

Avon Lake Presbyterian Church

Eat This Book

July 19, 2026 – 10:00 am



Gathering Music	<i>Meditation</i>	Susan Richardson, flute Doug Day, piano
Welcome		
Call to Worship	Leader: O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You discern my thoughts from far away. All: You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Leader: Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? All: Search me, O God, and know my heart. See if there is any wicked way in me and lead me in the way everlasting. Let us worship God!	
Opening Hymn*	<i>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come</i>	No. 367
Scripture	Genesis 28:10-19a Romans 8:12-25 Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43	Lee Lohr
Sermon	"Weeds and Seeds"	Rev. Kurt Walker
Hymn of Response*	<i>There's a Wideness in God's Mercy</i>	No. 435
Confession	All: We confess, O God that our lives are a mixture of weeds and good seeds. The weeds choke us and limit our will to respond. We admire the good seeds and want to nourish them. When the harvest comes, we know that the good seed will be kept and all else will be judged unfit for your realm. Christ have mercy upon us as we learn of your will. Give us guidance and determination as we obey your command. Forgive our misplaced allegiance when we settle for weeds. May we broadcast the landscape with the good seed of your Word.	
Assurance		
Passing of the Peace		
Offertory Anthem	<i>His Eye is on the Sparrow</i>	Susan Richardson, flute Doug Day, piano
Prayers of the People		
Benediction		
Hymn of Sending*	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King!</i>	No. 363
Postlude	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King!</i>	Rick Fortney, piano

Prayer Concerns

AmyLynn Kaspar – in hospital for diagnostics

**please stand if you are able*

The Week Ahead

July 19 – 26

Today!

10 am Pulpit Fill Rev. Kurt Walker
Giving Sunday

Monday

8:30 am Walking Group
9 am – 12 pm Cornerstone Summer Camp

Tuesday

9 am – 12 pm Cornerstone Summer Camp
3 pm Prayer Group
on Zoom

Wednesday

8:30 am Walking Group
9 am – 12 pm Cornerstone Summer Camp

Thursday

All Day Church Office Closed
9 am – 12 pm Cornerstone Summer Camp
11 am Bible Reading
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Friday

8:30 am Walking Group
9 am – 12 pm Cornerstone Summer Camp

Saturday

10 am Order of St. Luke

Sunday

10 am Worship
11 am Mission Lunch Packing

Announcements

The **Mission Committee** is collecting donations for The Front Door Ministry in Lorain. Supplies needed are disposable baby diapers, sizes 4-6, and any size adult disposable underwear. Open packages will be accepted. We are also still collecting spare change to offset the cost of the meals we provide. Thank you in advance!

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Please note: Rev. Bendoraitis will be on **vacation** through July 23. Should you need pastoral care during this time, please contact the church office, either by phone or email, and we will get you in touch with Kristian's coverage.

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The **church office will be closed Thursday** of this week while the office administrator takes vacation July 23-24.

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With **limited staff coverage** in the coming weeks, the office may be closed from time to time. While we always love to have you stop by the office, we do encourage you to call first to ensure someone will be here for you. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

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ALPC's Director of Cornerstone Preschool, Julie Wasserman, will be retiring at the end of the summer after 18 years of dedicated teaching, directing, and serving. We plan to celebrate Julie in Sunday service sometime in August. If you would like to contribute to the fund supporting Julie's celebration and service, please give donations marked "**Julie Celebration**" to Kenzi in the office. Thank you!

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday | 9:30 am – 3 pm
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