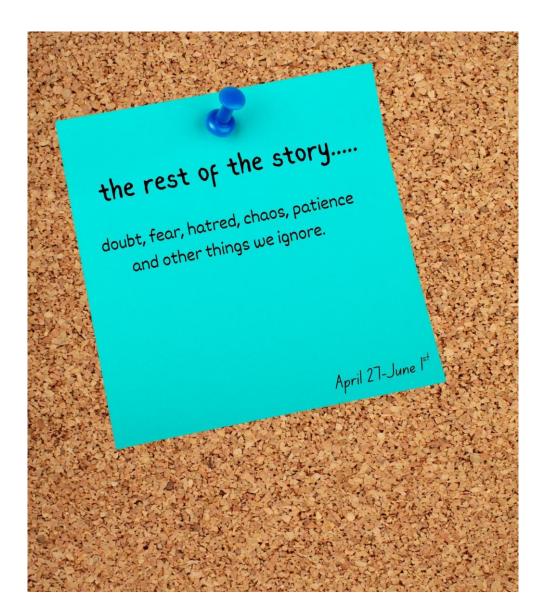
# THE COMMUNICATOR May 11, 2025



New sermon series "the rest of the story" April 27- June 1

Sunday, May 11, 2025

9:00 a.m. Traditional Experience

\*\*\*Happy Mother's Day\*\*\*

Prelude - "I Love To Tell the Story"

Welcome/Announcements

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord – UMH 540 vs. 1,4,5

Greeting

**Opening Prayer** 

Psalm 23

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us - UMH 381 vs. 1,3

Children's Message

"Ancient Words" – Chancel Choir

John 10: 22-30

Listening vs. Hearing - Rev. Marie Smith

Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Sanctuary – FWS 2164

Offering/Offertory - "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow – UMH 95

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus - FWS 2129

**Benediction** 

Postlude – "How Firm a Foundation"

### The Rest of the Story: Listening

### **Rev Marie Smith**

### May 11, 2025

Please use these sermon notes as a jumping off point for your own spiritual journey. We know everyone is on their own pathway. We hope you will find this useful. Please see Pastor Marie if you have questions or if you want to take the next step in your faith journey.

### John 10: 1-18

We hear about 20-30 words a min or 1,200-1400 words an hour.

What keeps us from being really hearing God's voice?

## John 10: 3 " The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out."

When we are people pleasing, when we are preoccupied, when we are distracted, when we are sensitive, we are not listening to Jesus' voice.

### John 10: 11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

We must put aside our preconceived ideas.

Be curious not judgmental.

Sometimes Jesus uses the strangest things and people to get us to listen.

When we learn how to listen to Jesus' voice, the world around us changes.

Action Steps:

- 1. Who's voice are you listening to?
- 2. Jesus invites us to be his sheep, will you respond?
- 3. Are you actively listening?
- 4. Join us next week as we join the Confirmation Class who will lead worship.

For more information on programs offered at the church please contact:

- Worship Services Office 740.474.4796
- Children's Sunday School & Nursery 740.474.4796
- Sermon Chat Linda Kennedy 740-248-3357
- Dimensions for Living Class John Wysong 740-601-3673
- The Explorers Mark Denniston 740.474.4796
- Monday Evening Ladies Bible Study 740.474.4796

Other programs: Community Care Ministry – 740.474.4796 The Corner Closet – 740.474.4796 Bell Choir – Alice Chester – 740.474.4796 Church Choir – Alice Chester – 740.474.4796 Girl Scouts – Office 740.474.4796 Scouts – Robert Fanska-850.529.6724 or Joe McNemar-614.580.8074 Narcotics Anonymous – 740.474.4796 Quilters Group – Pam Patrick 740.412.7642 Joy Group – Linda Kennedy 740.248.3357 Christian Counseling – Dr. Nina Helene 614.906.6609

#### Prayer List for May 08, 2025

Joy Brooks Doug Sweazy Tom Cooke Mike Logan Jennifer Johnston Rob Skidmore Neal Wolfe Melissa Matz Owen O'Dell Marci Pheister Ruby Black Mark Scherer Tristina, Rosemary, Tom, Chase, Robert, Tim, Dave, Randy Tootle Family – Passing of Ruth Tootle Metzger Family – Passing of Leo Metzger Brianna Jones Carolyn Solt Schill Family Mark Dresbach & Eric Brooks Milam Family – Passing of Larry Milam Katrina Kreger



### You are Cordially Invited City BBQ \$10.00

### Lunch Event

May 13, Noon-1:00pm (doors open at 11:45) 134 E. Mound St.

Presbyterian Church—Campbell Hall Join us and enjoy Pulled Pork, Macaroni & Cheese, Green Beans, Assorted Desserts and Beverages

Proceeds will benefit Hope House of Pickaway County Homeless Shelter Special Guest Speaker, Michael Taylor will share his story of homelessness.

RSVP REQUIRED—Use QR Code Below or Email: hopehousepickawaycounty@gmail.com





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Pickaway County Master Gardener Volunteers Annual Plant Sale Saturday, May 17, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Pickaway County Main Library, 1160 N. Court St., Circleville Annuals, Perennials, Native Plants, Vegetables and More

**Ohio State University Extension** 



Grady Johnston	06.13
Gary Scherer	06.18
Joanna Pinkerton	06.18
Ann Cullum	06.24
Blake Summers	06.25
Aubrey Johnston	06.28
Mary Lynn Dean	06.28
Perry Orndorff	06.29
Ryan Wilson	06.29



Rodger & Pat Southward	06.05
Donald & Marjorie Wolford	06.08
Robert (Neal) & Shirley Wolfe	06.09
Douglas & Lora Arledge	06.10
Tom & Julie Scherer	<b>06.12</b>
Bradley & Beth Cline	06.16

Larry & Linda Rogers	06.21
Nathan & Ruth Wilson	06.24
<b>Robert &amp; Alice Chester</b>	06.24
Doug & Linda Sweazy	06.28
Dan & Kim Pohl	06.30