

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 3, 2026 – 11:00 am

\* Those that are able and comfortable standing please stand.

**Prelude: In the Morning Light**

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Call to Worship

Leader: God is our hiding place, our helper in trouble.

**People: Our Savior surrounds us in times of distress.**

Leader: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous!

**People: Shout for joy, all you upright in heart!**

**\*Hymn The Wonder of It All #505**

### Call to Confession

#### \*Prayer of Confession

*Gracious God, you know what kind of people we are. We judge others harshly and fail to see our own sin. We look with suspicion and fear, and neglect to show hospitality to strangers. We treasure things that are worthless and squander your precious gifts. We withhold the grace and love that you give us so freely. Forgive us. Pour out your grace upon us to save us from our sin. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.*

### Time of Silent Confession/Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Believe the good news of the gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**

**\*Gloria Patri Glory Be to the Father #813**

### Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

### Children's Sermon

### Scripture Reading:

**Galatians 2: 15-21**

Pastor: This is the Word of the LORD.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon:

**Before the Dawn: Finding Resurrection Through Death  
"Dying to Self"**  
Rev. Diane Flynn

### Affirmation of Faith:

*This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.*

### Communion

The Lord be with you.

**And also, with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Leader: Lord in your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

### Offering

**\*Hymn Doxology #815**

#### \*Prayer of Dedication for the Offering

*We give you thanks, O God, for the great love that you have lavished upon us in Christ Jesus. Teach us to share this love with others, bringing the good news of your holy realm to all the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.*

**\*Hymn He Touched Me #235**

### Benediction

**Postlude: Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring**



### Serving This Sunday, 5/3

**Liturgist:** Chris Rainey; **Sound Room:** Becky Mahon

**Coffee Fellowship:** Kim Dershem

### Serving Next Sunday, 5/10

**Liturgist:** Carol Floyd; **Sound Room:** Becky Mahon

**Coffee Fellowship:** Gaye Gibson

## This Week at First Presbyterian Church

### **SUNDAY, May 3**

9:15 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

10:15 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service/Communion/SCRIP

### **THURSDAY, May 7**

10:00 a.m. – Good Morning Bible Study

7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. "Prayer around the Square"

### **SUNDAY, May 10**

9:15 a.m. – Adult Bible Study

10:15 a.m. – Coffee Fellowship

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

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- Thank you to Katherine Stuart for serving as our guest musician today. We appreciate your ministry to us.
  - TODAY is SCRIP Sunday. Please see Gaye Gibson to order any gift cards. Thank you!



#### **Starting Strong Apartment Supplies:**

Today is the last day to donate your items. Delivery is tomorrow. Please see Sandy with

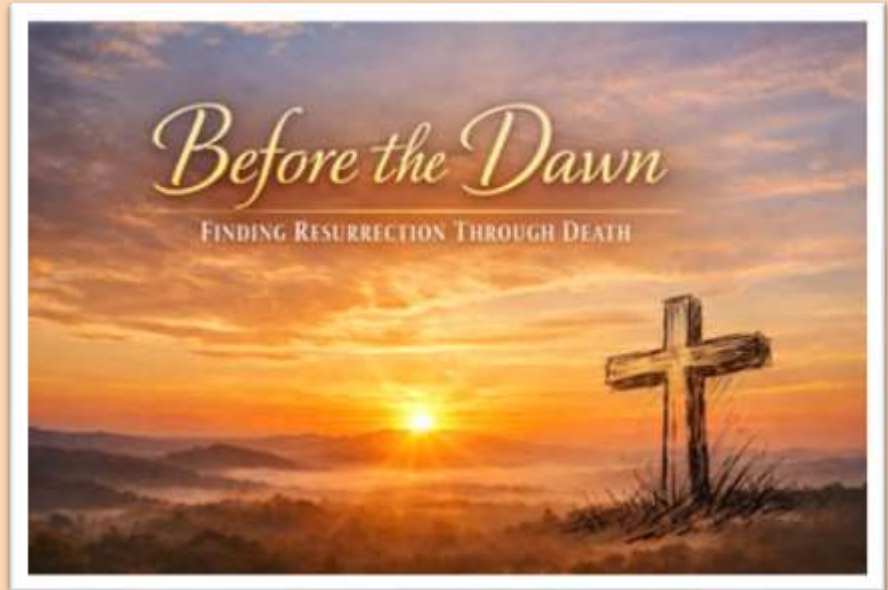
any questions.



Our church has been invited to participate in the annual National Day of Prayer "Prayer around the Square" for Licking County. This event will be held at the Public Square in Newark, Ohio from 7 am to 7 pm on Thursday, May 7th. There will be 16 prayer stations posted around the Square. You are invited to participate any time during the day to make personal

prayers of repentance and intercession for the sins of our communities and nation. This year's theme is "A Time to Repent" from the scripture Mark 1:14-15.

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Before the Dawn:

Finding Resurrection Through Death

### **"Dying to Self"**

Rev. Diane C. Flynn

May 3, 2026

11:00 a.m.

65 N. Third St.

Newark, OH 43055

Chris Rainey, Worship Elder