

Resounding  
**JOY**  
—CHURCH—  
Presbyterian Church (USA)



**ResoundingJoy Church**  
seeks to center on **Jesus**, live **open** to all people,  
and say **yes** to Jesus' call to serve.



March 8, 2026

## Gathering Music

### Welcome

### Prelude

### Call to Worship

Jean Denny

One: If the human body, body of blood and muscle, is to live, it needs salt.

**All: If the body of Christ, body of peace and justice, is to live, it needs us!**

One: If the earthly creation, bustling and blooming, is to flourish, it needs the sun's light.

**All: If the new creation we are in Christ is to flourish, it needs the Spirit's light!**

One: Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world.

**All: Our faith, our love, our hope — essential as salt and light.**

One: But if salt isn't salty?

**All: It isn't what it's meant to be.**

One: And if a light doesn't shine?

**All: It isn't what it's meant to be.**

One: Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world.

Briny and bright, we are God's faithful people.

**All: We shall be who we are meant to be in Christ: a welcoming oasis,  
a compassionate community, a justice-making people, giving glory to God!**

### Opening Prayer

### Hymn\*

“O Word of God Incarnate”

Hymn #459

### Extinguishing the Fourth Candle

One: There's quite an irony today in that we are extinguishing a fourth candle while hearing Jesus teach about us being the light of the world.

**All: But if we are honest, we do hide our light too often in life. We choose to not speak when we should be a voice for love. We choose to not act when others act in ways of injustice, oppression, or simply being unkind. We continue to foster so many “isms” that hurt and exclude. Each time we do these things, and so many other things, we know that we are hiding your light. Forgive us Lord. Amen.**

### Assurance of God's Presence

### Sharing the Peace of Christ



<b>Response to Forgiveness</b>	<b>“O Lord Have Mercy”</b>	<b>Hymn #578</b>
<b>Prayer for Illumination</b>		
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	<b>Matthew 5:1-16</b>	
<b>Message</b>	<b>Stories in Stained Glass: Salt of the Earth / Light of the World</b>	Rev. Rebecca Bosarge
<b>Hymn* (See insert)</b>	<b>“You are Salt for the Earth O People”</b>	<i>Marty Haugen</i>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>“Let the Lower Lights Be Burning”</b>	<i>Howard Helvey</i>
<b>Offertory Response*</b>	<b>“Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart”</b>	<b>Hymn #647</b>
<b>Prayer of Dedication</b>		
<b>Sacrament of the Lord's Supper</b>		
<b>Hymn*</b>	<b>“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”</b>	<b>Hymn #526</b>
<b>Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>		

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### OFFERINGS

You can share your offerings by putting it in the plate during the service, or you can give online at this link: <https://resoundingjoy.church/give> or by scanning this QR code.



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**\*All who are able may stand.**

**Boldface Print indicates sung or spoken participation by the congregation.  
If you have a cellphone, please turn it off so as not to disrupt the service.**

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### CHURCH STAFF

**Rev. Dr. Edward Goode**, Organizing Pastor

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**Michele Wright**, Communications Director

**Lori McDonough**, Worship Leader

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# Announcements

## • Week at a Glance

### Sunday, March 8

- 9:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 9:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:45 a.m. Bible Study

### Monday, March 9

- 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

### Tuesday, March 10

- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

### Wednesday, March 11

### Thursday, March 12

### Friday, March 13

- 12 p.m. Forever Young

### Saturday, March 14

- 11:00 a.m. AA Meeting

## • Discipleship/Education Opportunities

We have two opportunities to meet in small groups for discipleship and education. All are welcome!

- Sunday, 9–10 a.m. in Room 21
- Sunday, 11:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m. in Choir Room

## • Forever Young

Forever Young is a social group for members of all ages that go out to lunch once a month. We will be meeting **Friday, March 13 at 12 p.m. at Barnesburg Tavern & Grill**, 3761 Springdale Rd. If you plan to join us, please contact **Jill Pepple** or **Pat Ossenschmidt**.

## • Easter Egg Hunt! — Saturday, March 28

Starting **promptly** at **2 p.m.**, children ages 1 through fifth grade can hop on over for some fun! **Prior to the event we are collecting candy! Please bring in small, individually wrapped candy.** A collection box is in the gathering area. This will be egg-stra special!

## • Our Guest Pastor—Rev. Rebecca Bosarge

Becky is a Teaching Elder in the PC(USA) and a pastor in the Presbytery of Cincinnati. She earned a Master of Arts in Spirituality from Bellarmine University and an MDiv from the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. Her ministry focus is individual and congregational spiritual formation. Through adult education programs, preaching, and retreats, she hosts conversations and experiences that allow us to share our wisdom, learn from each other, and open ourselves more fully to the Presence within, between, and among us. She and her husband, John, live in White Oak and regularly visit their two sons, their sons' partners, and very importantly — their two grandchildren in Chicago!

## • RJC's Practical Grace Non-Food Pantry

**We're always collecting the following donations:**

Shampoo, deodorant, bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, all-purpose cleaner, laundry detergent, bleach, dish soap, and pump hand soap.

## • Collection for SON Ministries

For March, please bring chicken noodle/tomato soup and saltines

## • Bookies Book Club

On **Tuesday Mar. 24 at 3 p.m. at StoneBridge Clubhouse**, 10290 Mill Rd. 45231, we will be reading two books for March: *Promised Land: How the Midwest was Won* by Peter Bronson, and *No More Tears: The Dark Secrets of Johnson & Johnson* by Harris Gardiner. All are welcome. Questions can be directed to Nancy Wade

## • Bible in a Year

You can see the readings for the week ahead at the bottom, but you can jump in any time to the readings. If you started and then slowed up, just pick up with today. If you haven't read any yet, just start right in.

## • Weekly Readings — <https://resoundingjoy.church/bibleinayear>

3/9/26	Leviticus 19:1-20:21	Mark 8:11-38	Psalm 42:1-11	Proverbs 10:17
3/10/26	Leviticus 20:22-22:16	Mark 9:1-29	Psalm 43:1-5	Proverbs 10:18
3/11/26	Leviticus 22:17-23:44	Mark 9:30-10:12	Psalm 44:1-8	Proverbs 10:19
3/12/26	Leviticus 24:1-25:46	Mark 10:13-31	Psalm 44:9-26	Proverbs 10:20-21
3/13/26	Leviticus 25:47-27:13	Mark 10:32-52	Psalm 45:1-17	Proverbs 10:22
3/14/26	Leviticus 27:14-Numbers 1:54	Mark 11:1-26	Psalm 46:1-11	Proverbs 10:23
3/15/26	Numbers 2:1-3:51	Mark 11:27-12:17	Psalm 47:1-9	Proverbs 10:24-25