

6:00 - 10:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous, Social Hall

### Sunday, August 7, 2021:

**10:30 a.m. In-Person & Live-Stream (Facebook) Worship Service,**  
Rev. Glen Shedlock, Sanctuary  
**11:30 a.m. Fellowship/Social Hour - Beverages & Treats, Social Hall**

**Altar Flowers:** *Thank You!*     **Liturgist:** *Thank You!*  
**PowerPoint:** *Kathie Richards*

### Pilgrim United Church of Christ Staff

**Transitional Pastor:** *Rev. Glen A. Shedlock*  
**Minister of Music:** *Benjamin Knight*  
**Choir Director:** *Kimberly Knight*  
**Secretary:** *Kelly Gerstenberger*



## **WELCOME**

We joyfully welcome all visitors!  
Please join us again!  
*We are very glad You chose to Worship with Pilgrim United Church of Christ!*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Invite family and friends to join us for:

**Lemonade on the Lawn**, August 14th

after our morning church service!

Enjoy a light lunch and delicious beverages under the shade of our big trees with fellowship and activities for all ages.

Help will be needed with set-up/clean-up, and food.

See Kathie Richards to sign-up.

***We're looking forward to seeing you!***

### **Pastoral Search Committee:**

Resigned, Chairperson

Bob Kindel, Chaplain

Cindy Spenoso

Katherine Subichin, Secretary

David Kump

**Next Meeting: To Be Announced**

## **PRAYERS & PRAISES**

- ◇ The family & friends of Rich Plant, who died on July 15th, passing on to the life beyond!
- ◇ Cindy dealing with skin cancer.
- ◇ Neill, in the hospital following a motorcycle accident, fighting paralysis.
- ◇ Katherine's friend, Stacey, diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma.
- ◇ Chris' wife and family for strength and courage.
- ◇ Alan dealing with cancer issues.
- ◇ Gun violence ripping apart families and communities.
- ◇ Love for all people.

***The church secretary is on vacation through August 14, 2022.***

**For all concerns and needs please contact:**

**Rev. Shedlock or**

**Moderators: Brian Ewart, Kathie Richards, or Mark Opritza**