



HUDSON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

KNOW JESUS | SERVE JESUS | BRING OTHERS TO JESUS

Office Phone: 330-650-1626 | Information: www.hudsonpc.org

December 28, 2025

10:30am Worship

Pastor Shawn Carafa

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Those who are able are welcome to stand.

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 47:1-2 & 6-7

Lay Reader, Bill Daugherty

Leader: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

People: For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

Leader: Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

People: For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

We Three Kings

Hymn No. 288

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Gracious and sovereign God, You have given us a King, Your Son, Jesus Christ, who is worthy of all honor, obedience, and worship. Yet we confess how easily our hearts resemble Herod's. We are anxious to protect our own kingdoms, threatened by your rule, and reluctant to surrender control. Like the Magi, we are called to seek you with joy, but we confess that we often give you only what is convenient and not our best gifts. We certainly do not offer our whole selves or our wholehearted devotion. Lord, forgive us and have mercy on us. Show us again the glory of your Son, that we may fall before him and offer him our lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(Please take a moment to silently confess your sins to the Lord)

***PROCLAMATION OF FORGIVENESS** Colossians 1:13–14

[13] He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, [14] in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (ESV)

***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. Amen.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

(A time to share our Thanksgiving and Requests to the Lord and with our Church family)

OFFERTORY	Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming	German Carol, 16th Century Solo, Maryanne Schmidt
------------------	------------------------------	--

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise Him all creatures here below!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!*

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** As With Gladness Men of Old Hymn No. 290

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Stephen Thomas

SERMON “A King to be Worshipped” Rev Dennis Disselkoen
Matthew 2:1-12

***CLOSING HYMN** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You Hymn No. 271

***POSTLUDE** Good Christian Friends, Rejoice Setting by Paul Laubengayer

***FELLOWSHIP** Please join us downstairs for a time of fellowship.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

Bible Studies 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Youth Group 6:30-8pm

MONDAY

AA 7pm, FH

TUESDAY

Women's Bible Study will
resume in January 6

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

SUNDAY

NO Bible Studies 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

The office will be closed 12/29-1/2 but we will be checking messages. Pastor Shawn will be on leave this week so if there is a pastoral emergency, please call our Deacon of the Week, and he will be notified as well.

DEACON of the WEEK

Faith Fenwick 330-607-5086

CELEBRATIONS

Another Year of Life

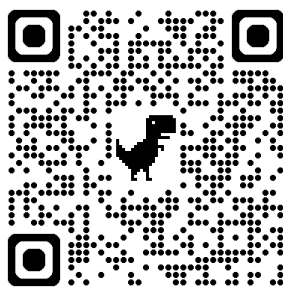
Julie DiMonte

Another Year of Life Together

None this week

NEWS

El Salvador Meeting A meeting is scheduled for January 4th after the worship service in the conference room to discuss a mission trip to the Shalom Children's Home this summer. If you have questions about this mission opportunity, please consider attending.



Support the book drive for the Shalom Home in El Salvador!

They have added a small library and are trying to reach a goal of 300 books. Because of customs and duty taxes they are requesting either cash donations or books purchased directly from their website on Amazon.

You can either scan the QR code to donate on their website or donate cash in a labeled box outside of the sanctuary. The HPC Mission Committee thanks you for your support!

Annual Congregational Meeting - Following worship on Sunday, January 11, 2026. The meeting will include a presentation of the 2025 church budget. Candidates for the offices of ruling elder and deacon will also be presented for congregational vote. All are welcome to attend the meeting. Active members of HPC in good standing are eligible to vote.

Save the Date: All are welcome to join us on Saturday January 17 2026 at 10 am-noon as guest speaker Tina Likovetz, MA, IMFT, a Clinical Team Leader with EMERGE Counseling Ministries of Akron, Ohio discusses the topic "Internet and Social Media: How it Impacts Youth Mental Health."

SCRIPTURE

The Visit of the Wise Men

2 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ² saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." ³ When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴ and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

⁶ "'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who will shepherd my people Israel.'"

⁷ Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸ And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." ⁹ After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹² And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

NOTES