

Nursery for Children 3 Years and Younger ~ Room 208 (across from the Chapel)  
 Wee Worship ~ Room 113 (downstairs)

The Lord's Supper is celebrated weekly at the 9:00 AM service  
 and the first Sunday of every month at the 11:15 AM service.

**Sunday School Classes at 10:00 AM**

Nursery Care	208
3 years and younger	
Preschool ~ Ages 3-5	201/202
Grades K-3 <sup>rd</sup>	113
Grades 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup>	308
Grades 7 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	107
Adults	111
<i>The Redemption of Scrooge</i>	



**Boulevard Presbyterian Church**

**Worship On The Lord's Day**  
**December 11, 2016 9:00 A.M.**  
**3rd Sunday of Advent**



*Today's congregation continues strong traditions of:*

- *Living faith through worship, mission, education and fellowship with the vision of "Reaching Out to Make Disciples."*
- *Following the path laid out by God through his son, Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit;*
- *Sharing the inclusive love of God to all of God's children and God's creation;*
- *Exposing the light of Christ to the world through music, words, prayer and actions.*

GATHERING

***While We Are Waiting, Come***

**While we are waiting, come. While we are waiting, come.  
 Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come. (repeat)**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please sign the friendship pad and pass it to those near you.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Nancy and Abby Henning

\*SONG

***Arise, Shine***

**Arise, shine, for thy light is come.  
 Arise, shine, for thy light is come;  
 And the glory of the Lord is risen, the glory of the Lord is come,  
 The glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. (repeat)**

\*OFFERING OUR BROKENNESS TO GOD

\*RECEIVE GOD'S HEALING AND SHARE GOD'S PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.** *Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.*

Song of Praise

***Gloria, Gloria***

**Gloria, Gloria in excelsis Deo!  
 Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!**

*\*Please stand if you are able where indicated by the asterisk.*

<b>Staff</b>			
Pastor:	Preston Shealy	Office Managers:	Carol Fry
Music Coordinator:	Mary Ann Stephens		Linda Johnson
Choir Director:	Brady Brennan	Building Manager:	Mark Key
Childcare Provider:	Nancy Henning	Preschool Admin:	Mikie Bowles

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**WORD FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

*Children 4 years of age through 3rd grade are invited to attend Wee Worship, a children’s worship-education program. Children go to Room 113 (downstairs) after the Children’s Message, and should be picked up there directly after worship. Children 3 years of age and younger are invited to the Nursery in Room 208 (across from the Chapel). All children 10 years and older should return to their seats in the Chapel.*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Isaiah 35:1-10  
James 5:7-10

**SERMON**

The Lord Is Coming

Preston Shealy

**\*SONG**

***O Come, O Come, Emmanuel***

**O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.**

***Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.***

**O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer our spirits by thine advent here;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death’s dark shadows put to flight. *Refrain***

**O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind;  
Bid envy, strife, and discord cease; fill the whole world with heaven’s peace. *Refrain***

**PRAYING FOR ALL GOD’S PEOPLE**

*Following each petition, God’s people respond:*

Leader: Loving God,  
People: **Hear our prayer.**

**BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

\*Offering Response

***Thank You, God, for Your Creation***

**Thank you, God, for your creation; Bless, O Lord, these gifts we bring.**

**Thank you, God, for Christ the Savior, your own precious offering.**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Bless, O Lord, these gifts we bring.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.**

*\*Please stand if you are able where indicated by the asterisk.*

**Communion of the People**

*Communion is by “intinction.” The server will give you bread to dip in the cup. Servers disinfect their hands. Please come forward by the inner aisles and return by the outer ones. Gluten free bread is available on the table, and the cup is non-alcoholic. If you cannot come forward, communion will be brought to you.*

**Communion Song**

***Emmanuel***

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.**

**God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel. (repeat)**

Prayer

**\*SONG**

***He Came Down***

**He came down that we may have love (peace; joy)**

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**Hallelujah, forevermore. (repeat)**

