

The Presbyterian Church of Okemos
June 7, 2026
Serve Sunday



At PCO we strive to be a faithful, open, and inclusive community. We welcome the full participation of all people of any age, ability, gender identity, race, ethnicity and sexual orientation.

Preparation: On the parable of the Good Samaritan: I imagine that the first question the priest and Levite asked was: “If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me?” But by the very nature of his concern, the good Samaritan reversed the question: “If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?” – Martin Luther King Jr., “I’ve Been to the Mountaintop” April 3, 1968

Invitation to Our Shared Ministry

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Prelude

Processional

George Frederic Handel

Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, Organ

*** Call to Worship** (adapted from Psalm 90)

Sean Clark, Liturgist

One: Lord, you have been our refuge

All: from one generation to another.

One: Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the sea were born,

All: from age to age you are God.

One: Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning, so we shall rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

All: May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper the work of our hands.

*** Hymn #767**

Together We Serve, vs. 1-4

[San Anselmo]

Prayer of Confession

Sean Clark, Liturgist

One: Let us confess the limits we place on our love, so we might be filled with God's limitless mercy.

All: They may not be beaten down or lying by the road, but there are people we pass by, Watching God. Some are family and friends we take so much for granted we cannot see how we have stripped them of our love. Others are neighbors: who have been left half-dead by crushing work; who have fallen into the hands of despair; who have been abandoned by all those who walked on by them. Many are strangers, people we don't know, but quickly judge: they are weak, or poor, or the enemy or because they remind us of who we once were, or could become.

Rescue us from the power of our sins, Righteous One of all generations. Pour out your justice on us, rather than your judgment, that we would be moved with pity, and spurred to action; that we would hear of the hope that is ours, and shower mercy on all we meet, even

Offering

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Invitation

Offertory

Interlude

Maurice Greene

***Doxology #606**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Holy Communion

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to God.

All: It is right to give both thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

We will serve each other communion by intinction this morning as we gather in a circle around the church. Please take a piece of bread from the basket and dip into the cup of juice that is passed from your neighbor. The bread is gluten, soy, nut and dairy free so all may partake together.

Ushers will be available to assist in holding the cup if needed. If you wish to remain in your seat and would like to be served, please notify an usher. Please remain in your seat if you do not wish to partake of communion.

Communion Prayer

Pastor Lisa Schrott

*** Hymn #498**

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken, vs. 1-4

[Beach Spring]

*** Charge & Benediction**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Postlude

Trumpet Tune *Cebell*
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organist

Henry Purcell

** Please rise in body or spirit*

Ushers: Jayne Zuhlke, Barbara Given, Keith Camann, Tom Schaberg

Liturgy this morning was adapted from the words of the Rev. Thom Shuman published in Lectionary Liturgies <https://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com/2022/07/liturgy-wcommunion-for-july-10-2022.html>. The graphic was generated using the AI module of Canva with the prompt “graphic for who is my neighbor?”

This Morning’s Fellowship Team: Thank you to Parish Life for organizing our All-Church Picnic today, to everyone who brought food to share, and to Edward Ennen and Wayne Scott for taking care of the coffee and dishes.

Next Week: June 14, 2026

Scripture: Matthew 9:35 – 10:8

The Rev. Dr. Kit Carlson, former Rector of All Saints Episcopal Church will be preaching.

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