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Contemporary ConneXions: 6-7pm
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Easter Sunday Traditional Worship

Sunday, April 20th | 9:00am | Sanctuary

Opening Poem

Opening Song of Reflection:

Comfort, Oh Comfort
Readings: Luke 23:50-56 & Luke 24:1-12

Special Music: An Easter Celebration
by George J. Elvey (Traditional Choir)

Gathering Hymn: Jesus Christ is Risen Today!
(ELW 365)

Children's Message

Sermon: Idle Tale
Pastor Tony Katko

Special Music: Resurrection Victory
by Lloyd Larson (Traditional Choir)

Prayers of Intercession

Holy Communion/The Lord's Prayer/Offering

Communion Hymns:

Now the Green Blade Rises (ELW 379)
Lead On, O King Eternal (ELW 805)

Special Music: An Easter Prelude
by Que Jones (Bells of Peace)

Grow. Serve. Give.

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Sending Hymn:

Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's Messiah
*Anyone is welcome to join the Traditional Choir

Sending Words:

We have gathered in darkness

Yet we leave in light.

We have named our griefs at the tomb's
edge,

Yet hope rises with the dawn.

We have witnessed the world's brokenness,

Yet we carry healing in our hands.

What seemed impossible in shadow

Is made manifest in morning's glow.

Death began this sacred story,

But life eternal writes its end.

Go now as Easter people,

**Walking from darkness into resurrection
light.**

Postlude

Welcome

WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE.

We are a community of faith that exists simply because God loves us and calls us to be together. We are here to respond to God's love by loving our neighbor compassionately and courageously, and loving ourselves completely—imperfections, doubts, and questions included. Our purpose is simple- to love God, Neighbor, and Self.

We believe God's love, grace, and forgiveness are freely given: no conditions, no litmus test. One of our core values is that of grace, not guilt.

In the Peace community, "all" means all. You're welcome here because of who you are, not in spite of who you are. We are a "reconciling in Christ" community, advocating the full welcome and inclusion of all people regardless of sexual orientation, sex, gender identity, gender expression, physical or mental ability, race, marital status, age, financial situation, medical condition, citizenship status, ancestry, or religious background.

If you have young children with you, wonderful! We welcome all... peaceful... restless... all are welcome! We get it and are so glad you are here! We also offer a nursery for children three and under.

LET'S CONNECT

If you are new to Peace, please use the QR code to the right to let us know you are here. Someone on staff will reach out to you and see how we can connect with you. There is a place for everyone here at Peace.



If you are newer to Peace, and looking for opportunities to get involved, Small Groups are a wonderful place to get started. At Peace, we believe our Small Groups bring people together, provide a place to share life, and allow you to grow in faith together. There are 3 types of Small Groups: **Service, Study & Social**. We encourage you to check out some of our newly formed groups. Visit our website under GROUPS to learn more about how you can get involved in the many ministries here at Peace.

GROW. SERVE. GIVE.

Please consider continuing donations to Peace:

- Text "PLCG" to 732-56 to give via credit card or electronically
- Donate online at peacegahanna.org/donate OR use the QR code to the right
- Drop donations in our Offering Basket any Sunday during worship
- Mail in donations to 455 Clark State Road, Gahanna, OH 43230



JOIN US

Join us for some of our upcoming events here at Peace:

Peace Serves | Sunday, April 27, 2025

Peace Serves is an annual Day of Service for our faith community. A sack lunch is distributed after worship and then we disperse to various locations throughout the central Ohio area. Sites in addition to Peace include First English Lutheran Church, Gahanna Residents in Need, Mid Ohio HEART, Gahanna Parks & the Hardy Center. All ages are welcome to volunteer for a wide variety of service opportunities including both indoor and outdoor projects. Peace Serves is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a congregation to meet the needs of our neighbors. There is still available volunteer positions that need to be filled, please contact our Outreach Ministry Director, Minda Bickley at mbickley@peacegahanna.org.

Vacation Bible School | June 16-20, 2025

Peace is once again writing their own VBS curriculum, including original music and videos. Our theme is Candy Creation: How sweet it is to be loved by God! All children, ages 3 ½ years old through completed 5th grade can attend. We are also in need of volunteers to help make the week an amazing success. Completed 6th grade through adults can volunteer. Registration for attendees and volunteers opens on May 1st through Peace's website. For more information, please contact our Children's Ministry Leader, Greta Clouse at gclouse@peacegahanna.org.

Student Mission Trips

Local Student Mission: June 16-20th (6th-12th grade)

High School Mission: July 13-19th (West Virginia)

For information about either of these mission trips, please contact our Student Ministry Leader, Amelia Shrum at ashrum@peacegahanna.org, or visit our website.

Camp Friendship | July 7-11, 2025

Friendship Connections is Peace's outreach program with adults with disabilities. If you are looking for an experience with people who love life, enjoy the moment and help you to see the world in a beautiful and different way, Friendship Connections is for you. Camp Friendship is a week-long residential camp held at Peace. We are always looking for volunteers to help on a number of different levels. Friendship Connections changes the lives of those it serves, as well as the lives of those who serve. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Tica Wilson at campfriendship@peacegahanna.org.

Schubert Mass in G | Sunday, November 23, 2025

Save the date for Christ the King Sunday, November 23rd at 9am and 10:30am. The Peace Choir will be performing Schubert Mass in G with a full orchestra. You will not want to miss this beautiful worship!