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

*\*Please stand if you are able where indicated by the asterisk.*

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***Worship Leader: Alaina Engdahl***

***Greeters: Harold and Marlin Cheyney***

***Wee Worship Teacher: Stephanie Nelson***

***Elder of the Month: Grace Parks***

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***Flowers today are for the glory of God and in honor of Linda Wilton’s birthday.***

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***We extend Christian sympathies to the family and friends of Joanne Sheets, who passed away on December 4, 2016.***

### Prayers for Healing and Strength

**Carolyn Williams**, recovering from knee surgery

**Mark Nicholson**

**Bruce “Smitty” Smith**, recuperating at home

**Suzanne Trombley**, recovering at home

(sister-in-law of Carol Fry)

**Leni Leypoldt**, at home

**David Hall**, cancer (friend of Preston Shealy)

**Gary**, (relative of Becky Metzler)

**Mark Key**, cancer treatment

**John**, recovering from surgery

(Charmaine Hamilton’s brother-in-law)

Gay Hadley’s **daughter**

**Tim McLane**, recovering from falls

(Mikie Bowles’ brother)

**Corey Sander**, receiving chemotherapy

(Pat Nicholson’s granddaughter’s husband)

**Eda Mikolaj**, at home (Heather Mikolaj’s mother)

**Kate Whitmore**, cancer

(Marty Grimm’s daughter)

**Lois Braun**, cancer (Mike McKinney’s sister)

**Jerry Braun**, cancer

(Mike McKinney’s brother-in-law)

**Cody Derby**, (friend of the McFadden family)

**Julie Wall**, at home (Kyme Rennick’s mother)

**Julie DuSablou**, recuperating at home

**Mark Nelson**, for healing, comfort, and peace

### Prayers for Our Special Care List

**Martha Agler**, at home

**Mary Harris**, at home

**Becky Metzler**, at home

**Brita Knapp**, for continued remission

**Norman Knapp**, healing and strength

**Barbara Frautschi**, for continued remission

**Peggy Pasko**, Franklin Woods Nursing Center

**Connie Freeman**, at home

**Mary Ann Byers**, at home

**Please call the Church Office to include someone on this Prayer List.**

*If you would like to receive a visit from the pastor, please call the church office at 614-486-0267 to schedule your visit.*

*If you have particular concerns that you wish to share, please speak to any of the elders serving on Session. They can be identified by their distinctive nametags which say “Elder”.*

## CALENDAR

### Today

#### **3rd Sunday of Advent**

9:00 am Worship: Chapel

10:00 am Classes for all ages

11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary

Session will receive new members following the service

1:45 pm Youth meet at Covenant Presby.

to attend *Living Christmas Trees*

### Monday, December 12

7:00 pm WAM: Chapel

Eagle Board of Review: 300

### Wednesday, December 14

9:30 am Quilters: 111

7:00 pm Webelo 1: 111

Wolf Den: 111

### Thursday, December 15

6:00 pm Preschool Christmas Program:

Sanctuary

6:00 pm Music Team: Chapel

7:30 pm Chancel Choir: Sanctuary

### Friday, December 16

6:00 pm Package Cookies

Tape and Label Boxes

### Saturday, December 17

9:30 am Pack and Assemble Boxes

### Sunday, December 18

#### **4th Sunday of Advent**

9:00 am Worship: Chapel

10:00 am Classes for all ages

11:15 am Worship: Sanctuary

12:30 pm Deliver Christmas Boxes

**STEWARDSHIP IS . . .** Considering the gift of appreciated securities to the work, worship, mission, and ministry of the church!

### We Rejoice and Give Thanks

**Sunday, December 4, 2016**

General Sunday Offering: \$10,432.00

God’s People Gathered: 117

### Advent Devotional ~ available now

Pick up your copy of the Advent Devotionals created by the Boulevard Family for you to enhance your spiritual practices during this holy season.

### Advent Adult Study ~ at 10:00 AM

*The Redemption of Scrooge* shows us how the teachings of Jesus can be found in Dickens’ Christmas classic. This Advent study reinvigorates our spiritual journeys as we look at this familiar story through the lens of faith. Each week there is a video followed by discussion. A new way to look at an old classic!

### Session Will Receive New Members ~ TODAY, December 11<sup>th</sup>

The Session of Boulevard Presbyterian Church will meet today following the 11:15 AM worship service to receive new members! If you would like to know more about becoming a member of Boulevard, please speak to Pastor Preston Shealy on Sunday morning or contact him during the week (614-486-0267 or BoulevardPastor@aol.com).

### Youth Activities ~ TODAY, December 11<sup>th</sup>

We will be attending the production of *Living Christmas Trees* at Grace Polaris Church. Meet at 1:45 PM at Covenant PC. The anticipated return time is 5:00 PM. All are welcome to attend this holiday event, but we do need you to sign up! Please contact Boulevard’s office or Preston (614-428-0267 or BoulevardPastor@aol.com) if you will be going to this event.

### Be sure to order your Poinsettias! ~ TODAY, December 11<sup>th</sup>

The poinsettias will serve as memorials or in honor of loved ones whose names will be printed in the worship bulletins on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> and will beautify our church for the Advent/Christmas season. If you would like to donate a poinsettia, we will accept orders through TODAY. The poinsettias will remain on display throughout both Christmas Eve services, and may be taken home following the 8:00 PM candlelight service.

The cost of each plant will be \$9.00. Envelopes for placing your order are available on the table outside the Chapel.

### Christmas Cookies for Food Boxes Needed

We need lots of cookies! Please mark your home baked cookie donations “Christmas Boxes” and deliver them to the downstairs kitchen. **Cookies need to be delivered to the church by Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.** A big thank you to all of our cookie bakers!

### **Community Concert ~ TODAY, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM**

***An Advent Afternoon of Music.*** The Choir of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church accompanied by an orchestra will perform Advent and Christmas music, with styles ranging from the 15<sup>th</sup> century melody “O Come, O Come Emmanuel” to American composers as well as rhythmic African and Brazilian songs and conclude with a selection from Handel’s *Messiah*. 1559 Roxbury Rd., Columbus. *No admission charge.*

### **Mark Your Calendars!**

You are invited to participate in these rewarding Community Christmas Box activities **this week!**

<b>Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Home Baked Cookies Delivered to Church
<b>Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM</b>	Tape and Label Boxes
<b>Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM</b>	Pack and Assemble Boxes
<b>Sunday, December 18<sup>st</sup> at 12:30 PM</b>	Deliver Boxes

**Each activity will take place in Fellowship Hall.**

### **Worship Services for Christmastide**

#### **Christmas Eve ~ Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 PM – Family Service** – This service will feature a worship experience where the whole family is invited to participate. Bring your family and join us for this service of story and carols!

**8:00 PM – Candlelight Lessons and Carols Service with Communion** – *please note the time change.* Join us for a joyful and intimate candlelight service as we celebrate the birth of Christ. The service will be filled with familiar carols, lessons, and traditions that highlight our Christmas season!

**Christmas Day ~ Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>** – One service at **10:00 AM** – This will be a casual, come-as-you-are service to celebrate the birth of our Savior.

**New Year’s Day ~ Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>** – One service at **10:00 AM** – Come celebrate the beginning of the new year.

### **Amazon Purchases Also Benefit Boulevard Presbyterian Church**

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- ♦ Go to the home page for Boulevard’s website;
- ♦ On the upper left side of the page is **Boulevard Presbyterian Church** “*Reaching out to make Disciples*” Directly below this information you will find the following link;
- ♦ **Support Boulevard Presbyterian Church Shop at smile.amazon.com**
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